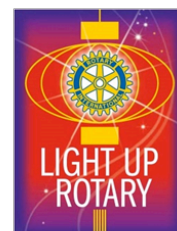


Rotary Club of Galveston - Texas



PILOT



Rotary Newsletter
September 10, 2014

Keith Bassett presided over the meeting.

Reverend Ray Pinard offered the invocation

Ruth Suhler led pledge and music

Jennifer Goodman introduced visiting Rotarians and guests

Announcements

Robyn Bushong announced that the benefit for the Humane Society is next weekend. Call the Galveston Humane Society for tickets

Marie Robb announced that she is selling Chili Supper sponsorships. Expect to see more information in the mail. The Chili Supper is November 5. Ruth Suhler is the dessert chair for the event and needs your desserts. Let her know if you plan to bring something.

Program

Kathy Vandewalli introduced the program, **Maureen Patton** and The Grand 1894 Opera House.

Maureen spoke about the upcoming season of performances at The Grand -- the 40th consecutive performing season. The theme is Celebrate With the Grand. She also spoke about special events and improvements being made at the facility.

The Pointer Sisters will open the performing season this year. Other acts include Lyle Lovett, Willie Nelson, the Irish Tenors and many more. For a complete schedule, visit thegrand.com.

Every year The Grand hosts a Serious Fun Fundraiser to help underwrite tickets for children's performances. This year's event is on September 25 at Nonno Tony's. Among the items to be auctioned are a trip to Colorado and Houston Texans ticket with a J.J. Watt jersey and signed

football.

Crews are working to repoint the bricks on the back wall. During Ike, scaffolding was up around the wall and it was likely that it saved the wall from coming down completely. The work will cost \$3.5 million and is partly underwritten with a grant from the Moody Foundation.

Special events hosted by the Grand include Artoberfest and the Grand Kids Festival. This year will mark the Grand Kids Festival's 20th anniversary.

Keith Bassett led the group in reciting the Rotary Four-Way Test , plus one:

Of the Things we think, say or do:

- 1) Is it the TRUTH?
- 2) Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3) Will it build GOODWILL and better FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4) Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned
- 5) Will it be FUN?

Mary Beth Bassett, PILOT Editor

Upcoming Programs:

October 1: Mike Babin, Windstorm Inspections

October 8: Angie Brown and Lauren Milo, Junior League

October 15: Joanie Steinhaus, Turtle Island Restoration Network

October 22: Dr. Raimer, Texas State Legislative Session



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