



Southside Rotary Club of Corpus Christi Riptide

Club No. 2095

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2010-2011 Officers

President: Jennifer Smith-Engle

President Elect: Debbie High

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MEETING INFORMATION

PRAYER/PLEDGE: PDG DON RATCLIFF
INTRODUCTIONS: NICK BLACK
FOUR WAY TEST: JOHN OWEN

VISITING ROTARIANS & GUESTS

FROM CORPUS CHRISTI ROTARY CLUB

Jack Green
George Tanner

THERE WERE NO VISITORS

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

FEBRUARY 16, 2011
"UNITED WAY"
Adriana Martinez

FEBRUARY 23, 2011
"UN Sung HEROES"

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL THEME FOR 2010-2011



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50/50 RAFFLE

JOHN OWEN won \$11.00 and donated it back to the 'jar' for the club's scholarships and ramp projects. Thanks, John!!!

BRAGGIN' BUCKS

1. **PRESIDENT JENNIFER** bragged on the Texas electrical utilities for not having any blackouts during our ROTARY meetings.
2. **DEBBIE HIGH** bragged on the Green Bay Packers for their Super Bowl win.
3. **JOHN OWEN** bragged on Green Bay also and stated the new motto for Goodwill is "Go Pack Go."

RED BADGE

RODNEY EVE was presented a Blue Badge. Although he has been in SOUTHSIDE ROTARY for only about 1 ½ months, RODNEY had visited enough SOUTHSIDE ROTARY members (ten) to be able to turn in his Red Badge.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The **ROTARY DISTRICT RAFFLE** is still going on. The cold weather last Friday postponed the drawing until this Friday, February 11. Hopefully the drawing will actually be held on Friday!
2. A SOUTHSIDE ROTARY BOARD MEETING will be held next Wednesday February 16 following the Wednesday club meeting. **PRESIDENT JENNIFER** asked that all incoming Board members also attend; new members to Southside Rotary are welcome.

DISTRICT THEME FOR 2010-2011



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

NICK BLACK introduced Judge Brent Chesney. Judge Chesney was born and raised in Corpus Christi. He graduated from W.B. Ray High School, TCU, and South Texas College of Law. Brent is married, and he and his wife have two children. He served on the Corpus Christi City Council for 7 ½, and began his term as a judge in January, 2011.

Carl Lewis previously served as judge of this court and Judge Chesney believes that Judge Lewis was a very good judge and he hopes to be as good a judge as Judge Lewis was. One big difference from going from a Council person to a judge is that now Brent does not need four people to agree with him for a decision.

His court is a difficult court and is a hard job. The court handles child protective cases, juvenile cases, and guardianship cases. His court is required to have many hearings.

Brent did not agree with signing a probation order for a teen convicted of murder. The probation order was made by the previous judge but not signed. Brent made the news because he did not sign the probation order and the attorney appealed during Brent's first days judgeship.

Juvenile cases take about 25% of the judge's time. Every case is different and must be studied to make the correct decision and help the juveniles.

Child protective cases take about 75% of the court's time. Attorneys are appointed if the people cannot afford an attorney and if the child is to be removed from the parent's custody. Brent goes through required hearings and studies the case before deciding to take action to remove a child. The previous judge assigned an attorney at the very beginning and did not go through the hearings without having an attorney assigned. There should be a large savings of lawyer's expense and time since Brent took office. Brent wants to make sure that children are taken care of and that they are protected.

The court has a detention center which is separate from the County detention center. The court also has a "boot camp" to try to help youths. One problem is that once kids leave boot camp, they return to their previous lifestyle and are influenced by the same bad environment and bad friends. The boot camp teaching is performed through the Corpus Christi Independent School District.

Brent likes his new job of being a Judge.

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HIGHLIGHT ON A NEW SOUTHSIDE ROTARY MEMBER

DID YOU KNOW THAT....

NICK BLACK was born and raised in Corpus Christi. He is a graduate of Texas A&M – College Station with a degree in Agriculture. He is an Eagle Scout. Nick is married to Holly, and they have a one year old son – Waylon. Nick is very active in the South Texas Boy Scout Council. He is a member of the Builder's Association and Assistant Vice President at Kleberg Bank.

PETE'S MARKET REPORT

PETE reported that not much was happening. The last days have been an up market. Oil was down a little and gold is down.

BETTY'S QUOTE

“Juvenile delinquency would disappear if kids followed their parents' advice instead of their example.”

-Anonymous

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Club Location	Established	Club Number	Number of Members	Day/Time	Location
<u>Monday</u>					
<u>Corpus Christi Sunrise</u> 993-5296	1984	#22125	15	M 7 am	La Bahia
<u>Aransas Pass - 232-4020</u>	1960	#2059	15	M noon	Aransas Pass Civic Center
<u>Tuesday</u>					
<u>Corpus Christi Padre Island</u> 937-6196	2001	#55912	16	Tues noon	Padre Island Country Club
<u>Kingsville - 595-8548</u>	1923	#2073	59	Tues noon	Cherry Tree Tea Room
<u>Ingleside - 776-1661</u>	1948	#2072	27	Tues noon	Garden Club
<u>Portland - 643-6759</u>	1967	#2085	46	Tues noon	Northshore Country Club
<u>Taft - 528-3230</u>	1938	#2096	13	Tues noon	Taft Community Center
<u>San Diego - 701-2198</u>	1938	#2093	23	Tues noon	Rotary Pavilion
<u>Wednesday</u>					
<u>Alice - 668-3536</u>	1938	#2058	32 (I)	W noon	Alice Country Club
<u>Corpus Christi Northwest</u> 241-0794	1925	#2090	11 (I)	W noon	Chicken Shack
<u>Corpus Christi Southside</u> 993-6902	1955	#2095	61 (R)	W noon	Corpus Christi Country Club
<u>Raymondville - 956-689-5099 X103</u>	1929	#2087	25 (I)	W noon	Casa Blanca Restaurant
<u>Sinton - 364-6803</u>	1947	#2094	23	W noon	Backstreet Cafe
<u>Thursday</u>					
<u>Corpus Christi - 882-8672</u>	1914	#2062	318 (I)	Th noon	Solomon Ortiz Center
<u>Corpus Christi Evening</u> 429-4825	1992	#29110	6	Th 5:30 pm	Katz 21
<u>Falfurrias - 325-1011</u>	1927	#2067	12	Th noon	Stricklands
<u>Kingsville Sunrise -593-2757</u>	1999	#52338	23 (I) (R)	Th 7 am	Linda's Mainstreet Cafe
<u>Port Aransas - 749-2208</u>	1985	#22399	45 (I)	Th noon	Pelican's Landing Rest.
<u>Rockport - 729-2712</u>	1948	#2091	37	Th noon	Rockport Country Club
<u>Friday</u>					
<u>Corpus Christi West-</u> 882-6828	1966	#2100	47	F noon	Corpus Christi Town Club

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