



# THE SUN LIGHT

THE ROTARY CLUB OF GEORGETOWN - SUN CITY  
District 5870 TUESDAYS 12 NOON  
Cowan Creek Amenity Center, Cool Spring Way  
June 5, 2012

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**\*\*\* JUNE IS ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS MONTH \*\*\***

## **LAST WEEK:**

**Invocation:** Bill Thompson  
**Pledge:** Dick Will  
**4-way test:** Don Mabray

**Members Attending:** \$42  
**Happy Bucks:** \$125.00

**Guest Rotarian:** Buzz Ferweda/Sunrise

**Guest:** Bill Carson/Lou Gibson

## **Last Week:** by **Bob Weimer**

On Tuesday May 29th Georgetown Economic Development Director Mark Thomas made a power point presentation to us explaining that he has been the ED for Georgetown for 9 years. Mark came to Gtown by way of Waco and Midland where he held similar positions. Mark went on to explain the many ways his department entices potential business's to relocate to our city. He attends Conferences in Chicago, California, Arizona and in and around the state of Texas. Mark has received awards for his creative work bringing the Texas Life Sciences Labratories to our city.

A new funding plan was explained and as he stated these funding plans can always lead to many differences of opinions since the new business's are given tax imcentives based on performances that come in as much as a year later. The primary goal though is to bring new jobs, taxes and people to our city.

Mark, listed the many new business's that have come to Georgetown and also talked about a new Retail and Convention Center that will be in the Rivery Center location. Also noted was the Wineries (2) that will be coming to the Square along with, a Thunder Cloud Sub Shop, a Art Center, all to be located in the old Firehouse on 9th and Main St. on the Square.

New recreation opportunities also are coming. The Georgetown Criterion a nationally attended pro-bike race was just held on the streets and roads in and around our city. 4000 people were expected to attend the race weekend.

We thank Mark and his staff for what they do and look forward to Mark updating us in the future.

*My reading of history convinces me that most bad government  
results from too much government.*

*. . . . Thomas Jefferson*

**TO-DAY:** Kelly Barnett is bringing a guest from the Annunciation Maternity Home

**NEXT WEEK:** Harold Bergh – will host a Czech Fest (remember to tell the Nemecs if you are intending to bring a guest)

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**Tuesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>** – RYLA in Bastrop – Kitchen Crew needed for lunch

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**RYLA** (Rotary Youth Leadership Activities)

**Jamie Mattison** asked all those members who are willing to help out on July 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> at the RYLA camp to please fill out the forms she has made available. All we have to do is serve the meals to the kids at RYLA – no cooking involved.

**Future Programmes:**

- June 19 Gordon Bishop – will introduce Thom Sloan, Development Director of the Scott & White Hospital Foundation
- June 26 President's Night
- July 3 NO MEETING
- Aug 28 District Governor's visit

**Membership Moment:**

**Harold Bergh** asked **Norm Peters** to speak for a moment about his experience regarding membership. Norm related the anecdote about a team that recently went to Honduras. One of the team members was a recent dental graduate with a very *macho* demeanor. This fellow was very quite and seemed cold but on the last day his last patient was a small 89 year old woman. After the procedure was completed, the woman tapped him on the shoulder, and pointed up. Norm told the young man, who did not understand, that the old woman was thanking God for him and for removing her pain. The man suddenly turned around, walked off and wasn't seen for ½ hour; he had become totally overwhelmed.

Norm then asked those members present who had ever been elected to office to stand. **Pete Snelson, Don Mabray, and Harold Lawless** all stood and as Norm said, they embody the spirit of Service Above Self.

**News, etc.**

**John Rouse** advised us he will be leaving the club for he is going to transfer to another school in Emory, Texas; he will be missed – Good Luck, John! **Bob Smith** brought a banner from a club in Birmingham, north of Detroit; **Bob Selman** and his wife, **Effie**, are going to Reno this coming weekend for their grandson's graduation; and they have also just celebrated their 53<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary; **Ernestine Brown, Stephen's** wife, has given us a banner from a club in California – which also happens to be **Harold Bergh's** son's club; **Norm Peters'** wife, **Lynda**, will celebrate her birthday this weekend – but they are looking too young to be new great-grandparents! **Dan Barr** is happy to be back home and out of Houston hospital; **Don Bender's** wife is having a birthday; **Glynn Hatley** is looking forward to playing his first game of golf in Sun City today; many members are sad **Linda Roberts** is leaving; **Bob Weimer** is back from a 3,700 mile road trip.

