

# Welcome To Rotary

**Tuesday  
February 10, 2015**

## Today's Program

**Today's Song:** This is My Country - Don Woodward

**Today's Invocation:** Kevin Harrison

**Health & Happiness:** Vic Bailey

**Today's Program:** "Here We Are in Sparkle City"  
- George Singleton

## Last Week's Program

David Zabriskie gave a testimony on the impact that joining the Boys and Girls Clubs in Patterson, New Jersey had on his life. He told the story of how Mary Zabriskie started the club in Patterson, and opened the door and gave opportunities to David, as well as many other youths in the area. He described the Boys and Girls Clubs as a catalyst for saving lives.

## Upcoming Programs

Feb. 17      New Member Talks

Feb. 24      Spartanburg Herald Journal      - Larry Riley



## FUN FACTS

David Zabriskie

I was adopted at the age of 9 by a most incredible lady who started her own Boys and Girls Club in Paterson, NJ. Her name- Mary Zabriskie. I was one of 6 Puerto Rican siblings. My real name was Hector Claudio, however, Mary decided to adopt my 4 biological brothers and I. As a result, I am probably the only Puerto Rican Polack you will ever meet with the name of David Hector Claudio Zabriskie! OH, yes, Mary's mother, Ethel Porter, was so excited about the adoption that she decided to adopt one of my biological brothers, Raymond (Ramon) which then made Raymond my uncle through the adoption process. Confused yet? Thereafter, Mary adopted one other non-biological boy from the streets of Paterson, who just happened to have the last name of Zabriskie! Most awesome adoption with Mary teaching us the English language as we only could speak Spanish. I was able to graduate from Furman University. Mary had immediately started me on piano lessons and at age of 17, with lots of practice, played at Carnegie Hall (most professed at Classical Piano back then). I am married to Lynn and we have 3 beautiful adult children. Yes, Mary was Mother Theresa!

## Special Event

Thursday, March 5, 2015, The 4 Rotary clubs of Spartanburg are invited to the dress rehearsal for "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof".

7:00 pm social until the 8:00 pm curtain. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> season we have done this jointly with the other Spartanburg Rotary clubs.

Ticket prices will be \$20 per person. You may invite spouses, friends, neighbors, and potential club members to what has become an eagerly-anticipated tradition.

We need an approximate head count so if you plan to attend, please mail Kit Jennings with the number of people in your party.

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**Welcome New Member**

**Laura Allen**

**South Carolina Association of Non Profit Organizations**