



Southside Rotary Club of Corpus Christi Riptide

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FEBRUARY 17 & 24, 2010

2008-2009 Officers

President: Lari Young

President Elect: Jennifer Smith-Engle

Executive Secretary: Matt Beavers

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MEETING INFORMATION

PRAYER/PLEDGE: MIKE BRIDGES
INTRODUCTIONS: JERRY SMITH
FOUR WAY TEST: DEBBIE HIGH

VISITING ROTARIANS & GUESTS ROTARIANS

Feb 17

Gene Seaman – Ingleside

Nick Halick & Leo Barrera – Downtown

Betty Frantum brought guests
Pete Snyder and Pat Donahue

Feb 24

Leo Barrera – Downtown

Walter Deville – West Corpus Christi

SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday March 6 - Adoption Awareness Picnic
9:00 am Northwest Senior Center @ West Guth Park
Contact Anita Spreen to help us fill balloons with helium – our club is responsible for that part of the decoration – we need to do about 175 of them and then stay and play with the kids. All should be done around 2p.m. If you can bring your family to help that would be great!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

3 MAR	EMPOWERING TEXAS	MICHAEL QUINN SULLIVAN
10 MAR	FOUR WAY SPEECH CONTEST	SOUTHSIDE ROTARY



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BRAGGIN' BUCKS

FEBRUARY 17:

- **PDG DON RATCLIFF** bragged on **Betty Frantum, Jerret Krouse, and Jerry Smith** for helping the Boy Scouts with Flags on President's Day!
- **PRESIDENT LARI** bragged on **PRES-ELECT JENNIFER SMITH-ENGLE** for filling in for her on the February 10 meeting.

FEBRUARY 24:

- **PDG MARILYN SPENCER** bragged on **ROTARACT** being involved in the community and growing larger in membership. This Saturday they will paint houses and clean up the houses.
- **MARILYN** had a second brag. She has cookies for sale and is delivering cookies that had been previously sold.

50-50 DRAWING

PETE JONES won two weeks in a row and donated his winnings from the **50/50 raffle** to our **Ramp/Scholarships Jar**. Thanks **PETE!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **THANK YOU TO SKIP BARNES FOR TAKING NOTES FOR THE NEWSLETTER ON FEB. 17!**
- **PRESIDENT LARI** reminded us of the **PAUL HARRIS BIRTHDAY PARTY DINNER** (105 years old) to support the **ROTARY FOUNDATION**. It is scheduled for Saturday, February 27, at 6:00 pm at the Ortiz Center. You need to wear your **PAUL HARRIS** medallion or pin.
- Volunteers are needed to help with the **Adoption Awareness Picnic on Saturday, March 6 at 9:00 am** at the Northwest Senior Center at West Guth Park (361-241-3956). **ANITA** will supply balloons and helium. **If you have pencils, pens, cups, etc. please call ANITA and donate items FOR THE GOODY BAGS.**
- Rose Shaw Elementary has invited all **SOUTHSIDE ROTARIANS** to its **Community Luncheon on Wednesday, March 10, 2010.**
- Possible ramp project on Saturday March 13.

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FEB. 17 – STUDENTS OF THE MONTH/RYLEA PARTICIPANTS



Photo Credit: Dr. Gary Blum

Each month The Rotary Club of Southside Corpus Christi recognizes and honors top students who exhibit the motto of Rotary to give "Service above Self." These students were chosen by Sandra Gonzalez, counselor at Moody High School, which is Southside Rotary's partner school in many Rotary-related projects. The students were introduced to the club in front of their families and were given a certificate from Southside Rotary Club President Lari Young. These two students this month were also the club's participants in the annual Camp RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Academy) held this past January at Camp Zephyr.

This month's honorees pictured left to right in photo above are: **Lea Del Bosque** and **Michael Goynes**.

Lea Del Bosque — Moody RYLA Representative

Lea Del Bosque is in the Arts and Humanities Academy and is in the top 10% of her class. The Arts and Humanities Academy emphasizes the music, art, writing, and theater. Lea is interested in pursuing a degree in Broadcast Journalism and would like to attend the University of Florida or the University of Texas. She is very determined and excited to make her mark in television or radio. Some of Lea's favorite activities include swimming and cheerleading. Lea is especially accomplished in swimming and is a medalist. Lea truly enjoyed her experience at Rotary Youth Leadership Academy (RYLA) and is keeping her fingers crossed to return

next year as a RYLA team leader. This year at RYLA she received the honor of being designated as "Most Well Rounded".

Michael Goynes — Moody/Southside Rotary RYLA Representative

Michael Goynes is in the Innovation Academy at Moody High School and is in the top 10% of his class. The Innovation Academy includes courses involving engineering and environmental studies. In keeping with the engineering portion of the Innovation Academy, Michael would like to study Biomedical Engineering. He would like to attend one of three colleges the University of Texas, TCU, or Texas Tech. Michael is a sports enthusiast and enjoys football and basketball. He also successfully plays these sports at Moody. Some of his favorite things to do are hanging out with friends and family and participating in volunteer work.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

FEBRUARY 17:

PDG DON RATCLIFF introduced our speaker, **POLICE CHIEF TROY RIGGS.**



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Troy Riggs was appointed Police Chief of the Corpus Christi Police Department in October 2009. Prior to his appointment, Chief Riggs was the Assistant Chief of Police/Chief of Staff of the Louisville Metro Police Department.

