



Club Information: organized in **October 23, 1977** **Current Membership: 35**
Contributions to the Rotary Foundation: \$741,392.89 **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 20, 2010

We were called to order by **Bill Trodlier**. **David Ratcliff** gave the prayer and pledge. **Ted Harwood** was asked to introduce visiting Rotarians and guests . . . but there were none!

CLUB NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

- **Doug Kruppa** was absent, but if he were here he would have 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.
- **Strategic Planning Sessions: Barry Abrams** has worked hard to put together a planning session on the future of our club. It will be two evenings from 7-9 p.m. The dates under consideration are September 12-13 or 20-21 or 27-28. Please let Barry and/or **David Ratcliff** know when you can attend. We want to make the time available to the most members possible. This is an important step toward building a stronger club.
- Wine and book donors:

July	Lee Parker	Books
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

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

■ The Randolph Metrocom Rotary Club will have their 14th Annual Fair-way for Kids Benefit Golf Tournament at Olympia Hills Golf Course in Universal City on Sept. 20th.
www.randolmetrocomrotary.org

PROGRAM:

John Curran introduced Roz Chavez from the Neighborhood Resource Center. Formed in 1994 the NRC works to train neighborhood leaders to effectively represent and develop their communities. Many people get involved in Home Owner Associations (HOA) and really don't know what their responsibilities are. Roz has been a volunteer with NRC for ten years. She started as a HOA manager in her own neighborhood and started looking for resources. The NRC can put people in touch with things like city issues, code compliance issues from barking dogs to abandoned homes, and flood control. They provide yearly workshops to train Board members on their duties, expose the HOA leadership to the legal issues involved. These meetings may also include things like information on spay and neuter programs, utilizing social media (twitter, blogs, facebook, etc.) and other community programs.

Neighborhoods may have mandatory or voluntary membership in the HOA. Or there may be no HOA at all. The goal is to create an environment where neighbors can work together to protect and develop their neighborhoods. If "neighborly" efforts don't succeed then people are often directed to the Bexar County Dispute Resolution center to try to work out their differences without involving attorneys.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

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.

CONFESSIONS:

You have to admire the creativity of our President. **Bil Trodler** asked if **Clark Niblock** had sold a house recently. When he found out that a sale had been made, he asked Clark to pay a fine!

RAFFLE: **Roger Thompson** got the King of Hearts. You may have noticed that the Board has voted to NOT pay the \$25 toward the next PHF for the raffle. This just got too expensive. (Not enough people were buying 20 or more tickets!) **Hou Chi Dung** and **Ted Harwood** won the wine. Hou Chi gave his to the speaker. There was so much food left that we had a double drawing. **Barry Abrams** and our speaker took home the extra food! We closed with the Four Way Test.

President	Bil Trodler	Directors:
President elect	Dave Ives	Barry Abrams (Youth)
Vice President	Brett Ward	John Curran (Community Service)
Treasurer	Neil Hager	Gloria Duke-Richter (Club Service)
Secretary	David Ratcliff	Jim Higdon (International Service)
Sgt at Arms	Hou Chi Dung	Dan Comrie (Vocational)