PILOT NEWSLETTER

SERVICE ABOVE SELF

Rotary Club of Corpus Christi

Program on Thursday, August 4, 2016 **Volume 15, Issue 4**

Sgt-At–Arms	Blinda Gibson
Invocation	TBD
Music	TBD
4 Way Test	Carmen Ramirez
Introductions	Doug Johnson
Hospitality	Carmen & Doug
Meals & Tickets	Mary Beecroft, Joe Fulton, Emily Longueira & Sally Reigle

John Metz
National Weather Service

UPCOMING SERVICE PROJECT

Got ideas? Share them with Diane Lowrance!

Rotarian experts offer advice to other members through Rotary's action group network and the Foundation's cadre system. To learn more:

www.rotary.org/action groups

The meeting will be held on August 4, 2016

Solomon P. Ortiz Center
Lunch Begins at 11:45 AM
Meeting 12:10 PM - 1:15 PM
$19 Lunch/ $5 Non-Eaters

Hurricane Celia was the last major hurricane to make a direct hit on Corpus Christi in 1970. Since then the Coastal Bend of Texas has escaped the wrath of mother nature's most powerful storm. When will the next hurricane strike?

Meteorologist John Metz will explore the hazards associated with the hurricane, discuss the threat we face on the mid Texas Coast and how you can stay informed.

John Metz, Warning Coordination Meteorologist for the National Weather Service, will be our speaker on Thursday. We invite you to join us and *bring a friend!*

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We are business and community leaders dedicated to making a positive difference through service.

Club News

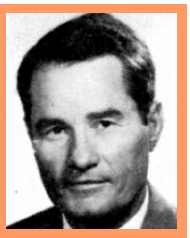
Congratulations Doggy McClure! He received his Paul Harris Fellow+1. Pictured with Tim Stephens (center) and Leo Barrera (right) representing the Rotary Foundation.

Congratulations to Dick Runyan on receiving his Paul Harris Fellow+6 and donating a PHF in honor of David Stuller, his niece's husband. Another example of sharing Rotary with a friend!

2 by 22

One of President Tim Stephens' goals is "2 by 22". You'll hear more about it this year.
What do you think it means?

Did You Know?



Mike Kershaw

(Photo: Circa 1980)

Describe your profession and your favorite part of it. As a Marine Consultant (retired), my job was very exciting. I enjoyed working with people from other countries and overcoming stressful situations.

What do you like to do when you're not working, or in this case, retired? I like to hunt upland birds with bird dogs.

What's the most satisfying benefit you get from being a Rotarian? I like being a part of an organization that is helping other people.

Share something people do not know about you. I'm tall, dark, and handsome. (Editor's note: ...and he obviously has a good sense of humor!)

What is one of your favorite quotes? "By the time you realize your father is right, you have a son to tell you that you are wrong."

Honduras Water Project 2016-17

We are supporting an important water project in Honduras this year. **We need to raise $10,500 for the project** and then apply for a grant from the Rotary Foundation.

This project is done in memory of Bill Hennings. Thanks to contributions after his death for the project and other clubs joining us, **more than half of the money has already been raised.** *More information begins on Page 3.*

We are holding a raffle to win a Paul Harris Fellow! Tickets are $25 each or 12 for $250. Drawing to be held September 8th.

Together, we can transform lives through our generosity. Please consider purchasing raffle tickets at a meeting or make a donation to help us reach our club's goal. Thank you!

Notice to the Membership of the Rotary Club of Corpus Christi
August 1 , 2016

The following proposal for membership having been approved according to the by-laws is hereby published for membership approval. Objections must be filed in writing to the Board of Directors within 7 days.

Michelle Horine

Executive Director

Ronald McDonald House Charities Corpus Christi

World Polio Cases
As of July 27, 2016

www.polioeradication.org

	2016	2015
Total	**19**	**34**
Endemic countries	19	34
Non-endemic	0	0

Upcoming Meetings/Projects:

August 12: Lunch with the President and Executive Director, noon, Rotary office

September 5: Labor Day ~ Rotary office closed

September 12: New Member Orientation, 5 PM, Rotary officed

Upcoming Thursday Meetings:

August 11: Judith Talavera, AEP Texas

August 18: Lorette Williams, Harbor Bridge Replacement Project

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Where to Make-Up Missed Meetings:
*All clubs meet at **noon** unless otherwise indicated.*

Monday
A.P. Bakery Café—*Aransas Pass*

Tuesday
North Shore CC—*Portland*
Garden Center on Mustang Dr. - *Ingleside*

Wednesday
CC Country Club —*CC Southside*
Chicken Shack— *CC Northwest*
Alice Country Club—*Alice*
The Butter Churn—*Sinton*

Thursday
7 am Shoreline Sandwich (Plains Capital Bldg.)—*CC Sunrise*
Pelican's Landing Rest.—*Port Aransas*
5:30 pm Joe's Crab Shack—*CC Evening*
2nd & 4th weeks: Schlitterbahn—*Padre Island*

