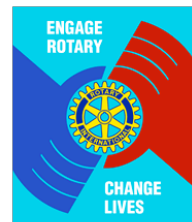


Rotary Club of Galveston - Texas



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Rotary Newsletter
September 18, 2013

Kevin Harrington presided over the meeting.

John Knecht offered the invocation

Sheryl Green introduced visitors and guests

Matthew Kennedy led the pledge and music

Guests

Dave Dunn, guest of the club

Melissa Kennedy, wife and guest of Matthew Kennedy

Nicholas Kennedy, infant son of Matthew and Melissa Kennedy

Brian Barnes, guest of Howie Bentley

Announcements

Sissy Matthews completed all of her new member responsibilities. Congratulations! The meeting on September 25 will be at the San Luis hotel to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Texas A&M Galveston.

The deadline for GSE team members has been moved to October 20. Team members must be between 25 and 40. The district team will travel to Brazil from May 11 through June 10, 2014.

An informational meeting for interested students and parents who may be considering participating in the outbound programs of the Rotary Youth Exchange Programs (both short-term and long-term) will be held

Saturday, October 12, 2013 (10 a.m. - Noon) in Building B - Room 102 of the Lone Star College-Montgomery Campus, 3200 College Park Drive, near The Woodlands

Lauren Suderman wrote and received a district grant. The club purchased 200 Teddy bears with the Rotary logo to be placed in police patrol units. When an officer on a call encounters a child in distress, the officer can give a bear to the child. The club matched the district grant contribution and the total received was \$4,000.

Program

Sheryl Green introduced the program, David Popov and Norman Williamson, with the Community Emergency Response Team.

They urged people to have a communications plan in an emergency and to keep your gas tanks full, at least above half a tank. The CERT is located at in League City. They have five main tasks in the wake of a hurricane:

1. Warn public
2. Plan the evacuation. If you know someone who needs help, call 211 and register.
3. Search and rescue.
4. Shelter.
5. Re-entry. Hurricane plan.

CERT has 250 volunteers. Volunteers perform many jobs including medical triage where they work on simulated emergency situations.

It takes approximately 250 ambulances to evacuate those in Galveston County who need them. There are fewer than 10 ambulances in Galveston County. The agency is looking in to using Houston's ambulance buses and also looking to purchase these vehicles. There is a contest on Facebook. Vote for Galveston and CERT may win an ambulance bus.

Door Prize:

John Knecht won the door prize

Kevin Harrington led the group in reciting the Rotary Four-Way Test.

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

Upcoming Programs:

10/9: Craig Eiland, Legislative Update

10/16: Congressman Randy Weber

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