



The Sun Light

THE ROTARY CLUB OF GEORGETOWN - SUN CITY
District 5870 TUESDAYS 12 NOON
Cowan Creek Amenity Center, Cool Spring Way
June 4, 2013

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JUNE IS ROTARY FELLOWSHIP MONTH

Rotary Prayer: *Let us pray.
Lord, give us time. Time for patience,
Time for understanding,
Time to remember thoughtful deeds to do,
Time to believe in our fellow men and
Time to perceive the value of being a Rotarian. Amen*

LAST WEEK

Presiding: President Jamie Mattison

Invocation: Ray Bergman

Pledge: Bob Smith

4-Way Test: Bill Harrah

Rotarian Guest: Darrick McGill

Guests: Greg Barber/Lou Gibson
Pat Bender/Don Bender

Today's Programme: Rotary International Matching Grants –
- with President Jamie Mattison

Next Week: June 11 Lou Gibson, Shriners Overview

Future Programmes:

June 18 Dianna Howard, Culinary Heritage Institute

June 25 President's Night

July 2 Club Assembly

July 9 Dan Bonner, Wesleyan Estrella

July 16 pending

July 23 Bob Deffeyes - Bird photography

July 30 Brian Harrison Scott and White Healthcare Foundation

Upcoming Events: June 23 – 26 Rotary Int'l Conference in Lisbon, Portugal
July 2 RYLA in Bastrop
July 7 Summer Fest
July 12 Marble Falls Rotary Fish fry

- 27 Percentage of Guatemala's rural population without access to improved sanitation.
- 48 Percentage of children under five in Guatemala with stunted growth.
- 70 Percentage of children in developing nations infected with more than one type of worm.

President's Night - June 25th 2013

There will be NO regular meeting at noon on the 25th. Instead, we will meet in our regular meeting room at Cowan Creek from 6PM - 9PM

COST: \$15.00 for Rule of 85 + guests

\$ 5.00 for regular members.

THEME: Route 66; 1950's diner

DRESS: Casual (dig out those 1950's outfits)

BYOW: There will be a margarita machine, but you'll have to bring your own wine.

"You don't stop laughing because you get old; you get old because you stop laughing."

Misc. etc.

*Glynn Hatley thanked all those who voted for him in the last election in Sun City and is also happy to still have a dollar left for Happy Bucks bowl after having bought all the votes!!; one of **Harold Bergh's** grandsons was married last week in San Antonio and the flooding didn't stop the proceedings; **Lou Gibson's** youngest granddaughter has graduated from St. Andrew's in Austin and will be attending the University of Richmond; **John Cheoweth** was luckily 15 minutes ahead of the Moore tornado last week when he went to Kansas; **Norm Peters** and **John Skannal** remarked on the moving memorial service in Sun City yesterday; **Carolyn Holloway** noted the Williamson County Museum has opened its WWII exhibit and urged members to go down and have a look; Carolyn also said all the known WWII veterans in this club are on the Wall of Honour; **Glenn Coward** is happy to have a new roof and will be even happier if his A/C keeps working through the summer; **Bill Harrah** told members to not miss "Thoroughly Modern Millie" at the Palace Theater; **Bill Miller** presented his cheque for \$108.00 to the Endowment Fund – it represents the total number of feet his grandson jumped in five track meets; Bill also mentioned that 5 individual members have made donations towards the challenge grant set up by an anonymous member; he noted the challenge is open until October 31st.*

News From the Boardroom:

1) Greg Barber has made application to become a member of our Club. **Lou Gibson** made the motion seconded by **Bill Miller** that Greg be accepted into our membership. The vote of the Board members in favor of this motion was unanimous Greg is scheduled to be inducted into membership on June 11th.

2) **Bill Chapman** requested that our Rotary Club sponsor the Jarrell High School Band's fundraiser here in Sun City. This sponsorship is necessary for the Band to be granted use of the Ballroom by the Community Association. **Lou Gibson** made the motion seconded by **Bob Weimer** that our Club sponsor the Band. The vote of the Board was unanimous in favor of this motion

Bill Chapman indicated that he would invite to our Rotary Club meeting the just recent winners of our club's scholarships along with the students selected to attend the Rotary Youth Leadership Academy (RYLA) this July.

3) President Mattison has reviewed the two applicants for members of the 2013-14 Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International in 2015-16 from Zone 21.. Jamie recommended that our Club cast our votes for Donald Mebus of Arlington, Texas The Board unanimous approved this recommendation.

4) **Bob Weimer** reported on plans for our **Summerfest** be held at the Sun City Ballroom on July 7th .Bob expressed a need for members to come forward with items for the auction. **Doug Lowe** offered storage space for the donated items

5) **Adaire Wolf** reported that the Nemeck's will no longer be catering our weekly Rotary meals after December 31, 2013. Adaire stated that **CJ's Catering** will start serving our meals in January, 2014.

