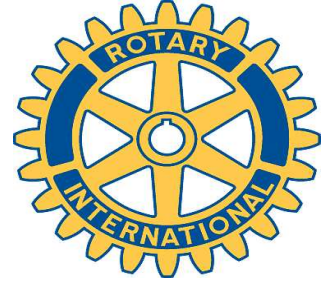


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News of the Rotary Club of Del Rio, Texas



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% ADDENDANCE.

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

JUNE

We've gotten to the last month of our year. Have we done all that we planned to do this year or are we behind where we want to be? As a club we have accomplished almost all we set out to do. We may be a few dollars down on our donations to the **Rotary Foundation**, but we are close. We've set our goals for next year at \$100 per member.

We have funded most projects that we budgeted for. Although we dropped the book cover project, we picked up the **Dictionary Project**. We

have gone back a little on our **Feed the Children** project because of the failure to find someone to get involved the way **Luis DeAnda** handled things. "By the way, **Luis is starting physical therapy soon and seems to be getting better.**"

We did extra good for our people at the **Rotary Housing**, giving them both gift Certificates and food baskets. We hosted **Sylva**, a joy to all, sent kids to **RYLA**, sponsored **Together We Can, Operation Graduation, Little League Rota-ract, Crippled Children** and our **Park**. The biggest Project was the **\$20,500.00** in **Scholarships** we gave away this year.

RODEO

Our last meeting was held June 6th at the Rotary Housing meeting room. These Rodeo meetings are always well attended. Everything seems to be falling in place, however it's not falling,

but accomplished with hard work by a very few. The time is drawing near when every Rotarian will be called upon to help make this Rodeo better than last year's and setting the groundwork to make it better each year. Keep in mind that this is the major fundraiser that allows us the privilege of having all the varied Projects we care about. It is with pride that we do for others who are in need of our services.

ATTENDANCE

Missed meeting

Tocho Arranaga, Ruben Cisneros, Emily Cooper, Mike Coplan, Fred Delgado, Jay Dobbins, Todd Felton, George Fenimore, Otila Gonzalez, Alida Helgerman, Tony Hernandez, Danielle Hill, Gerardo Mares, Abner Martinez, Maria Martinez, Irma Montemayor, Miriam Quiz, Bianca Rocha Del Rio, Frances Rodriguez, Joe San Miguel, Ed Sanchez, Bill Sontag,

61% ATTENDANCE

SGT-AT-ARMS

June

MEMBERS BIRTHDAYS

18	Val Cadena Jr	53
16	Hugh Williams	82

PARTNERS BIRTHDAYS

23	Ana Maria Delgado
17	Sylvia Lindenschmidt
7	Mona Mahl
21	Mary Helen Mariner
30	Monty Stidham

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

10	Bob & Judith Bishop	40
4	Val Jr & Susan Cadena	24
7	Val & Flo Cadena	54
16	Hector & Fannybelle	16
9	Joe & Conchita San Miguel	39
14	Hugh & Julie Williams	61

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

2	Richard Berain	2
15	Ruben Cisneros	3
18	Alan Cox	5
30	Fred Delgado	20
16	Raul Dominguez	37
13	Jack Houghton	1
30	Rey Sanchez	6
20	Cheryl Stidham	1

ROTARY MOMENT

Polio had not disappeared. It continued to fester in less-developed countries, lurking where health infrastructures reached few newborns. In 1969, the same time as the first person walked on the Moon, 60 million children were born without protection from polio. Each hour of the day and night, polio struck 30 more children, condemning three of them to death while most of the remainder would suffer lifelong disability and disfigurement.

Rotary's involvement in polio immunization was an evolutionary, rather than a revolutionary, process. In the spring of 1972, Charles Rowlands, governor of Pennsylvania's District 730, and his successor, Niles Norman, attended the Rotary Club of Oakland, a section of Pittsburgh. Vocational Service talks have long been a tradition in Rotary, and on that day, it was the turn of the incoming club president, Dr. Robert Hingson, to tell the club about his career. Hingson had invented a "peace gun," and he told the club how it could be loaded with multiple doses of a vaccine and then used to immunize large numbers of people infinitely faster than the traditional syringe method. The World Health Organization had successfully used his gun in its mass immunization against smallpox, the only disease ever to be eradicated worldwide. Norman was so impressed with Hingson's device that he and Rowlands discussed how the district could partner with Hingson in some meaningful project during Norman's gubernatorial term. Less than a year later, The Rotarian reported: "The Rotarians of District 730, in partnership with Guatemalan Rotarians and their health ministry, plan to inoculate one million children in May and June 1973 and February 1974." Pennsylvania Rotarians had raised the money; Guatemala Rotarians had mobilized the communities.

"Two dear children—Luis Fermin of Peru and Mum Chanty of Cambodia—represent the last cases of polio in their regions of the world. They symbolize our historic victories over polio. One of my fondest memories of

Rotary was giving precious polio vaccine to small children. ... In my mind, the good old days are today, thanks to the incredible achievements of PolioPlus."

Long before anyone ever used the term "PolioPlus," here was the prototype of a PolioPlus National Immunization Day (NID).

Dr. Albert Sabin was a strong proponent of mass immunization against polio. He saw its effectiveness in the Soviet Union, Eastern Europe, and Cuba. Yet most public health leaders preferred a more gradual approach that addressed several vaccine-preventable diseases simultaneously through routine immunization programs that could be sustained. They did not readily accept "vertical programs," such as mass immunization against polio.

Sabin lived in Cincinnati, Ohio, USA, where he was an honorary member of the Rotary club. He often spoke to clubs and district conferences and in 1980 was invited to address the Rotary International Convention in Chicago. He ended his speech with the challenge for Rotary to become involved in mass immunization against polio.

The Chicago convention—indeed, the entire 1979-80 year—was a special occasion. It was Rotary's 75th anniversary, and the RI Board had for several years been discussing how they could launch an extraordinary mission to commemorate this milestone.

The efforts of three consecutive RI presidents led to the creation of the 3-H program, which eventually grew into PolioPlus. W. Jack Davis of Bermuda, who assumed the presidency in July 1977, suggested that the 75th anniversary planning committee consider a program linked to the United Nations International Year of the Child, in 1979. Davis had spoken at the District 730 Conference in Pennsylvania in 1973, immediately following the Guatemala NID, and vividly remembered Dr. Hingson. Davis invited Hingson to during which the doctor demonstrated his peace gun and challenged RI to hold an NID on each continent during the an RI Board meeting, International Year of the Child.