

# Del Rotario

The voice of the Del Rio Rotary Club



Rotary Club  
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## Programs

Our program for the first of December was a presentation by Jim Butterworth and the desirability and necessity of genealogy.

It would seem that the future is safe with the availability of the computer and the ease of data input, but what about the past?

Jim asked "What do you know about your ancestry"? Although there is much work and concentration involved, the information is out there and can be found.

He told of a program at the library that is about ten times as strong as the program you can subscribe to and it is free. He strongly suggested that you avail yourself of this opportunity.

How many of us have wondered about our ancestors? Who they are? From where did they

migrate? Who might possibly be our kin?

Pat Bowers has a brother that delved deeply into genealogy. To his utter amazement, he found that his wife's lineage came from the same locale in Europe that was the start of his ancestry. To meet up in Houston, Texas was indeed a coincidence.

You never know what you will find until you look!

Maybe that is why I have never looked too deeply.

Through the efforts of a cousin, I can state that the Bowers clan came from the Tennessee area. Probably taught Dan'l Boone how to kill a bear.



Al Padilla with President Najla Weathersbee. Al is our newest member to have been inducted into our Club.

We also have the reinstatement of a former Rotarian. Rev. Paul DeMotte is being installed as a former Rotarian from the Victoria, Texas Rotary Club. He has been the guest of Abner Martinez for several meetings.

Welcome Paul

## Of Special Interest

We passed out Thanksgiving baskets to the tenants of Rotary Village on the Saturday before Thanksgiving Day. The tenants were very grateful for the gifts, and will also be appreciative when we pass out gift cards before Christmas. As of the present time we only have three members who have asked to be billed for a \$25.00 gift card. Don't be left out in this function. If you don't want to give a full gift, you are always welcome to just make a smaller donation. Every little bit helps.

## Del Rio Rotary

[www.delriorotary.com](http://www.delriorotary.com)

President.....*Najla Weathersbee*

President-Elect.....*David Ortiz*

Secretary.....*Deborah Draper*

Treasurer.....*Cheryl Johnson*

Past Pres .....*Kurt Lemp*

Sgt-at-Arms .....*Glenn Boyd*

Exec Sec/Treasurer .

*Fred Bowers*

*Directors:*

*Pat Bowers*

*Mike Coplan*

*Danielle Hill*

*Jennifer Ramage*

*Rey Sanchez*

## Member News

Sergeant-at-Arms Report for :  
12/1/2009 ..121/31/2009

### Member Birthdays:

Tocho Arranaga	12/2
Otila Gonzalez	12/13
Haygood Gullely	12/29
David Ortiz	12/03
Jonathon Pina	12/12
Joe SanMiguel	12/21
Rey Sanchez	12/05

### Partner Birthdays

Becky	Jeff Ayers	12/12
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### Wedding Anniversaries:

Jeff & Becky Ayers	05	12
Blake and Jacqueline Lewis	14	13
Jim & lee Schwertfeger	23	

### Club Anniversaries

Member	Date	Years
Jeff Ayers	02	1
Deborah Draper	14	10
Brenda Hunter	14	10
Jeff Mahl	17	18
Joe San Miguel	18	26

### PERKS of growing older

1. Kidnappers are not very interested in you.
2. No one expects you to run—anywhere

## A Rotary Moment



## GSE

The Rotary Foundation's Group Study Exchange (GSE) program is a unique cultural and vocational exchange opportunity for businesspeople and professionals between the ages of 25 and 40 who are in the early stages of their careers. The program provides travel grants for teams to exchange visits in paired areas of different countries. For four to six weeks, team members experience the host country's culture and institutions, observe how their vocations are practiced abroad, develop personal and professional relationships, and exchange ideas.

In a typical four-week tour, applicants participate in five full days of vocational visits, 15 to 20 club presentations, 10 to 15 formal visits and social events, two to three days at the district conference, three to four hours per day of cultural and site tours, and three to four hours per day of free time with host families.

For each team member, the Foundation provides the most economical round-trip airline ticket between the home and host countries. Rotarians in the host area provide for meals, lodging, and group travel within their district.

### Rotary International

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

International President.....*John Kerry*

District 5840

[www.rotary5840.org](http://www.rotary5840.org)

Governor..... *Clarence "Reggie" Williams*

Asst District Governor...*Evelyne Barbutti*

### The 4-Way Test of the Things We Think, Say and Do

1. Is it the Truth?
2. Is it Fair to All Concerned?
3. Will it Build Goodwill and Better Friendships?
4. Will it be Beneficial to All Concerned?

## Attendance Statistics...as of 11/03/2009

Members	Attendance PERCENT		
Abbott, Emile...	90	Hill, Danielle...	90
Arranaga, Tocho	0	Hill, Randy	45
Ayers, Jeff	40	Houghton, Jack.....	25
Beavan, Rachel	20	Hunt, Loral	55
Bishop, Bob	80	Hunter, Brenda.....	65
Bonnee, Michael	55	Johnson, Cheryl ...	100
Bowers, Fred	100	Khoury, Nick	30
Bowers, Pat...	100	Lemp, Kurt	100
Boyd, Glenn...	100	Lewis, Bill.....	95
Cadena, Val	100	Lewis, Blake...	85
Cadena Jr., Val	100	Mahl, Jeff ...	95
Campos, Aida	80	Mariner, Larry...	85
Clayton, Jan	100	Martinez, Abner...	60
Collins, Frances	15	Martinez, Maria ...	40
Cooper, Emily...	80	Montemayor, Irma ...	70
Cooper, Kelt...	67	O'Leary, Harold	...100
Coplan, Mike...	85	Ortiz, David.....	100
Cox, Alan...	100	Ortiz, Roxy...	100
Daniels, Rita...	95	Palafox, Jose	25
Davenport,Polly...	70	Perches, Crystal...	81
DeLaMota, Jacques...	70	Perez, Melissa Ann	65
Del Rio, Polo...	58	Pina, Jonathan...	35
Delagrange, Laurent	80	Plumb, John...	5
Delgado, Fred	60	Prather, Angela...	90
Draper, Deborah...	100	Ramage, Jennifer...	100
Fernandez, Terry...	60	Reyes, Belinda...	45
Garcia, Elena	35	Rodriguez, Frances...	20
George, Philip...	25	Rutigliano, Chester... ..	90
IGonzalez, Otila	55	San Miguel, Joe	65
Guerra, Claudia...	85	Sanchez, Rey...	100
Gullely, Haygood	70	Schwertfeger, Lee	50...
Heide, Adriana	100	Sontag, Bill...	85
Heilner, Bill...	80	Sontag, John .....	95
Hernandez, Tony	100	Stehle, Garry... ..	45
		Taylor, Susan	0
		Taylor, Tommy.	15
		Weathersbee, Najla...	100
		Williams, Hugh... ..	95
		Wilson, Gerald	95

Total Members: 73  
Credit attendance 53  
Attendance %: 71

### Make-up Opportunities

- Monday: Uvalde
- Wednesday: Eagle Pass
- Thursday: Brackettville or Acuña
- 2nd Mondays: Board
- 3rd Thursdays: Rotary Housing Board
- On the web:

[Rotary E Club One](#)

## SCHOLARSHIP LUNCH BUCKET

11/10/09 = \$739.00  
Bucket = \$82.00

New total for  
12/01/09  
\$821.00

Al won the draw and drew a nine. Lisa donated the \$9.00 to the Scholarship Fund

