



The Riptide

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SOUTHSIDE CORPUS CHRISTI ROTARY CLUB

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Braggin' Bucks

Jennifer Smith-Engle bragged on the fact that she will be visiting her sister in Madison, Wisconsin where it is 80 degrees and raining.

Mike Bridges bragged on his daughter who will be headed to TCU. She passed her AP tests and received 12 hours of credit toward her coursework. She also received her room assignment and will be staying in an honors dorm.

Announcements

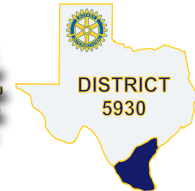
Attention Ramp Champs: The ramp project scheduled for Saturday, July 30th was rescheduled to Saturday, August 6. **Dyke Henderson** says that we have been contacted directly by several needy ramp recipients due to the great publicity in the newspaper, etc. Unfortunately, since we have limited resources and volunteer capacity, we must deny these requests and put them on our informal "wait list" which may be several months long. We presently have 3 recipients waiting for us.

A better solution, and one that **Dyke** would like for us to follow is to refer these requests to the Coastal Bend Center for Independent Living. Kathleen has several volunteer groups and contractors who build ramps and she can evaluate the need and capacity of the recipient. If you get ramp requests, please have them call Kathleen at 361-883-8461.

Betty's Quote of the Week

"I believe that in a great city, or even in a small city or village, a great theater is the outward and visible sign of an inward and probable culture."

--Laurence Olivier, Sir; English actor, producer and film director, 1907-1989



Meeting Information

Invocation/Pledge: **Edd Price**

Introductions: **Jerret Krouse**

Four-Way Test: **Rod Vaughn**

Visiting Rotarians & Guests

Lou Carter, Corpus Christi

Sheriff Jim Kaelin, Corpus Christi West

Guest of Jerret Krouse

50/50 Raffle

Rod Vaughn won \$7 and donated it back to the jar to fund PolioPlus, scholarships, and other Rotary projects. Thank you, Rod!

Pete's Market Report

DOW was off 95 this morning; NASDAQ was 1 up to 3 down. Volume was pretty good. We had bad economic numbers below projection. Crude oil was down another 2.31.

Rotary District Raffle

In the past, a new automobile was the prize. This year, only 600 tickets will be sold at a cost of \$100 for a drawing to be held on November 12, 2011. The prize is \$10,000 cash. \$25,000 goes to the Rotary Foundation, \$25,000 goes to District-wide food banks. Only 100 tickets will be sold in this area. **Betty Frantum** has 25 tickets and our club will only have 5. Contact **Debbie High** or **Erasmo Nava** as soon as possible if you would like to purchase a ticket.

Today's Program

Michelle Maresh introduced **J. Don Luna**, Professor and Chair of the Department of Communication and Theatre at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi. Mr. Luna received his Master of Fine Arts at the University of Arizona. Prior to coming to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, he worked for 4 years as a high school theatre teacher, taught 2 years at a community college, 2 years at the University of Arizona, and 4 years at Arizona State University. Mr. Luna has developed 3 independent theatres in Corpus Christi and has 41 years of experience in film, television, commercials, and acting and directing for the stage. His stage highlights include: WRATH OF KALI at Theatre for the New City in New York City, and taking 2 plays to the International Edinburg Fringe Festival in Edinburg, Scotland. Today, Mr. Luna spoke on the topic "Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Theatre Program Update."

Mr. Luna said that the TAMU-CC Theatre program started with 32 majors and they now have over 100. The students in this program have 100% placement rate for those who want to be teachers. Students learn makeup, costume, directing, set design, lighting, hair, acting, and are trained well enough to become teachers or work in the industry.

Mr. Luna said that that, while they are audience-centered like other local theatres, they choose more cutting edge scripts that are coming off of Broadway. TAMU-CC Theatre is proud to be the first in the United States to obtain permission to do a production of "Spring Awakening," which was banned from 1890-1896 because of its subject matter (adolescent growth and struggle).

The most recent show was Alice in Wonderland, which is held August 4-6. Upcoming shows include The Odyssey, Spring Awakening, Henry 5, and 6 Degrees of Separation. Plays are held in the Performing Arts Center at TAMU-CC, and more information can be found at theatre.tamucc.edu or by calling 361-825-3756.

THE FOUR-WAY TEST

of the things we think, say, or do...

Is it the truth?

Is it fair to all concerned?

Will it build good will and better friendships?

Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

The Odyssey *October 11-16

Spring Awakening *November 15-20

Henry 5 *February 21-26

6 Degrees of Separation *April 17-22

Oil Belt Little League



Michelle Maresh's cousin, Joshua Hight is a member of the Corpus Christi Oil Belt Little League All-Star team. The team recently made Oil Belt Little League history by winning the Texas West State Championship. They're headed to play in the Southwest Regional Tournament against teams from Louisiana, Mississippi, Colorado, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Texas East. If they win, they're headed to the Little League World Series. There are 11 boys in the team and they are in need of financial support. We "passed the bucket" for donations and were able to raise \$100 for the team. Good luck to the Oil Belt Little League All-Stars!

Next Week's Program

Detective Ramiro Torres

Corpus Christi Police Department

"The Graffiti Task Force"

Rotary at a Glance



Club Name/Phone Number	Est.	Club	Members	Day/Time	Location
Aransas Pass 232-4020	1960	2059	15	M--12pm	Aransas Pass Civic Center
Corpus Christi Padre Island 937-6196	2001	55912	16	T--12pm	Padre Island Country Club
Kingsville 595-8548	1923	2073	59	T--12pm	Cherry Tea Tree Room
Ingleside 776-1661	1948	2072	27	T--12pm	Garden Club
Portland 643-6759	1967	2085	46	T--12pm	Northshore Country Club
Taft 528-3230	1938	2096	13	T--12pm	Kiva Hut
San Diego 701-2198	1938	2093	23	T--12pm	Rotary Pavilion
Alice 668-3536	1938	2058	32 (I)	W--12pm	Alice Country Club
Corpus Christi Northwest 241-0794	1925	2090	11 (I)	W--12pm	Chicken Shack
Corpus Christi Southside 993-6902	1955	2095	50 (R)	W--12pm	Corpus Christi Country Club
Raymondville 956-689-5099 x103	1929	2087	25 (I)	W--12pm	Casa Blanca Restaurant
Sinton 364-6803	1947	2094	23	W--12pm	Backstreet Cafe
Corpus Christi Sunrise 993-5296	1984	22125	15	R--7am	Corpus Christi Yacht Club
Corpus Christi 882-8672	1914	2062	318 (I)	R--12pm	Solomon Ortiz Center
Corpus Christi Evening 429-4825	1992	29110	6	R--5:30p	Katz 21
Falfurrias 325-1011	1927	2067	12	R--12pm	Stricklands
Kingsville Sunrise 593-2757	1999	52338	23 (I) (R)	R--7am	Linda's Mainstreet Cafe
Port Aransas 749-2208	1985	22399	45 (I)	R--12pm	Pelican's Landing Restaurant
Rockport 729-2712	1948	2091	37	R--12pm	Rockport Country Club
Corpus Christi West 882-6828	1966	2100	47	F--12pm	Corpus Christi Town Club
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