



Seneca Rotary Club Newsletter

Meeting date: June 25, 2009

For more information visit our website: SenecaRotary.org

Rotary Repair Force

After Curt Davis of our club, retired from a major building supply company, he started looking for ways to apply his handyman skills to service in his community.

He needed volunteers to assist him and turned first to his church and then to our Rotary club. Now, Seneca Rotary Club has an on-going committee to do service projects for needy families in our community: Rotary Repair Force. We have found it to provide service to the community and to foster good fellowship.

Recently we completed a wheel-chair ramp for a family in which both adults had mobility problems. A visit to the home allowed a rough design to be sketched, and the building materials were purchased. A group of club members met at the home

The first task was to dig holes for the ramp footings. If you are familiar with the red clay that is prevalent in this area, you can appreciate that the footing holes were the most difficult part of the project.



While the holes were being finished, the stringers were cut to fit across the existing

step and out to the footings.

Perhaps the most thrilling moment of the day, was when the level was put to the frame and we found out that it was indeed level. Our "foreman" has extensive experience which serves as a good draw for club members who want to learn how to do home projects.



With the framing all checked, it was time to nail down the deck. Since the deck was actually a structural member, the proper fit was

important. A little pushing and shoving was all it took to make it "right".

Once the deck plate was nailed down, all we had to do was put up railings. The rails were not re-enforced but simply held by a combination of lag bolts and nails. There was no need for strength as the rails were guides and not supports.

We can use all the volunteers that we can get. Please contact Curt if you are will to help or need more information.



We have a great project here that can have a major impact on our community and set a model for Rotary Clubs internationally. Please help continue the success

What lies ahead for Seneca Rotary Club

Club Events:

- June 26
Seneca Rotary
Year-end Party
- June 30
DGE George Fletcher
Installation Banquet
- July 2
No meeting
- July 9
Changing of the Guard
- July 16
Open

Member Events

- June 29
Wayne & Marty Gallimore
Matthew & Kelly Greene
- July 1
Mike & Debbie Wallace
- July 5
Deborah Leonard
- July 10
Bill Thraves
Lee Westmoreland
- July 12
Rhett Evatt

Where to Make-up

Monday 12:00
Walhalla Depot
Walhalla
Nancy Goehle - 638-4353

Monday 12:00
Ramada Inn
Clemson
Michael Bonnettee - 654-5496

Tuesday 7:30 am
Russell's
Fair Play
Ruth Bergeron - 287-9181

Tuesday 12:00
Eva's
Westminster
Connie Spencer - 647-1142

Wednesday 7:30 am
Seneca Family Restaurant
Seneca Golden Corner
Wayne Frady - 882-0595

Thursday 1:00
ButterBeans
Seneca
Steve Sokol - 886-8700

Friday 7:30
Ramada Inn
Clemson-Calhoun
Donna Patterson - 653-6204

E-Clubs

Rotary has established E-Clubs where you can "make up" on the Internet. There are many of these clubs you can find. Try: www.RotaryEclubOne.org.

If you want more options just enter "Rotary Eclub" in any search engine. There are many functioning in different ways.



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06 - 09:
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06 - 09:
Larry Secrest

07 - 10:
Bob Toggweiler

07-10:
Curt Evatt

08-11:
Ralph Nix

08-11:
Lyn Norton

Committees

Club Service

Attendance
Steve Sokol

Classifications
Towns Raimey
Rhett Evatt
Bob Hanson

Membership
All Members

New Member Indoctrination
Bob Hanson, co-Chair
Matthew Greene, co-Chair

Communications
Steve Sokol

Rotary Information
Mike Wallace

Programs
Shanda Maddden

Family of Rotary
Sandra Sandifer

Public Relations
Sandra Sandifer

Social
TBD

Vocational Service

Interact
Lyn Norton

World Community Service

Rotary Foundation
Bob Hanson

Group Study Exchange
Eric Cope

World Community
Steve Sokol

Community Service

Rotary Repair Force
Curt Davis

Bass Tournament
Perry Rogers

Fundraising
Alena Pelfrey
Helen Westmoreland

Clemson Ticket Taking
Eric Cope

Education Foundation
Curt Evatt

Rotary Youth Leadership Award
Johnny McLellan

Student Recognition
Wayne Gallimore

Literacy
Ralph Nix

Sources for More Rotary Information

[Http://www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) <http://www.rotary7750.org> <http://www.senecarotary.org>

Thing you did not know (or care about)

- In 1894 there were only 4 automobiles in the US
- In 1973 THE GODFATHER made Oscar an offer he couldn't refuse: Best Picture.
- John Belushi was paid \$35,000 for his role in ANIMAL HOUSE.
- The fastest -moving land snail, the common garden snail, has a speed of 0.0313 mph.
- The heart beats more than 2000 million times during the average human life span, and in that time will pump around 500 million litres (110 million gallons) of blood.
- The hummingbird, the loon, the swift, the kingfisher, and the grebe are all birds that cannot walk.
- The Kiwi, national bird of New Zealand, can't fly. It lives in a hole in the ground, is almost blind, and lays only one egg each year. Despite this, it has survived for more than 70 million years.
- The largest animal ever seen alive was a 113.5 foot, 170-ton female blue whale.
- 'redivider' is the longest English palindrome that I know of.
- "Pack my box with five dozen liquor jugs" uses all the letters of the alphabet, and less of them compared to the "The quick brown fox...." sentence. (Thanks Goat)
- Wild Bill Hickok was killed playing poker, holding two pairs - aces and eights, which has become known as 'Dead Man's Hand.'
- Einstein won the Nobel Prize in 1921 for his work on the photoelectric effect.
- 100,000 Swiss francs or approximately \$80,000 is needed to open a Swiss bank account.
- The facial muscles have a distinctive evolutionary path. Most of the muscles of expression in the human face originate from the platysma muscle of ancestral animals. No other animals have evolved as complex a set of facial muscles as have humans.
- The muscles with which we bend the finger joints are located in the palm and up in the mid forearm, and are connected to the finger bones by tendons, which pull on and move the fingers like the strings of a marionette.
- Much of muscle contraction occurs without conscious thought and is necessary for survival, like the contraction of the heart or peristalsis, which pushes food through the digestive system.
- The first house rats recorded in America appeared in Boston in 1775.
- The giant squid is the largest creature without a backbone. It weighs up to 2.5 tons and grows up to 55 feet long. Each eye is a foot or more in diameter.
- The harmless Whale Shark, holds the title of largest fish, with the record being a 59 footer captured in Thailand in 1919.
- The hummingbird is the only bird that can hover and fly straight up, down, or backward!
- Bourbon takes its name from Bourbon County in Kentucky, where it was first produced in 1789 by a Baptist minister.
- During the World War II, Bob Hope's plane was shot at when he was on his way to perform for the troops. His response to this threat was: "I have critics everywhere."