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FRI. JAN. 19, 2018

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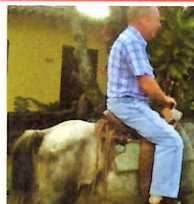
### ROTARIAN of the WEEK

Tom  
Plumb



### SPEAKER

Tom Plumb himself  
**TOPIC**  
 Hands to Honduras  
 update



### NEXT WEEK'S ROTARIAN

Club Assembly

### REMINDERS & NOTICES

Did you know that in another year almost  
 1/5 of our members will be over 80? (And  
 none will be under 30)

### LAST WEEK

**Kimberly** Dollar talked to us about the concerns of the SPI Property Owners Who Care organization, what they are doing and hope to achieve and the impact Space-X, LNG, a cruise ship port and more, will have on the RGV.



### CLUB NEWS

**First Publication:** Tom Armstrong has been proposed for membership. If anyone know of any impediment to his joining our club, please notify the president as soon as possible.

**We** will be having our usual wine raffle at the Fish Fry on Feb. 3...Last year we made about a grand on it. We need to do it again. If you did not bring your two bottles today, you can still do it next Friday, January 26. Thank you for all you do for Rotary and our Club. - Kent

**WOWE** (Winter Outdoor & Wildlife Expo) will be held for five days, Jan. 23-27, at the Birding Center on the island. Parking may be an issue on 26 & 27. If you can volunteer to help, speak to Cristin Howard ASAP.

**Youth** services reports that we will be sending 4 students to Ryla (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) Feb. 2,3,4, Camp Zephyr, Lake Corpus Cristi. We wish them well and look forward to a report later.

**Today** we present and welcome our students of the month for December and January, Jarrod Galvan and Charisma Valdez, respectively. Congratulations to two outstanding students.

**The Jan. Social** was held at Bob's Arroyo City home last Saturday - Boat rides and hot chili (Photos, page 2)

### PICTURE of the WEEK



The true meaning of wisdom & Patience

### PROGRAM AND EVENTS CALENDAR

#### JANUARY

26 - Club Assembly

#### FEBRUARY

2 - Bettina Tolin

3 - Annual Fish/Shrimp Fry, 11am-2pm

9 - Jeff Hughes

12 - **Board Mtg., Noon, Marcello's**

16 - Sherman Lee

19 - **Flags Out, President's Day**

22 - Feb. Social (TBA)

23 - Round Table

### CELEBRATIONS

#### ANNIVERSARIES

None

#### BIRTHDAYS

13 - Angel Ramirez

Today, 1946 - Dolly Rebecca Parton

Country singer, Sevierville, TN

(9 to 5 - Jolene - I Will Always Love You -

Coat of Many Colors)



### THOUGHT for the DAY:

**No** matter how hard you try, you can't baptize cats.





## JOKE of the WEEK:

A couple purchased an old home in Minnesota from two elderly sisters. Winter was fast approaching and the wife was concerned about the house's lack of insulation. "If they could live here all those years, so can we!" her husband declared. Then in January the temperature plunged below zero, and they woke up to find their walls covered with frost, the husband called the sisters to ask how they had kept the house warm. After a rather brief conversation, he hung up. "For the past 30 years," he muttered, "they've gone to south Texas for the winter."



## QUOTE for the DAY:

**"If we train our youth properly, we need not have any fear as to the future of the world."**



Percy Hodgson, Rotary Club of Pawtucket, RI.