Chief Riggs has over 20 years of policing experience, including merging the former Louisville Division Police and the Jefferson County Police Department into a department of approximately 1,245 uniformed officers. Along with the day-to-day activities of the Chief's staff, he was also the commander of the Support Operations Bureau, which included the major crimes division, narcotics, and department specialty teams. Chief Riggs is

known for his open management style, community policing and efficiency measures in the management of taxpayer resources.

Away from the office, he has volunteered his time as a Sunday school teacher, athletic coach, and food pantry worker.

Chief Riggs is a graduate of the University of Louisville where he earned a B.S. degree in political science. He also holds an EMBA from Sullivan University.

FEBRUARY 24:

PDG DON RATCLIFF introduced our speaker, our own **JOHN OWEN.** **JOHN** had to substitute for his son, Dan, who had to attend a funeral. **JOHN** has been President and CEO of Goodwill Industries of South Texas for 20 years. **JOHN** went to college at the University of Wisconsin and went to work for Goodwill in Wisconsin. He is on the board of directors of Goodwill International.

JOHN explained that Goodwill was started in 1902 in Boston by a parish priest. The priest collected items from the richer side of Boston and brought the items to his church on the poor side of town. Passing out the items caused problems because everyone wanted the items. The priest decided to pay his parish members to resell the items. This was the beginning of Goodwill. After World War I, many injured veterans received job training for employment, and the veterans were helped to find jobs.

Goodwill helps "prepare, place and retain" people to obtain employment. Each Goodwill Industry will have its own board of directors and its own CEO. The programs and services provided will be what are best for its service area. **JOHN** stated that the area served by the Goodwill of South Texas is from Victoria to Brownsville. Goodwill is limited only by its imagination.

The Goodwill programs prepare people for jobs and prepare the people for interviews. Goodwill pays wages for work performed. **JOHN** has a staff that will follow up on its workers placed outside of Goodwill. Goodwill has donation centers and resale shops. Some of the newer stores are very nice and

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some even have a coffee shop located inside the store. Handicapped attorneys are employed by Goodwill. The stores bring in about 60% of the total income for Goodwill.

Goodwill helps the Army Depot with preparing and printing of its forms and operates its mail room. Packages are x-rayed at the mail room. The mail room operator has stated that if he finds a package that is suspicious “he runs out the door”.

Goodwill has a “monster” shredder for destroying documents. Goodwill has mentors that work with troubled youth in the community. Goodwill is working to help prepare taxes for low income people and has brought in about \$28,000.00 in refunds for the people. A Sun Run and Walk is scheduled for March 6 in Cole Park. This event is the second largest in Corpus Christi.

JOHN was presented with a Tax Shelter for his presentation. Thanks **JOHN** for a good program on very short notice.



PETE'S MARKET REPORT

Feb: 24 - No **PETE** and no report.
PETE'S wife had an operation.

BETTY'S QUOTE – Feb 24:

FROM WILL ROGERS IN 1932:

“I BEGIN TO THINK THIS ATHLETIC RACKET IS A PRETTY TOUGH THING, AT THAT. THERE IS ABOUT AS MANY DISAPPOINTMENTS AS SUCCESSES. AND YOU CAN'T JUST LET IT GO AND MAKE UP FOR IT AT THE NEXT MEET. THE NEXT OLYMPICS IS FOUR YEARS AWAY AND FOUR YEARS IS A LONG TIME IN AN ATHLETIC'S CAREER.

I THINK US FELLOWS THAT CAN'T DO ANYTHING ARE JUST AS WELL OFF. WE ARE NEVER DISAPPOINTED.”

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Club Location	Established	Club Number	Number of Members	Day/Time	Location
Monday					
<u>Corpus Christi Sunrise</u> 993-5296	1984	#22125	15	M 7 am	La Bahia
<u>Aransas Pass</u> - 232-4020	1960	#2059	15	M noon	Aransas Pass Civic Center
Tuesday					
<u>Corpus Christi Padre Island</u> 937-6196	2001	#55912	16	Tues noon	Padre Island Country Club
<u>Kingsville</u> - 595-8548	1923	#2073	59	Tues noon	Sirloin Stockade
<u>Ingleside</u> - 776-1661	1948	#2072	27	Tues noon	Garden Club
<u>Portland</u> - 643-6759	1967	#2085	46	Tues noon	Northshore Country Club
<u>Taft</u> - 528-2636	1938	#2096	13	Tues noon	Kiva Hut
<u>San Diego</u> - 701-2198	1938	#2093	23	Tues noon	Rotary Pavilion
Wednesday					
<u>Alice</u> - 668-3536	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</u> - 956-689- 5099 X103	1929	#2087	25 (I)	W noon	Casa Blanca Restaurant
<u>Sinton</u> - 364-6803	1947	#2094	23	W noon	Backstreet Cafe
Thursday					
<u>Corpus Christi</u> - 882-8672	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</u> - 325-1011	1927	#2067	12	Th noon	Stricklands
<u>Kingsville Sunrise</u> -593-2757	1999	#52338	23 (I) (R)	Th 7 am	Linda's Mainstreet Cafe
<u>Port Aransas</u> - 749-2208	1985	#22399	45 (I)	Th noon	Pelican's Landing Rest.
<u>Rockport</u> - 729-2712	1948	#2091	37	Th noon	Rockport Country Club
Friday					
<u>Corpus Christi West</u> -882-6828	1966	#2100	47	F noon	Corpus Christi Town Club

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