6) **Bill Miller** reported that **15 of our members have not made a contribution to the Rotary Foundation** so far this Rotary year. Happy Bucks will be earmarked for those members in order that we have 100% participation in Foundation giving.

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*While the consumption record for many foods exceeds eight and even ten pounds,
no one has ever been able to eat more than even four pounds of fruitcake.*

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Last Week: by Stephen Brown

Our Club heard a presentation by Erik Stoeckle and Ray Sanchez of the Military Order of World Wars at our last meeting. The Order was formed in 1919 by Gen. Pershing for commissioned officers of the Armed Forces. The purpose of this organization is not political, but rather it is to instill a sense of devotion, duty, patriotism and leadership development. A major emphasis of the MOWW is youth leadership development. Youth are selected (exact criteria unspecified) by various chapters to attend these conferences that are held in several selected locations mainly during the summer months. Here youth are taught leadership, confidence, values clarifications, group interaction skills, fundamentals of a free economy, and the importance of history in being an informed citizen. A video was shown illustrating the essence of the training and experiences these youth receive.

Some questions, however, we left unanswered; e.g., how are the attendees selected, the cost involved, how the money is obtained, is there a connection with ROTC, how are sponsors obtained, and what follow-up studies have been done on the effectiveness of such training. Not enough time was allowed for questions.

Rotary Moment with Lou Gibson

There is something all Rotary members have in common.

We take action.

As community volunteers, we reach out to neighbours in need.

We build, support, and organize.

We save lives.

We work locally and globally.

ODESSA TEXAS RESPONSE:

Recent misinformation about Odessa begs a response. Odessa is a vibrant energetic city with over 100,000 population in West Texas with some of the friendliest people you will ever meet. It is probably best known for its high school football team which is the high school football TV "FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS" series. "The Globe Theatre" which is a replica of Shakespeare Theatre in London has an annual festival with international participation.

Odessa was successful in getting the University of Texas Permian Basin over Midland, Texas which is still a bitter pill for some Midland people. Odessa also has the second largest meteor crater in the US. If you are on Interstate 20 going west stop in for a visit and enjoy real West Texas hospitality. Oh, and those metal things going up and down are known as "pump jacks" pumping oil for gasoline out of a estimated 20% of our nation's oil reserve.

. . . . Malcolm Hensley
Another gentleman from Odessa

The human digestive tract is like the Amtrak line from Seattle to Los Angeles;
transit time is about 30 hours,
and the scenery on the last leg is pretty monotonous.

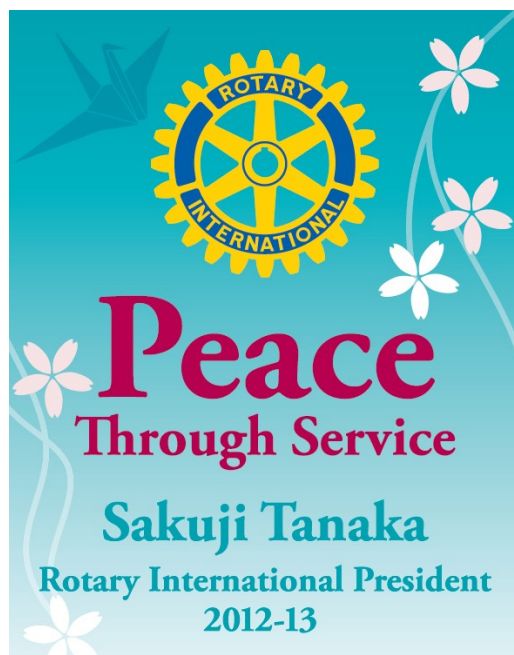
NEWS ON THE POLIO ERADICATION FRONT:

In 2007, 70% of polio victims in Uttar Pradesh (**India**) were Muslim. By mid 2008, the proportion had plummeted to 29% due a Rotary-led initiative that involved Muslim leaders in education these communities about the vaccine's safety.

Political and religious leaders in northern **Nigeria** boycotted the polio vaccine in 2003. Immunization efforts resumed in 2004 after new tests convinced officials of the vaccine's safety. But many Muslim leaders in the region remain at odds with the campaign, and in the crowded metropolis of Kano, deadly strikes against polio workers threaten the country's progress.

Northern Nigeria is the only place in the world where polio cases are increasing.

Polio cases have declined rapidly since 1985, but the fight isn't over. Polio is a crippling and potentially fatal infectious disease, and for as little as **US\$0.60**, a child can be protected against the virus for life. If we don't finish the fight right now, more than 10 million children under the age of five could be paralyzed by polio in the next 40 years.



Tips to improve your writing

Avoid alliteration. Always.

Never use a long word when a diminutive one will do.

Eschew ampersands & abbreviations, etc.

Parenthetical remarks (however relevant) are unnecessary.

Foreign words and phrases are not apropos.

One should never generalize.

Don't be redundant; don't use more words than necessary; it's highly superfluous.

Be more or less specific.

The passive voice is to be avoided.