



THE SUN LIGHT

THE ROTARY CLUB OF GEORGETOWN - SUN CITY
District 5870 TUESDAYS 12 NOON
Cowan Creek Amenity Center, Cool Spring Way
November 1, 2011

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I contend that for a nation to tax itself into prosperity is like a man standing
in a bucket and trying to lift himself up by the handle.
- - - Winston Churchill

LAST WEEK:

Invocation: Rich Petro
Pledge: Wayne Courney
4-Way Test: Bob Smith

Members Present: 47
Happy Bucks: \$74

Guests:

Marcy Lowe/Doug Lowe
Ernestine Brown/Stephen Brown
Effie Selman/Bob Selman
Marilyn Hyde/Ben Hyde
Joanne Harrah/Bill Harrah
Courtney Powell/Tom Powell
Donna Ferreri/Ron Ferreri
Betty Calcote/Byron Calcote
Zannie Wilcox/Ray Bergman
Sandra Bergh/Harold Bergh

This Week: **Bill Harries** will be introducing Sid Covington, Chairman of the Lone Star Rail District Board. Mr. Covington will talk about the status of the planned passenger rail system (LSTAR) that will stretch from San Antonio to Georgetown.

Next Week: A military history of our members compiled by **David Leas**. David has spent many hours talking to our veterans and their close relatives.
PLAN TO ATTEND THIS SPECIAL MEETING.

Dates to Remember:

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| Nov. 4-6 | Hill Country Arts and Crafts Fair |
| Nov 28 – Dec 2 | Shopping for BWS |
| Dec 7 | Gift wrapping |
| Dec 10 | Gift deliveries |
| Dec 17 | Breakfast With Santa (G'town Community Center) |
| Jan 13, '12 | District Roll of Fame nomination deadline |
| Feb 11, '12 | Foundation Dinner, Lost Pines Resort |
| May 6-9, '12 | R.I. Convention, Bangkok |
| May 16 – June 16, '12 | GSE Team here from Australia |
| May - June | District Conference |

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November is Rotary Foundation Month

Future Programmes:

Nov 15 Renée Mercier
Nov 22 Jamie Mattison – final discussion of the Club Vision
Nov 29 Bill Miller

Last Week: . . . was a special meeting which began with **Jeanette Nemec** in a lovely dirndl singing some alpine songs accompanied by **Harold Bergh** on his accordion. **Stephen Brown**, who had organized this entertainment, called **Richard Nemec** to the front and we learned a bit of background about our super caterers. Richard and Jeanette (née Schwertner – a well known Central Texas name) have been together since they were teenagers and now have two sons and a daughter – and five grandchildren. They have been catering together for several years now and – thank goodness – are not yet thinking too hard about retiring.

Carolyn Holloway told a surprised membership that there is indeed olive oil produced in Central Texas and she gave a bottle to the member who had made the largest donation to Happy Bucks today – **Alex Munson**.

Next weekend is the **Hill Country Arts & Crafts Fair** and **all members are encouraged to sign up** to help during the weekend by **Bill Miller**. This is an important event for our club as a large percentage of our funds are derived from the Fair. Bill also asked members give out fliers to businesses to help advertise the event. Both **Rich Petro** and **Tom Minor** endorsed Bill's plea.

Various members have been celebrating birthdays, among them **Bob Smith**, **Byron Calcote**, **Bill Harrah**, **Ray Bergman**, and others whose names your editor has forgotten! **Norm Peters** was proud to announce he and Lynda will be great-grandparents soon! Wow!

Carolyn Holloway presented **Norm Peters** with a cheque for \$1,500 for MEDICO. The funds consisted of \$1,00 from our account at Chisholm Trail, and \$500 from the club.

Handouts – homework – were given to everyone by **Jamie Mattison** and **Doug Lowe** with the hope members will read them and offer constructive criticism. This is an important follow-up to their efforts regarding our club's vision, priorities, goals, focus, and message. All members should join in this effort since it is OUR club and working on this is part of being a Rotarian.

If at first you don't succeed, then skydiving just may not be your "thing".

Mercy Ships Partnership

Forming the third strategic partnership under the [Future Vision Plan](#), The Rotary Foundation is partnering with [Mercy Ships](#), a global charity that uses hospital ships to deliver free, world-class health care and assistance in capacity building and sustainable development to developing countries. The Foundation will offer packaged global grants for Rotary clubs and districts to assemble vocational training teams of medical professionals, who will perform or assist in life-changing surgeries and work to enhance the skills of local health care professionals.

