



THE SUN LIGHT

THE ROTARY CLUB OF GEORGETOWN - SUN CITY

District 5870 TUESDAYS 12 NOON

Cowan Creek Amenity Center, Cool Spring Way

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A Government big enough to give you everything you want,
is strong enough to take everything you have.

. . . Thomas Jefferson

Last Week: by Bob Smith

Charles Ray sponsored the program with Robert LeCour, the guest speaker. Mr. LeCour is a member of the Downtown club and he announced his club is going to hold its auction on April 13th and on April 20th they will celebrate their 20th anniversary.

Mr. LeCour is an Assistant Manager of Suddenlink Communications and resides in Georgetown. His program was on Identity Theft as it pertains to the Internet. Anyone using a computer and communicating via email or any means engaged with the Internet is susceptible to a coined word called "phishing" which in computer lingo is equivalent to a sport we know as "fi shing" and pronounced the same.

Mr. LeCour went into much detail as to how an unscrupulous person would send an email called "BAIT" in which he would attempt to obtain personal information such as one's SS number, credit cards or passwords and then using the information to access bank accounts or conduct other illegal activity such as obtaining one's income tax refund. Identity Theft is large and amounts to as much as \$500M per year.

Mr. Le Cour then listed ways one can recognize "phishing" and avoid getting caught up in such schemes. Any email that does not have your name, or reads "urgent", or in any other way looks suspicious should not be responded to. Anyone may contact Suddenlink as they have various measures to prevent Identity Theft.

Invocation: Kelly Barnett
Pledge: Adaire Wolf
4-Way Test: Bob Smith

Visiting Rotarians: Tom Crawford/Downtown
Ray Barron/Downtown

This Week: **Dick Retz** will introduce Joshua Swafford from the Olive Ranch

Next Week: **Bob Weimer** will introduce Joe Austin, the new Head Coach for Southwestern's Football program, and Megan Hardin, Athletic Director

Future Programmes:

March 20	John Rutan
March 27	Bob Smith
April 3	CLUB ASSEMBLY
April 10	John Rouse
April 17	David Stuetelberg

Dates to Remember:

March 20(Tues)	Strategic Plan Progress Report 1:15PM – all welcome
March 24–25	PETS, Dallas–Fort Worth (Presidents Elect)
April 17(Tues)	Strategic Plan Due, Report from Teams
April 28 (Sat.)	District Assembly, Killeen (All officers, committees invited)
April 29 (Sun)	Spring Fling Fundraiser (Sun City Ballroom)
May 6 – 9	International Convention, Bangkok, Thailand
May 19 (Sat.)	District Conference Part I, Killeen (All invited)
June 16 (Sat.)	District Conference Part II, Bastrop (All invited)
June 27 (Wed)	President's Night, Cowan Creek, (time TBA)

Polio Facts & Figures

	Area Number of cases in 2012
Afghanistan	4
India	0
Nigeria	2
Pakistan	11
Non-endemic countries	1
Total worldwide	18

(Data as of 21 February/World Health Organization)

Membership Minute: (Lou Gibson)

There is something all Rotary Club 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, and we work locally and globally.

Misc. etc.

Lou Gibson's wife is celebrating her birthday this week; guest **Tom Crawford** just remembered his wife's birthday is this coming Saturday! **Kelly Barnett** and his son enjoyed a great day fishing yesterday; **Bill Harrah** told us the Assistance League was very grateful for all the help several members provided during their fundraiser last weekend and **John Chenoweth** said the League gave our club kudos in their programme; **Stephen Brown's** wife, Ernestine, is the President the League this year and in her “thank you” note to the club she said she was so very appreciative with the help and will in turn help us with our fundraiser later this year; several members put extra monies into the Happy Bucks basket for PolioPlus; **Norm Peters** has just returned from a skiing trip with his son; **Harold Bergh** was recognized for his acting in The Follies; **George Olive's** grandson is celebrating a birthday; **Gordon Bishop** is pleased to be back; **John Rouse** boasted that his Jarrell Cougar boys are now 32-0.

Jerry Hobbs was inducted into the club by PDG **Bill Bryce** who noted there are now Rotary clubs in 164 countries where any Rotarian will be welcome. Bill reminded us that Service Above Self is our motto – showing an eagerness and willingness for service and the upholding of our standards. As an example he talked about the story of Eleazar in II Maccabees, Chapter 6 in the Aporochrypha who gave his life as a notable example to the young to die willingly and courageously for the honorable and holy laws. Welcome, Jerry!

Don't be Scammed by Cyber Criminals

The Internal Revenue Service receives thousands of reports each year from taxpayers who receive suspicious emails, phone calls, faxes or notices claiming to be from the IRS. Many of these scams fraudulently use the IRS name or logo as a lure to make the communication appear more authentic and enticing. The goal of these scams – known as phishing – is to trick you into revealing your personal and financial information. The scammers can then use your information – like your Social Security number, bank account or credit card numbers – to commit identity theft or steal your money.

