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# ROTARY ROOTER

**ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN**

## OCTOBER 9, 2015




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2015-16 CLUB-LEADERS

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| Photographers             | Hanspeter Tobler & Oliver Smith |
| PolioPlus                 | Kent Miller                     |
| Program Committee         | David Davis                     |
| Website                   | Sheila Allee-Kershaw            |
| Weekly Meeting Volunteers | Brigitte Benquet                |



A recent speaker was Dori Yeater of the American Diabetes Association, who gave a presentation titled "Diabetes 101: An Introduction to Diabetes." With her is Program Committee member David Davis, whose daughter, Amy, lost her life to diabetes at an early age. photo by Hanspeter Tobler

**Rotary's "4-Way Test":**



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?



# ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

Friday, October 9, 2015 – 7:00 A.M.

Meeting at Balcones Country Club

Call to Order – Sarah Carriker, President

**October is Vocational Service Month**

## TODAY'S PROGRAM

**Adan Ballesteros, Travis County Constable**

Our speaker today is Adan Ballesteros, Constable of Travis County Precinct 2. The Constable Precinct Two command staff is committed to serving the Precinct Two community and its constituents. Precinct Two is a unique community that values integrity, service, creativity, excellence, responsibility, and accomplishment. Enriched by our diversity and our engagement with one another, we take pride in our shared traditions and varied experiences. For more information, go to: <https://www.traviscountytx.gov/constables/2/command-staff>

**PLEASE BE RESPECTFUL TO OUR SPEAKERS: TURN CELL PHONES OFF OR TO VIBRATE AND LISTEN! THANK YOU!**

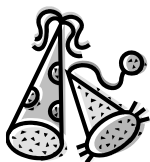
Greeter: George Kissinger  
Prayer & Pledge: Kevin Lancaster  
Sunshine Basket: George Lewis  
50/50 Ticket Sales: Travis Sparkman  
Setup: Beatriz Zilveti

**Looking Forward (speakers are also listed on our website):**

**Next Week: NO MEETING @ BCC – Rudy's on 183 instead**  
Oct 23 Tyler Buckingham, New Travis County Civil and Family Courthouse  
Oct 30 Phil Brewer, "Cedar Park Economic Development"

## OCTOBER Birthdays

01: John Voss  
02: Don Gonzenbach  
18: Linden Welsch  
20: Virginia Hart  
24: Kent Duran, Homer Goering  
28: Ray Roark  
31: Michelle Berger



## OCTOBER Club Anniversaries

01: George Lewis (34)  
01: Roger von Rosenberg (32)

## WEBSITES TO KNOW:

**Club Website:** <http://www.nwaustinrotary.club>  
**Club Facebook Page:** <http://www.facebook.com/nwaustinrotary>  
**Club Fruit Sale Website:** [rotaryfruit.org](http://rotaryfruit.org)  
**District 5870:** <http://www.rotarydistrict5870.org/>  
**Rotary International:** <http://www.rotary.org/>

**MAKE-UP MEETING LOCATIONS:** due to clubs frequently changing their meeting times and places, go to the District 5870 website and click on the [When and Where Clubs Meet](#) link under the Clubs tab for a list of area club meeting places and times.

**Online Rotary Club makeup:** [www.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org)

## AT OUR LAST MEETING

**Hanspeter Tobler, "A Year in the Life of a DG"**

Our speaker last Friday was NWAR member and District Governor 2014-15 Hanspeter Tobler. PDG Hanspeter regaled us with stories from his year as District Governor of District 5870. Hanspeter has lived in Switzerland, England, Peru, Brazil, Chile, Venezuela, Spain and USA, and is fluent in English, Spanish, German, French and Portuguese. He spent 27 years in the cement and related industries as director of marketing and CEO. Hanspeter was invited to join Rotary first in 1978 in Santiago de Chile and later, Madrid, Spain. He continues to be very active on club as well as district levels.

Greeter: Lee Easter  
Prayer & Pledge: Ken Dickensheets  
Sunshine Basket: Sheila Kershaw  
50/50 Ticket Sales: Roy Pequeno  
Setup: Mike Moser  
Humorist Emeritus: none

**NOTE: Unless otherwise announced, Sunshine Basket proceeds are split between PolioPlus and TRF Annual Fund.**

Member Attendance: 49 (of 86 active)  
**50:50 Pot Winner:** Chuck Durant (\$20)

## Rotary Minutes

- Mike Jagers introduced Karina Reyes of Lanier High School as the school's Interact coordinator.
- Dave Roon announced that our Rotary tee shirt order has been finalized; time to pay your \$20.
- Jim Henry inducted David Benjamin as the club's newest member. David's sponsor is Rick Hoffman and his classification is Employment Services