If ignorance is bliss,  
why aren't more people happy?

## Many Thanks to . . . .

**Doug Lowe who has agreed to be our treasurer!**

**Jamie Mattison** also thanked **Ben Hyde, Ron Ferreri, Malcolm Hensley, Byron Calcote, John Chenoweth,** and **Nathan Cabaniss** for their assistance in selecting a treasurer at short notice.

## **RI president**

### **Monthly message June 2012**

#### **My dear brothers and sisters in Rotary,**

June is a time to reflect on the Rotary year that has nearly passed, and to look forward to the one that is soon to begin. We look back at what we have accomplished and measure our progress toward the goals we have set for ourselves. In Rotary, we may pause to reflect, but never to rest on our laurels – for as much as we have achieved, we are always aware of how much there is still to do.

The 2011-12 year has been a time of significant progress. Binota and I have been fortunate to have visited different parts of the Rotary world and seen the many ways that Rotarians everywhere Reach Within to Embrace Humanity.

In South Sudan, we met with Rotarians who are determined to make a difference despite tremendous challenges. The humanitarian problems in that nation are enormous, and begin with the most basic: At the moment, South Sudan lacks a single functional hospital. I am confident that in the coming year, Rotarians around the world will reach out to our newest Rotary country with the support and help it will need.

In Uganda, I was delighted and heartened to discover how many government ministers and officials are Rotarians, and to see them bringing the ideals of Rotary to life in their service. In Kathmandu, I was overwhelmed as countries of South Asia – Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, the Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka – came together to vow to make the region 100 percent literate by 2017.

In Fiji and Vanuatu in the South Pacific, I was moved by Rotarians who are helping to lower child mortality and provide safe housing. In Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, I was delighted by the statement of Sheikh Nahayan Mubarak Al-Nahayan, minister of higher education and scientific research: “We are looking forward eagerly to Rotary starting its first club here.” And in Valdivia, Chile, as close to the South Pole as Binota and I have been, we were moved by Rotarians’ work with children who have mental disabilities.

But most of all, we found our hearts warmed by the welcome we received all over the world – and by the sight of so many Rotarians living the Rotary ideal, and choosing to Reach Within to Embrace Humanity. I thank you for the opportunity to serve as your president, and look forward to working together to build Peace Through Service.

## **Women and Rotary**

Kiwanis club international membership is 26% female.

Lions club international membership is 23% female.

Rotary club worldwide membership is 17% female. (25% in just the USA)

In 1990 there were 20,000 female Rotarians and that number has risen to 209,804 as of February 2012. This Rotary year 6,000 out of 34,301 Rotary clubs have female presidents and 17% of district governors are female.

While these percentages lag behind the medical and legal professions; they are above the percent of female managing partners in the largest 200 law firms.

## **REMEMBER:**

**June 26 (Tues) PRESIDENT'S NIGHT – Cowan Creek Pavilion** (No regular lunch meeting)

**Time: 6:30PM**

**Theme: Fiesta**

**Cost: Members – no cost**

**Rule of 85 & Guests: \$10.00**

### **For those who like puns . . . . .**

I do not enjoy computer jokes. Not one bit.

I changed my iPod name to Titanic. It's syncing now.

When chemists die, they barium.

Jokes about German sausage are the wurst.

I stayed up all night to see where the sun went. Then it dawned on me.

This girl said she recognized me from the vegetarian club, but I'd never met herbivore.

I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I can't put it down.

They told me I had type A blood, but it was a Type-O.

Why were the Indians here first? They had reservations.

Energizer bunny arrested. Charged with battery.

Did you hear about the cross eyed teacher who lost her job because she couldn't control her pupils?

What does a clock do when it's hungry? It goes back four seconds.

Broken pencils are pointless.

England has no kidney bank, but it does have a Liverpool.

I used to be a banker, but then I lost interest.

I got a job at a bakery because I kneaded dough.

Cartoonist found dead in home. Details are sketchy.

I used to think I was indecisive, but now I'm not so sure.

*Congratulations to Queen Elizabeth II  
on the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of her coronation.*