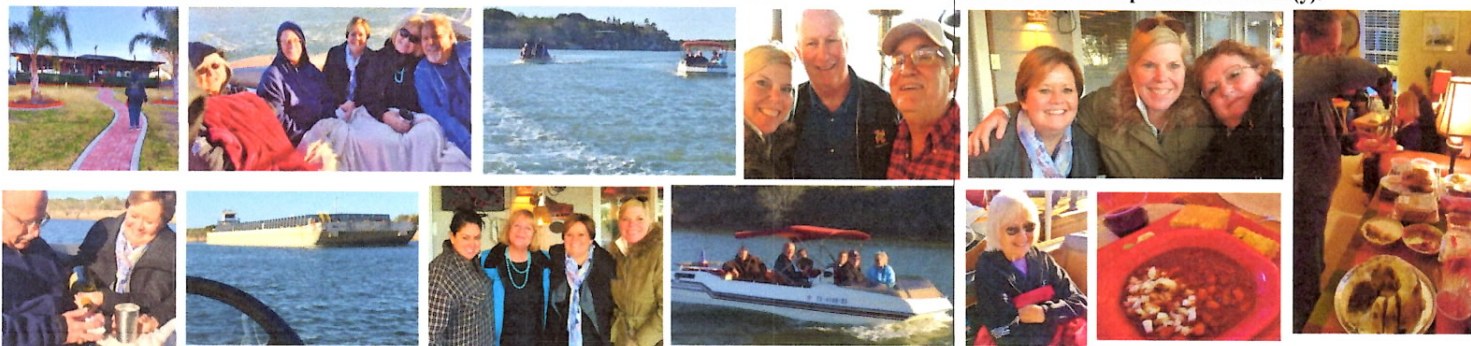
## STUFF YOU NEED TO KNOW

**January 19, 1929:** Acadia National Park, halfway up the "down East" Maine coast, was officially named. It was first established as Sieur de Monts National Monument in July, 1916 by President Woodrow Wilson, then changed to Lafayette National Park in February, 1919 and became the first National Park east of the Mississippi. It's 49,052 acres encompass most of Mt. Desert Island, the Gouldsboro peninsula and several small coastal islands. Bar Harbor (pronounced "Bah Hahba") is the nearest city just north of the park entrance. Cadillac Mountain is its highest point. A popular attraction is Thunder Hole, where waves crash into a recess in the rocky shore with a sound like thunder. Camping, fishing and hiking the woodlands, rocky coastline and glacier scoured mountains are the most popular activities for the roughly 2.5 million annual visitors. Most first time visitors opt to drive the 27 mile Park Loop Road which can take up to 3 plus hours in the peak summer season. The area is just east of Maine's lobster capital, Rockland, and famed for the last sardine (herring) cannery in the east. If you're looking for something really different, put Acadia on your bucket list. (My late cousin, David Crockett Ayers) operated a campground, (Mainayr) in Steuben, ME., adjacent to the park, for over almost 60 years. His family still keeps it running 10 months a year. A lot of my early summers were spent "Down East" which really means "further up north." - Ed)



Our annual Xmas party last month was held at Bob White's Arroyo City home with lots of good food, Xmas cheer and Ebbie demonstrating exercises on the floor.

Our Jan. social was also held at Bob's home last Saturday, with more great food and boat trips on the Arroyo. The food and the boat trips were both chilli(y).



**Thanks Bob, for hosting us twice in two months....what time do you want us to arrive next month? :)**

## USELESS FACT OF THE DAY:

**You burn more calories sleeping than you do watching TV.**

(So...if you fall asleep watching TV, will you lose weight faster?)



## HOW ROTARIANS ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE

**"My gifts build goodwill and understanding among countries"** says Toni Polsterer, Rotary Club of Wien-Nordost, Austria. He believes the Rotary Foundation's greatest strength is its ability to forge international connections to improve lives. Polsterer serves on the executive council of Intercountry Committees worldwide, a network of 250 groups, each made up of clubs and districts from two or more countries. Group members work together to build goodwill and plan projects, particularly those that support peace and conflict resolution. In early 2016, Polsterer worked with the intercountry committees to organize a contest for global grant projects focused on peace and conflict resolution, offering a \$5,000 prize to each of the two winners: a vocational training team of women peacebuilders, and a music therapy program for young people affected by conflict. A member of Rotary clubs in Vienna and Moscow in the 1980s, and later governor of a diverse multinational district during the heated ethnic conflict in the former Yugoslavia, Polsterer has seen firsthand how Rotary can bring people together. "Sometimes the best peace projects don't focus on the conflict itself but rather initiate communication and cooperation between two parties," he has said. "Experience in our district has shown that intercountry meetings and projects not only lead to better understanding between Rotarians but can also act as a catalyst for clubs within a country with a longstanding history of internal conflict."