PolioPlus info

When Rotary launched PolioPlus in 1985, the “plus” signaled the belief that the polio eradication effort would increase immunizations against five other diseases prevalent in children: measles, tuberculosis, diphtheria, whooping cough, and tetanus. As time went on, the list of benefits grew.

Polio immunization campaigns created an avenue for other lifesaving health interventions, such as the distribution of vitamin A supplements. New equipment for transporting and storing vaccines made it easier to combat infectious diseases in developing areas.

The enormous network of laboratories and health clinics charged with identifying new cases of polio began to monitor the spread of other viruses as well. And the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, which Rotary helped create, rose to international prominence as a model for public-private partnerships to address world health issues.

The “plus” in PolioPlus means that Rotarians are doing more than stopping the spread of polio in the last four countries in which it is endemic; they also are building a legacy of infrastructure and partnerships that will support the fight against infectious disease long after polio is gone.

The cold chain

Transporting vaccines to developing areas is no easy task. From the time they leave the manufacturer until they reach recipients, vaccines must be kept between 2 and 8 degrees Celsius (though some may be frozen at -15 to -25 degrees). Variances of even a few degrees could spoil *an entire shipment*, leaving children without the protection they need.

The “cold chain” created to distribute polio vaccine has been used to transport other vaccines such as measles, tetanus, and diphtheria. An estimated one-third of the cold chain capacity in sub-Saharan Africa was implemented to support polio eradication.

New email scams target Rotarians

Rotary International News

Rotary International has received numerous complaints of email scams targeting Rotarians. Please be aware of the following scams:

An email scam targeting Rotarians and Rotaractors claims the recipient has won hundreds of thousands of euros through an international promotional program conducted by the “Euro-Millones Lottery”. Attached to the e-mail is a PDF letter signed by “Luis Alberto, Vice President” with a photo of Past RI President Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar.

An email scam with the subject line “Dear Award Beneficiary!!!” has targeted Rotarians claiming the recipient has won US\$500,000 and two HP laptops from RI. The email asks for contact information and is signed by “Mrs. Sarah Olic, Programme Co-ordinator, Rotary International”.

Rotary International does not solicit funds through e-mail, nor does it ask that personal information be updated by e-mail or other electronic means. RI encourages Rotarians and Rotary clubs to avoid becoming victims of such scams by deleting any e-mail that appears suspicious.

Progress for Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge for polio eradication

As of 15 September, Rotarians have [raised about \\$190 million](#) for Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge. These contributions will help Rotary raise \$200 million to match \$355 million in challenge grants received from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

The resulting \$555 million will directly support immunization campaigns in developing countries, where polio continues to infect and paralyze children, robbing them of their futures and compounding the hardships faced by their families.

Some fishing terms

Ten common fishing terms explained

Catch and Release - A conservation motion that happens most often right before the local Fish and Game officer pulls over a boat that has caught over it's limit.

Hook - (1) A curved piece of metal used to catch fish. (2) A clever advertisement to entice a fisherman to spend his live savings on a new rod and reel. (3) The punch administered by said fisherman's wife after he spends their life savings (see also, Right Hook, Left Hook).

Line - Something you give your co-workers when they ask on Monday how your fishing went the past weekend.

Lure - An object that is semi-enticing to fish, but will drive an angler into such a frenzy that he will charge his credit card to the limit before exiting the tackle shop.

Reel - A weighted object that causes a rod to sink quickly when dropped overboard.

Rod - An attractively painted length of fiberglass that keeps an angler from ever getting too close to a fish.

School - A grouping in which fish are taught to avoid your \$29.99 lures and hold out for spam instead.

Tackle - What your last catch did to you as you reeled him in, but just before he wrestled free and jumped back overboard.

Tackle Box - A box shaped alarmingly like your comprehensive first aid kit. Only a tackle box contains many sharp objects, so that when you reach in the wrong box blindly to get a Band Aid, you soon find that you need more than one.

Test - (1) The amount of strength a fishing line affords an angler when fighting fish in a specific weight range. (2) A measure of your creativity in blaming "that darn line" for once again losing the fish.