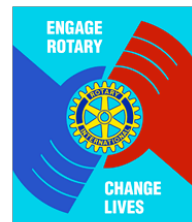


Rotary Club of Galveston - Texas



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Rotary Newsletter
December 11, 2013

Kevin Harrington presided over the meeting.

Stephen Duncan offered the invocation

Randy Klibert led the pledge and music

Jerri Kinnear introduced visitors and guests

Announcements

Kevin Harrington instructed club members to vote for new officers and place their ballot in the ballot box.

December 18 is the Christmas program. Toys for Tots representatives will be here so please bring an unwrapped gift or a monetary donation. Representatives from Galveston Island Meals on Wheels will also be here accepting donations for the organization.

Bets Anderson announced that the Galveston College Choir will be at Moody Methodist Sunday at 2 pm for a free concert.

Kevin announced that today is **Harold Fattig's** birthday

Ruth Suhler thanked everyone who signed up to ring the bells. If you would like to volunteer, please let her know.

Program

Ruth Suhler introduced the program: Amy Schilling and Nathan Moreno explaining the differences between generic and brand-name pharmaceuticals.

Brand name prescription drugs are so expensive because of the development timeline and clinical trials. It takes about \$873 million for the entire process for each drug.

Generic drugs are required to have the same dosage strength and active ingredients as their brand-name counterparts. The inactive ingredients may vary. Many generic and brand-name drugs are manufactured in the same factories.

Talk to your doctor before switching from a brand-name drug to a generic. The absorption rate into the blood stream can vary from 80% to 125%. The FDA monitors both generics and brand names and makes changes as needed.

Al Miller 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
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Upcoming Programs:

December 18: Holiday Program, Toys for Tots and Galveston Island Meals on Wheels Bread Basket

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