## Visiting Rotarians

Jason Williams – Cedar Park

## Other Visitors & Guests

Dave Benjamin (of Rick Hoffman)  
Mary McCaffity, former member (of Hanspeter Tobler)  
Karina Reyes (of Mike Jagers)  
Harry Polly

## Club Member Make-ups

Don Shindler – Port Aransas (9/23)  
Ken Dickensheets – New Member Meeting (10/2) & Interact (9/26)  
Gene Holliman – five different Rotary functions  
Jack & Audrey Cochrane – Oak Hill & one other  
Tim Buckley – Zone Institute (9/15-20)



## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

*"Act as if what you do makes a difference. It does."*

William James



# NEWS & EVENTS

## UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

Today!	NWAR Board Meeting
Oct 16	Meeting at Rudy's on 183
<b>Oct 17</b>	<b>Progressive Dinner</b>
Dec 3	Fruit Unloading Party
Dec 11	Bluebonnet Trails Christmas Breakfast Party
Dec 18	NWAR Holiday Party
Jan 21	Sox & Boxers Tournament
Feb 7	Super Bowl Tailgate Party
Apr 17	Lake Party, Mayes Estate
Jun 17	Club Installation Picnic

## Upcoming District Events & Important Dates

Oct 24	Pints for Polio
Feb 6	District Foundation Dinner, North Austin Marriott
Jun 23-26	District Conference, Horseshoe Bay Resort

## Special Meeting on October 16

On Friday, Oct 16th, we will not be meeting at the club, but instead at Rudy's like we did last year. The meeting will be very informal, perhaps a short club assembly or series of announcements.

## Last Day to Sign up for Progressive Dinner

The Progressive Dinner is picking up steam; we have 61 Rotarians and guests signed up so far! Today is the final date for sign up. I would really like to see us come up with 25 or more additional Rotarians/Guests so we can (1) beat the attendance at our last Progressive function, 85 and (2) give as many as possible the opportunity to observe our Rotary fellowship at NWAR. We have new members and prospective members who need this opportunity so sponsors, do your jobs and get them signed up and in attendance! The sign up sheet is on the table today, so make sure you are listed. Make it a rule to invite prospective Rotarians to all our social functions starting NOW! \$30 per head: a good deal at twice the price!!

## ROTARY AND SHELTERBOX SUPPORT SYRIAN REFUGEES

In Syria, where a civil war has been raging since 2011, more than 6,000 people flee the country every day. As of September, more than 4.1 million people have become refugees, and 7.6 million more have been internally displaced. "The plight of Syria's refugees is a litmus test for the world's compassion," says Rotary International General Secretary John Hewko. "Rotary members worldwide are profoundly disheartened by the refugee crisis now unfolding in Syria and other parts of the world," which the United Nations has described as the worst in decades. Rotary members can donate to the disaster relief efforts of our project partner ShelterBox, which is also working with communities in Greece to provide aid and supplies to displaced people passing through the region.

**This week's featured committee report is from the Vocational Service Committee...**

No report submitted this week.

## Austin Centennial Fundraiser

Austin Centennial, is raising money to support our service projects. We are participating with Lakeway Rotary in selling raffle tickets for a Mercedes Benz.

Each raffle ticket gets you:

- the chance to win your choice of a Mercedes C-250 Coupe or a GLK-350 SUV along with a trip to Germany to take delivery of the new vehicle. After the vacation the car is shipped to Mercedes Benz of Austin and detailed. Winner will be notified when they can pick up their car at the dealership;
- the opportunity to attend the Drawing Party on Friday, November 14th, 2015 at The Hills Country Club in Lakeway (cash bar, heavy appetizers); and
- hundreds of dollars in discounts on the back of the ticket stub that the purchaser can use at local restaurants.

A ticket costs \$100.00. You may purchase as many tickets as you wish. Just complete and send in the attached form and I will send you your tickets. Come on, take a chance!

Our club earns \$50.00 for each ticket we sell. Our service projects include

- An adoption match event to let foster kids available for adoption to meet potential adoptive parents (one of only 3 such events in Texas);
- Support for international service projects conducted by groups of Rotary Clubs including projects for safe drinking water, literacy and free medical clinics among others;
- Rotary's Global Polio Eradication Initiative (started in 1985; as of 2015 only two countries remain with endemic polio, Pakistan and Afghanistan); and
- Multiple local community based service projects and support to a variety of local non-profits.

Rotary International's motto is "Service Above Self." Our club needs your help to continue that mission.

Thanks for taking a few minutes to consider this email. I hope many of you will decide to purchase raffle tickets. I am told there are only 2,500 tickets!

Eileen Coleman, 512-587-7716

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