



Oak Hills Rotary Ramblings

Club No. 1923 • Founded 1977 • District 5840
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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**

August 13, 2010

We were called to order by **Bil Trodler**. **Bruce Richter** gave the prayer and pledge. **Barry Abrams** introduced visiting Rotarians and guests.

CLUB NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

- **Doug Kruppa** reminded us to VOTE, VOTE, VOTE for the Early Act First Knight Pepsi Grant. Get friends and customers to vote as well. Everyone can cast one vote everyday for the month. Getting this grant would allow us to expand this program to additional schools.
- Here is our schedule for **Early Act / First Knight** for the coming school year at Oak Hills Terrace Elementary School. This is a great project. Please try to find the time to come and watch some of these events. It is really worth your while.

Tournament of Champions September 17 at 9:00 a.m.

Award Ceremonies:

October 22	November 19
January 7	February 4
April 8	May 6

All award ceremonies are broken down into two parts (by grade). These are scheduled at 8:30 and 9:30 a.m. The Principal and Vice Principal of this school gave **Don Deal, Doug Kruppa** and **Bil Trodler** a tour of the new offices and classrooms. This gave them a chance to show off the school after a rather major remodeling and to discuss EA/FK. (In fact, the remodeling was so complete that **Bruce Richter** could not find the library when he was dropping off books!)

- **Jim Higdon** reported that **Skip Allen** got a good, clean bone scan and that the cancer appears to be in remission.

- Wine and book donors:

	Wine	Books
July	Lee Parker	
August	Jim Walters	Barry Abrams
September	Walt Sandison	Joe Montagna
October	Gloria Duke Richter	John Curran
November	John Curran and Brett Ward	Elaine Kovner
December		Doug Kruppa

- **Joe Montagna** and **Roger Thompson** were honored for their participation in the Every Rotarian Every Year program.

- Fish Bowl: Money collected in August will go to International Ministries. They help the Karen refugees (and several other tribes) that have moved to San Antonio

- The Board has approved a measure to make it easier for us, the membership, to invite guests to lunch. You will pay for the first meal for your guest. The club will pay for the next two lunches. So bring a guest, make a future Rotarian!

OTHER DISTRICT EVENTS:

- Amigos Internationales Rotary Club, the newest club in our district, is having a fund raiser on August 28th . . . it is the First Annual Rotary Rodeo in Bulverde, Texas! For more info, call 865-0084

- The District Conference will be held June 16-20 this coming year. The location will be on a Carnival cruise ship! You can hold your place for a (refundable) \$25 deposit. Deposit should be made by September 1. There may be an optional service project in Cozumel. \$695 per person

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

includes accommodations, meals and entertainment. Carnival will donate \$40 per room to the Foundation!

PROGRAM:

Melissa Ortiz is with the Star Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association. This organization is nation-wide. Alzheimer's effects over 5 million people and this number will only grow as the Baby Boomer's age. The Alzheimer's Association works to raise money and then fund research into the disease. In addition they work to support those family members who surround and care for Alzheimer's patients. Finally, they work to promote brain health.

Alzheimer's is, at this point, an incurable disease. Women appear more susceptible to the disease but genetics play an important part. While the disease can strike younger people it is primarily a disease of old age. Nearly one of every two people alive at 85 have Alzheimer's. It should be noted that dementia is an umbrella term which covers Alzheimer's as well as other memory threatening diseases.

Everyone has memory lapses. However, there are ten signs to consider: **1.** Memory changes that disrupt daily life. **2.** Challenges in planning or solving problems. **3.** Difficulty completing familiar tasks. **4.** Confusion with time or place. **5.** Trouble understanding visual images and spatial relationships. **6.** New problems with words in speaking and writing. **7.** Misplacing things and losing the ability to retrace steps. **8.** Decreased or poor judgement. **9.** Withdrawal from work or social activities. **10.** Changes in mood and personality.

The Association raises money with a Memory Walk. This money goes to local research into the disease. Consider joining the walk. It includes a dog walk and food (heart and brain healthy of course!).

Dave Ives auctioned off a quilt provided by **Clark Niblock**. The money was presented to the Alzheimer's Association. **Dave Ives** and **Doug Kruppa** combined their wallets and bid \$400 for the quilt. AFTER the bidding Dave noted that he'd contributed \$1 and Doug the rest. Not sure how this worked out in the long run???

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

Aug 20	Neighborhood Resource Center
Aug 27	Rotary GSE Team: Philippines
Sept 3	Rebecca Creek Distillery (Come early, big attendance expected!)
Sept 10	TBA
Sept 17	Texas Forest Service
Sept 24	How to get involved (legally) with the SAPD

UMBRELLA:

Roger Thompson had the umbrella but, fortunately, had nothing to say.

CONFESSIONS:

Hou Chi Dung missed last week due to out of town company. **Bruce & Gloria Duke Richter** returned from six days in Santa Fe. They have also had the grand kids for several weeks.

RAFFLE: **Doug Kruppa** got the six of spades for his trouble. **Neil Hager** and **Joe Montagna** took home the wine. **Jim Higdon** took home the last salad! We closed with the Four Way Test.

President	Bil Trodlier
President elect	Dave Ives
Vice President	Brett Ward
Treasurer	Neil Hager
Secretary	David Ratcliff
Sgt at Arms	Hou Chi Dung

Directors:

Barry Abrams (Youth)
John Curran (Community Service)
Gloria Duke-Richter (Club Service)
Jim Higdon (International Service)
Dan Comrie (Vocational)