Here are five things the IRS wants you to know about phishing scams.

1. The IRS never asks for detailed personal and financial information like PIN numbers, passwords or similar secret access information for credit card, bank or other financial accounts.

2. The IRS does not initiate contact with taxpayers by email to request personal or financial information. If you receive an e-mail from someone claiming to be the IRS or directing you to an IRS site:

- Do not reply to the message.
- Do not open any attachments. Attachments may contain malicious code that will infect your computer.
- Do not click on any links. If you clicked on links in a suspicious e-mail or phishing website and entered confidential information, visit the IRS website and enter the search term 'identity theft' for more information and resources to help.

3. The address of the official IRS website is www.irs.gov. Do not be confused or misled by sites claiming to be the IRS but ending in .com, .net, .org or other designations instead of .gov. If you discover a website that claims to be the IRS but you suspect it is bogus, do not provide any personal information on the suspicious site and report it to the IRS.

4. If you receive a phone call, fax or letter in the mail from an individual claiming to be from the IRS but you suspect they are not an IRS employee, contact the IRS at 1-800-829-1040 to determine if the IRS has a legitimate need to contact you. Report any bogus correspondence. You can forward a suspicious email to phishing@irs.gov.

5. You can help shut down these schemes and prevent others from being victimized. Details on how to report specific types of scams and what to do if you've been victimized are available at www.irs.gov. Click on "phishing" on the home page.

The director of the FBI told an annual gathering of cyber-security professionals last Thursday that the agency needs the private sector to help combat what he believes is becoming **the nation's No. 1 threat**. "We are losing data, we are losing money, we are losing ideas and we are losing innovation," Mueller said at the RSA Conference in San Francisco. "Together we must find a way to stop the bleeding." The dangers posed by organized cyber-crime, rogue hackers and computer breaches backed by foreign governments have become a focus for the FBI.

Counterterrorism is still the agency's top priority, but the agency has retooled to prepare for Internet-based aggressors, Mueller said. Cyber-squads in every FBI field office now monitor for crimes ranging from mortgage and health care fraud to child exploitation and terror recruiting, he said.

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

RYLA is Rotary's leadership training program for young people. RYLA participants can be ages 14-30, but most clubs and districts choose to focus on a narrower age range, such as 14-18 or 19-30. RYLA emphasizes leadership, citizenship, and personal growth, and aims to

- ◆ Demonstrate Rotary's respect and concern for youth
- ◆ Provide an effective training experience for selected youth and potential leaders
- ◆ Encourage leadership of youth by youth
- ◆ Recognize publicly young people who are rendering service to their communities

Santa Anna's Part-time Job

Most Texans know Antonio López de Santa Anna for his career job as the President of Mexico and the Mexican General who slaughtered Texans on March 6, 1836 at The Alamo. Remember the Alamo? We know the story of his defeat at San Jacinto on April 21, 1836, but what did he do after that? After his capture, he was exiled and committed to a horrible punishment — he was forced to live on Staten Island, New York. He shared rooms with an inventor named Thomas Adams. Adams was trying to invent a cheaper and used in carriage tires. No slouch as an inventor himself, Santa Anna suggested that Adams try resin of the Mexican sapodilla tree. Santa Anna got friends in Mexico to ship 2000 pounds of sapodilla tree resin, called "chicle", to Adams. Adams could not make tires of the stuff and was about to throw it away.

But wait! Adams was in a New York drug store when the little girl ahead of him bought a penny's worth of chewing gum. Adams and his son had chewed on chicle in their tire experiments. Maybe he could recover the money he spent by selling the rest of his inventory as chewing gum. The stuff was too tough so he boiled it in water to try to soften it. The chicle changed from very dark brown to grayish-white. He and his son processed the chicle, made it into small pieces, wrapped them in colored tissue paper and put it them in boxes labeled "Adams New York No. 1". The modern chewing gum industry was born! I remember "Adams Black Jack Gum" (a black colored licorice flavored gum), a far cry from the unflavored unsweetened Adams New York No. 1. Of course, the product called "Chiclets" got its name from chicle.



Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

- - Bob Deffeyes

You've been programming too long when:

When you are counting objects, you go "0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,A,B,C,D...".

When asked about a bus schedule, you wonder if it is 16 or 32 bits.

When your wife says "If you don't turn off that darn machine and come to bed, then I am going to divorce you!", and you chastise her for omitting the else clause.

When you are reading a book and look for the space bar to get to the next page.

When you look for your car keys using: "grep keys /dev/pockets"

When after fooling around all day with routers etc, you pick up the phone and start dialing an IP number.

When you get in the elevator and double-press the button for the floor you want.

When not only do you check your email more often than your paper mail, but you remember your {network address} faster than your postal one.

When you go to balance your checkbook and discover that you're doing the math in octal.

When you dream in 256 pallettes of 256 colors.

