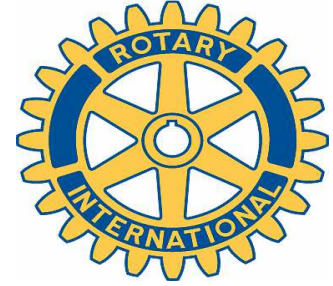


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DEL ROTARIO

News of the Rotary Club of Del Rio, Texas



Meeting each Tuesday at the Ramada Inn 12:00 noon

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LOCATIONS

IF YOU MISS OUR TUESDAY MEETING YOU CAN MAKE UP ON WEDNESDAYS IN EAGLE PASS, THURSDAY IN BRACKETVILLE, THURSDAY IN ACUNA, OR MONDAY IN UVALDE.

ON THE SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH THE CLUB BOARD MEETS AT THE RAMADA INN AT NOON. ON THE THIRD THURSDAY THERE IS A MEETING OF THE ROTARY HOUSING BOARD AT ROTARY HOUSING MEETING ROOM.

THERE IS REALLY NO REASON TO NOT HAVE 100% ATTENDANCE.

FOUR WAY TEST THINGS WE THINK, SAY AND DO

- 1. Is it the truth?*
- 2. Is it fair to all concerned?*
- 3. Will it build good will and better friendships?*
- 4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?*

Rotary International

President: William B. Boyd
District Governor: Bruce Flohr
Assistant Governor Fred Bowers
Del Rio Rotary Club

President: Mike DeBruhl
President Elect: Tony Hernandez
Secretary: Jan Clayton

Treasurer: Terry Fernandez
Past President: Gilbert Mercado
Directors: Alan Cox, Emily Cooper,
Deborah Draper, Brenda Hunter,
Carol Lee, Rey Sanchez
Sgt-at-Arms: Kurt Lemp

Dr. Dave Palmer gave a very complete summary of the program "Service Corp Of Retired Executives. A non-profit program to aid new and existing small businesses. Anyone interested in going forward with this program can get more information from www.sanantonioscore.org. If interested and you want to go further with the worthy endeavor, let your president or some board member know your thoughts. We could be a part of a worthy project.



VALENTINE PARTY

Our valentine Day Party will be held on the evening of February 13th at the Ramada. If the Christmas Party can be any indication of the fun we can have, this should be a great time for all. Next meeting we will pass around a sign up sheet. If you can't make the meeting, contact Lee Schwertfeger or some board member and let them know you are coming to the party. Cocktail time will start at 6:30 with a get together. There will be fine dining, music and dancing. Try to make it!!! You'll have fun.

SGT-AT-ARMS

FEBRUARY REPORT

MEMBERS BIRTHDAYS

- 12 BRENDA HUNTER
- 17 MIKE COPLAN
- 18 JOHN SONTAG
- 21 DEBORAH DRAPER

PARTNERS BIRTHDAYS

- 01 BILL COOPER
- 01 CONCHITA SAN MIGUEL
- 11 JEAN FAGAN
- 12 ELAINE KEMP
- 17 LILY HERNANDEZ
- 24 SANDRA ARRANAGA

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 17 JEFF & RAMONA MAHL 33
- 17 GERALD & JANIS WILSON 46
- 20 ARMANDO & SUSIE RIOJAS 15
- 22 IRMA&EDUARDO MONTEMAYOR 26
- 23 FREDD & PAT BOWERS 33

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

- 04 CHESTER RUTIGLIANO 32yr.
- 09 LARRY LINDENSCHMIDT 19YRS

ATTENDANCE

Missed meeting

Jan Clayton, Alan Cox, Mike DeBruhl, Deborah Draper, Jim Fagan, Todd Felton, George Fenimore, Otila Gonzalez, Claudia Guerra, Alida Helgerman, Jack Houghton, Kurt Lemp, Gerardo Mares, Amanda Mossman, Alberto Munquia, Jose Palafox, John Plumb, Jennifer Ramage, Bianca Rocha, Alma Salinas, Ed Sanchez, Garry Stehle, Susan Taylor.

64% Attendance

ROTARY MOMENT

One of Rotary's

distinctive characteristics is that, with the exception of RI directors, who serve two-year terms, and Rotary Foundation trustees with four-year terms, the entire leadership in the organization changes every 1 July. It happens with officers in the smallest club all the way to the Rotary International president. Imagine how a multinational business with 31,000 branches and 1.2 million associates could function if each executive, each branch manager, were to turn over every year.

Yet it works effectively in Rotary—and has done so for over 100 years. Indeed, this annual change demands that Rotary have a continual supply of good leaders to keep the Rotary wheel rolling; otherwise the entire machine would fail.

The continuity called for in long-term strategic planning is maintained, the counsel of past officers is there when advice is needed, but the new crop of leaders brings vitality, fresh ideas, and enthusiasm to the organization and its service mission. IT WORKS.

From "100 Years of Rotary"

WHY?

Have you wondered why you do the things you do in the name of Rotary? That is a question I asked Baye Wilson when he built the doors and grill work for our 24' BBQ pit at Rotary Park. Under \$600.00 total labor and material. Although he, a Lion, made less than \$1.00 per hour for the labor he put into the project, he replied that it is all worth it to see the look on kids faces that are helped by the Lion's Club. Can you imagine the gratification you would feel if you could see the look on the face of each person that our club has helped in any way? Then we could better understand why we do what we do.

Del Rotario

In 1998, under the presidency of Jim Runyan, I took on the duties of Executive Secretary of our club. It changed my life forever. I had to become much more organized in everything I did. In 2000, I became a member of the Del Rio Rotary Club. More changes. In 2002, with the passing of David Trent, I took on the duty of the Del Rotario, our bulletin. At first this wasn't too hard because I used the format that David had used for years. Deborah Draper changed the format for a period of time and I had to develop the format we now use. Still more change. Now we are open for more changes. I would like to have an open forum for any thing that any Rotarian wants to have published in the Del Rotario. Just email me anything you have to say.

From the article about Rotary Moments, we can see that Rotary is an ever changing entity. New leadership every year. What is coming next is anybody's guess. Our only guide is our constitution and by laws.

The greatest change Rotary has made in me, although personal, is that, rather than a Saturday night bath, I now have a Thursday morning shower.