



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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Words to Ponder: Both optimists and pessimists contribute to our society.
The optimist invents the aeroplane,
and the pessimist invents the parachute.

Last Week: by Renée Mercier

When **Dick Retz** introduced Georgetown City Manager, Paul Brandenburg, the Rotarians listened with great interest... here is the man who knows what's going to happen in our town ! He didn't disappoint us. The Wisconsin Packer fan and former All American quarterback expressed optimism with a necessary dash of common sense for the future of Georgetown.

The City Manager job is that of policy implementer. A changeable, dynamic work involving roads, the police department, the fire department and all the future planning for the coming years. Brandenburg emphasized that in running a city or an any other challenge communication is key. The first question from the floor was : What is the population of Georgetown ? Answer: 47,400 .

NEWS, ETC: Attendance: 46 members Happy Bucks \$100.00

Some members, notably **Jamie Mattison** and visitor but soon to be member, **Carol Marie Cobb**, mentioned their stays in Africa, one year and three years respectively when they saw the damage polio has made and how very important it is to have the polio shots.

BLESSING: Logan Cummins

PLEDGE: Herman Knodel

4-WAY TEST: Dick Retz

Guests: Don Anthis/Lou Gibson

Murray Peters/Norm Peters

Carol Marie Cobb/Chris Mealy

Visiting Rotarians: Bob Elam/Colchester, VT
Ron Wignall/ Ajijic, Mexico

PAUL HARRIS AWARDS: (correction to last week, thanks to **Bill Miller**)

Multi-Paul Harris Rotarians Tom Minor, Charley Ray and Dick Retz used surplus recognition points to make their wives Lori Minor, Wanda Ray and Susan Retz respectively, Paul Harris award recipients. Each wife received a Paul Harris Plaque, pin and medallion. Also receiving Paul Harris (PH) upgrades were Dick Retz, PH +2, Charles Ray, PH +3, and Dick Will, PH +6.

Today: **Dick Will** is bringing Bobby Rosenbusch who is in charge of the Florence High School Meat Market.

Next Week: **Don Bender** will introduce Mandy Fischer, an audiologist.

Future Programmes:

Today Dick Will
March 15 Don Bender
March 22 Harold Bergh
March 29 Gary Brown
April 5 Stephen Brown
April 12 Meeting at the Boys' and Girls' Club
April 26 Gordon Bishop

Programme Chroniclers:

Today Barb Pekar
March 15 Rich Petro
March 22 Chris Mealy
March 29 Trubee Racioppi
April 5 Mark Ramsey
April 19 Tom Minor
April 26 Dick Retz
April 19 Charley Ray

UPCOMING EVENTS:

March 18-20 Pets (President-elect Training Seminar)
April 12 Rotary meeting @ Boys' and Girls' Club
April 16 District Assembly in Killeen
May 14 Polio Plus Walk-a-thon
May 21-25 RI Convention in New Orleans
June 3-5 District Conference in Fredericksburg
June 4 Foundation Dinner in Fredericksburg
June 22 President's Night

News From the Boardroom

Lou Gibson has presented **Don Arthis** and **Chris Mealy** has presented **Carol Marie Cobb** for membership and both motions were seconded and passed.

Bob Weimer has secured approval from the C.A. to use the Pavilion at Legacy Hills Park for the Walk-a-thon to be held on May 14th. He has also contacted the Boys' and Girls' Club for their support.

Tom Minor advised that a Boy and Girl have been identified from Jarrell to represent us at RYLA and a motion was made by **Lou** and seconded by **Jamie Mattison** that we try to secure a place for four students if space is available. **John Chenoweth** advised he has sent an email to Jarrell re scholarships.

Never Stop Dreaming

Time seldom alters your childhood dislike of the person who convinced you there was no Santa Claus. These debunkers of dreams do a great deal of damage. There's nothing more painful than the hard facts of life exploding in your face.

Age has little to do with accomplishment. As time goes by, you gain knowledge that brings you closer to your goal. Unfortunately, too many people, after a certain period of time, lose faith. Few of us would be so mean as to stick a pin into a child's inflated balloon. Yet we think nothing of deflating someone's ego with such pointed phrases as, "Oh, you couldn't," "You shouldn't," or "You're not qualified." Life only has one purpose when you dream and do. Thousands of children, now alive and healthy, might have died in the past few years had not Dr. Jonas Salk followed to a conclusion his dream of a polio vaccine. With dreamers and their dreams (and that means just about every one of us) it is helpful to have faith in them.

Eddie Cantor

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