



Oak Hills Rotary Ramblings

Club No. 1923 • Founded 1977 • District 5840
P.O. Box 291069 • San Antonio, TX 78229



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Club Information: organized in **October 23, 1977** **Current Membership: 35**
 Contributions to the Rotary Foundation **\$741,382.89** Foundation giving per member 2009-10: **\$148.43**
 Paul Harris Fellows: **334** Current PHFs or Multiple PHFs: **32(91%)**
 Benefactors: **43** Paul Harris Sustaining members 2009-10: **14(40%)** Benefactors: **22**

June 11, 2010

Bruce Richter called the meeting to order and gave the prayer and pledge. Visiting Rotarians and guests were introduced by **Barry Abrams**. These included past club member Ken Ruiz, current club member **Fred Timmons** and our Interact Club Sponsor from Clark High School, Kathryn Mabrito.

THERE WILL BE NO MEETING ON FRIDAY, JULY 2, 2010

CLUB NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

Remember to welcome **Clark Niblock** to the club. He was proposed by **Bruce Richter**. His classification is Real Estate-Residential.

■ **Dues are DUE!** Remember that RI wants the dues to be paid very promptly in order to retain membership status.

■ Wine and book donors:

	Wine	Books
May	Joe Montagna	Walt Sandison
June	Don Deal	***
July	Lee Parker	
August	Jim Walters	
September	Walt Sandison	
October	Gloria Duke Richter	
November	John Curran and Brett Ward	

We are in good shape for books with a backlog of nearly 40 yet to be presented!

■ **INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS & DIRECTORS** will be at our lunch meeting on July 9th. Be sure to plan on being there.

Dave Ives noted that former member and club president **Wayne Lemoine** is in the hospital with another stroke. He talked with Libby (his wife) and this happened three weeks ago. At this point he is not allowed visitors so keep him in your thoughts.

■ Fish Bowl: Money collected during June will go to the Northside Independent School District's School Age Parenting program.

■ We presented two EREY certificates. They went to **Bubba Vollmer and Elaine Kovner**. Thanks to both for their support of the Foundation!

DISTRICT EVENTS:

A visitor from the Northeast Rotary Club announced that their club is sponsoring a bowling tournament on Saturday, July 24th. This is their fund raiser. Cost is \$20 per person and this includes shoes and three games. There need to be four members per team.

PROGRAM:

David Ratcliff introduced our speaker, Fredrick Rucker with Air Evac Lifeteam. Air Evac is the largest independently owned and operated membership supported (currently about 850,000 members) air medical service in the U.S. They operate out of 90 bases across 14 states. It has become well known for its service to rural markets.

Twenty five years ago the military did almost all the medical evacuation flights in the San Antonio area. There are four companies (for profit and non profit) involved. You need only watch the sky

Will it be Beneficial to All?

Will it build Goodwill an Better Friendships?

Is it fair to All Concerned?

Is it the Truth?

THE FOUR WAY TEST

over San Antonio to see how busy these folks are.

The cost of an air flight is \$15,000 before take off! Flights over San Antonio can easily run \$16-20,000. It is very expensive and yet often required. Accidents needing medical evacuation are required to use a helicopter at morning and evening rush hours. Flights from rural areas are much more costly. It was suggested that you check with your insurance agent about how this cost is (or is not) covered. A typical response is that you are covered 100% . . . but this is 100% of the allowable amount which might be very low. However, you can cover this by becoming a member of Air Evac. For \$60 you and yours are covered. However, you must remember that there are four companies and you may not be in a condition to express your helicopter preference! There are car stickers and wallet cards but in the excitement some other company can be called. This is currently the subject of a lawsuit.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

June 18	Club Assembly
June 25	Blake Hasting with the Federal Reserves returns
July 2	NO MEETING!
July 9	New Officer Installation

UMBRELLA:

Elaine Kovner and Doug Kruppa jointly purchased the umbrella. Elaine reminded us to be very careful about what you claim. There are lots of “informative” sites on the web but people are often confused about how our laws are made. A law may pass the house but it is not really “the law” until it passes the senate and is signed by the President.

CONFESSIONS:

Barry Abrams will be in New York to meet the new grand baby! The two year old grand son may also get some attention. **Bubba Vollmer’s** grandson got a rodeo scholarship to the college he is planning to attend. **David Ratcliff** confessed to 39 years of marriage. Next week he’ll be in New Hampshire and the week after he’ll be moving some in-laws into a new location.

RAFFLE: This week a guest Rotarian won the right to try for the two of clubs. She got \$25 toward her next PHF instead . . . and the pot grows! **David Ratcliff** got some wine and gave it to the speaker. The second bottle went to **Barry Abrams** guest, our Clark Interact sponsor. **Roger Thompson** won the extra food.

We closed with the Four Way Test.