



# THE SUN LIGHT

THE ROTARY CLUB OF GEORGETOWN - SUN CITY  
District 5870 TUESDAYS 12 NOON  
Cowan Creek Amenity Center, Cool Spring Way  
September 14, 2010

## Thought to Ponder:

Education is an admirable thing, but it is well to remember from time to time that nothing that is worth knowing can be taught. Oscar Wilde

## PRESIDING ORDER:

President: Tom Minor  
Prayer: Al Cummins  
Pledge: Nathan Cabaniss  
4 Way Test: Harold Bergh

ATTENDANCE: 36 Members

## Last Week: by **Bob Smith** \*\*

**Charley Ray** introduced our speaker, Bill Pohl, a real estate broker in Austin. Young Pohl came to Austin in 1951 aged 6, attended Austin public schools and graduated Austin High School in 1964.

Mr. Pohl attended SMU and later transferred to UT and graduated in 1972 with a degree in business. He worked as a real estate salesman for one year while studying to be a real estate broker and in 1973 Mr. Pohl opened his own estate company.

He bought and sold land and also developed real estate such as the Lakeline Mall. His work over the years was extensive whereby borrowing capital, buying land, developing real estate and selling these enterprises became a full time job.

Mr. Pohl was a student of history: many years ago an agent buying real estate was actually purchasing by Barter Note. After many years, a debt system was established. Later on, Alexander Hamilton saved the business world by setting up a tax/interest system and bank/debt for borrowing money. At the beginning, bank would own the real estate. Between 1960 and 1970 Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac were formed and then banks could sell their real estate holdings to these organizations. Many developments in America were picked up by Europeans and were successful there.

The problem in the real estate market today is the result of low down payments, low interest rates, ease of borrowing, and availability of homes. When the bubble burst, foreclosures resulted.

\*\* The programme was so extensive that this report is condensed as much as possible while still providing our Rotary Club and the speaker, the credit due.

Today's Programme: **John Rouse** will present a programme discussing the Jarrell ISD

Next Week: There will be new member biographies by Gene Perry and David Stuetelberg.

NOTE: A new District 5870 website has been launched and the url for the website is

[www.rotarydistrict5870.org](http://www.rotarydistrict5870.org)

Please bookmark this page and visit it regularly for there is much interesting information.

### **Dates to Remember:**

- Oct 8-10: Bi-district Friendship Conference with District 4130 (Mexico) in Corpus Christi at the Omni Hotel  
(Note: there will special programmes for spouses: a golf tournament; featured speakers; grant workshops; and a gala diner)
- Oct 26: Anniversary dinner
- Nov 5-7: Arts and Crafts Fair
- Nov 16: Meeting and social at E.C. Deaton's home for Breakfast with Santa (No mtg at CC)
- Dec 11: Breakfast With Santa

### **Celebrations, News etc:** Happy Bucks: \$43.00

Members are reminded that all the money collected in the Happy Bucks basket goes to the Rotary Foundation.

At the October 5 meeting, (3 weeks from today) there will be an Octoberfest luncheon and guests are invited. **BUT** please let Adaire know how many you are bringing so NEMEC can prepare enough food.

**Bob Selman** celebrated his 72<sup>nd</sup> birthday last Friday; **Jamie Mattison** was pleased to be home all weekend with her family; several members were happy to have the rain; **Lou Gibson** said, "God Bless America which was echoed by a number of others; and **John Rouse** was pleased about the Jarrell Cougars' first win.

### **Future Programmes:**

- Sept 21 New member bio's
- Sept 28 **RUTH ALLISON, DG 5870**
- Oct 5 Bill Bryce (Membership)
- Oct 12 Jamie Mattison
- Oct 19 Gene Perry
- Oct 26 ANNIVERSARY DINNER
- Nov 2 John Rutan
- Nov 9 Special Veterans' Day Programme
- Nov 16 Mtg and Social at E.C. Deaton's home

### **Programme Chroniclers:**

- Today Bob Deffeyes
- Sept 21 Bob Derse
- Sept 28 Harold Bergh
- Oct 5 Gary Brown
- Oct 12 Ron Ferreri
- Oct 19 Lou Gibson
- Nov 2 Bill Harrah
- Nov 9 E.C. Deaton

### **RIP DEAN CLEVELAND** (By **Bob Weimer**)

Dean was a active community supporter. While he lived in California Dean met and became friends with Randy Sparks of the Christy Minstrels fame. Dean and Randy did benefi t work together up and down California.

I met Dean in early 2004 while I was on the the Board of the Palace Theatre. We got to talking about how to promote the theatre and the city of Georgetown. Dean said he would call his friend Randy Sparks of the Christy Minstrels to ask if the Minstrels would be willing to come to our city and our theatre and do a concert.

Long story short, Dean's and Carolyn's generosity brought the Minstrels to the Theatre and we had 3 three sold-out shows that benefited our cities restaurants, shops on the Square and most of all the Palace Theatre.

Dean and Carolyn were, and are, humble residents of Sun City and quietly support many efforts in Sun City and in our wonderful city of Georgetown.

Dean, a Paul Harris fellow, was a proud Rotarian and a personal mentor to this writer. He will be missed.



**FYI**      **The Object of Rotary**

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST: The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND: High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to service society;

THIRD: The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH: The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