Friday
Art Center, Citrus Bistro —*CC West*

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Service Above Self

They Profit Most Who Serve Best

WATER BRIGADES PROJECT PROFILE

Coyol de Linaca *Updated April, 2016*

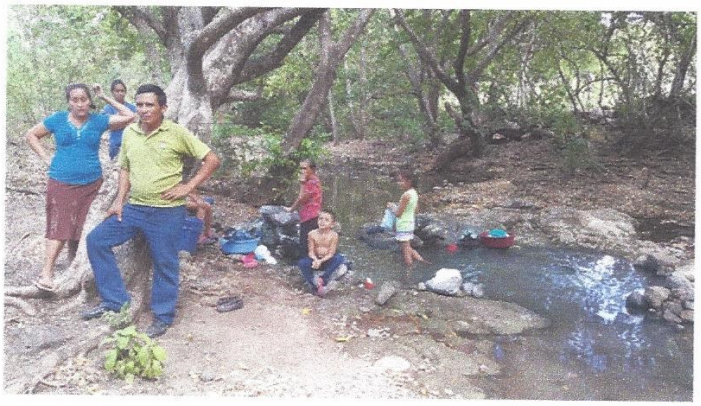
Community Snapshot	
Population	685
Homes	114
People/Home	6
Schools	1 (preschool through 6th grade)
Electricity	Yes
Municipality	Choluteca
Department	Choluteca
Health Center	CESAR – Linaca Centro
Distance from Compounds	45 kilometers/1 hour
Road Conditions	Very Good

Introduction

Coyol de Linaca is a community in the municipality of Choluteca in the department of Choluteca in southern Honduras. There are about 685 people residing in 114 houses. Community members in Coyol del Linaca cannot obtain enough water to meet their basic needs, meaning that they must forgo many basic hygiene and sanitation practices. Thus, common colds, skin rashes, parasites, and diarrheal diseases plague community members. Moreover, few homes have concrete floors, proper functioning latrines, adequate water storage, or efficient stoves with chimneys, which further exacerbates their health problems. The closest health center is in Linaca Centro, which is a 1-hour walk from Coyol de Linaca. It is not consistently staffed nor stocked with an adequate supply of medicine. In regards to education, the closest secondary school is located in Linaca Centro as well; school is only offered until 6th grade in Coyol de Linaca. Many students consequently leave school and begin working to support their families after completing 6th grade. Like their parents, they often work in agriculture, raising corn and beans for subsistence. Others cut sugar cane on nearby sugar plantations during the harvest, which is then sold to a sugarcane processing factory. Others also work as mechanics, welders, or watchmen for banks in Choluteca, and still others work in the shrimp packing industry.

Coyol de Linaca Water Challenge

Coyol de Linaca currently has a running water system, but it is only supplying water to approximately 35 houses in the community, and it is not large enough to meet the community's needs. The system utilizes a water spring situated 2 kilometers from the community. The spring water source only provides 2.30 gallons of water per minute in the dry season. It consequently takes more than 26 hours to fill the 3,700 gallon storage tank serving the community. Thus, community members only have access to water for roughly four hours every other day. Without an adequate supply of water, community members must forgo many basic hygiene and sanitation practices that would protect their health. Yet, they still pay a water fee of 20 Lempiras or US $0.88 each month despite the subpar service. Further endangering their health, few community members consume treated water. There is no centralized treatment plan, and the existing storage tank is not equipped with a chlorinator to treat the water prior to consuming it. Moreover, few families treat their water at home. They do not boil their water nor use any chemical solutions.



The Water Solution for Coyol de Linaca

In order to ensure that all community members have access to an adequate supply of clean water, Global Brigades is planning on building a new water system in Coyol de Linaca. The water system will contain a well approximately 200 feet deep, an electrical pump to accumulate about 25-35 gallons of water per minute during the day, a pumping line of about 810 meters of piping, a 20 k gallon water storage tank, a distribution network of about 8,460 meters of piping, and faucets for every home in the community. The seven members of the new Water Council will be trained on water treatment, system maintenance, administration, and operation. The community plumber will be trained on the same topics, so they can continue adequately managing the water system. Upon completion, the community will establish a monthly water tariff in order to pay the Water Council for water treatment, maintenance costs, and system sustainability. A Basic Sanitation Committee, consisting of community volunteers, will also be established and trained to help present educational workshops in the school to teach children about water and health-related topics.

Education in Coyol de Linaca

EDUCATION SNAPSHOT	
# Classroom	3
# of Teachers	3
Outside Activity Space	Ample
Chalkboard	Yes
# of Students	66
Age Ranges	6-12
Electricity	Yes

Three locally educated teachers work in the three classrooms in the elementary school in Coyol de Linaca. Two classrooms are multi-level, meaning that teachers must teach students varied curriculums in the same classroom, as the students are in different grades. The third classroom serves for kindergarten. Similar to North American schools, most students are 6 years of age when they enter the 1st grade and are 13 years old when they are done with the 6th grade. Due to the lack of an accessible middle and high school around the community, most students do not pursue further education after the 6th grade, as seen in many other rural communities in Honduras. Those who do continue onto secondary school attend it in the community of Linaca Centro, which is a 2-hour walk from their home. Not only is it quite a distance away, but it is also expensive as families need to pay for uniforms and supplies. Thus, many children begin working in agriculture to help support their families after completing sixth grade. In comparison to many other rural primary schools in Honduras, the school in Coyol de Linaca is relatively well equipped. There are three spacious classrooms; each room is equipped with white boards and chalkboards. Students each have their own desks in varying condition. There are also many colorful posters and images on the walls, although the school would always welcome new educational artwork.