

THE ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN SPONSORS

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ROTARY ROOTER

ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

FEBRUARY 12, 2016





2015-16 CLUB-LEADERS

OFFICERS


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| President: | Sarah Carriker |
| President-Elect: | Kevin Lancaster |
| President Nominee: | Ryan Zintgraff |
| Secretary: | Greg Rabaey |
| Treasurer: | Josh Little |
| Sergeant At Arms: | Ryan Zintgraff |
| Immediate Past President: | Oliver Smith |
| VP Club Service: | Tom Perkins |
| VP Community Service: | Bob Allen |
| VP Vocational Service: | Jesus Chavez & Chuck Durant |
| VP International Service: | Audrey & John Cochran |
| VP Youth Service: | Mike Jagers |
| Member-At-Large: | Salvador Apud |
| Member-At-Large: | Roy Pequeno |

SPECIAL PROJECT CHAIRS

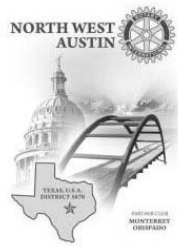
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| Communications: | Sheila Allee Kershaw |
| Early Act First Knight: | Tim Buckley |
| Endowment Chair: | John Voss |
| Foundation: | Ken Dickensheets |
| Fundraising: | Dave Roon |
| Membership: | Marietta Silva & Oliver Smith |
| Past Presidents Council: | Oliver Smith |
| Photographers: | Hanspeter Tobler & Oliver Smith |
| PolioPlus: | Kent Miller |
| Program Committee: | Kent Davis |
| RYLA: | Rick Hoffman |
| Website: | Sheila Allee-Kershaw |
| Weekly Meeting Volunteers: | Brigitte Benquet |



We had a great time judging science projects at Jollyville Elementary a few weeks ago. Shown here are Tom Perkins, mad scientist Tony Thompson, Harold Coleman and lab assistant Pat O'Farrell.

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

1. Is it the TRUTH?	3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?	4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

Friday, February 12, 2016 – 7:00 A.M.

Meeting at Balcones Country Club

Call to Order – Sarah Carriker, President

February is World Understanding Month

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Fruit Sale Celebration & Birdcage Breakfast

Beginning in 1998, the Northwest Austin Rotary Club has annually provided the opportunity for people of the community to buy boxes of oranges and grapefruit. Today we have our annual Fruit Sale Celebration, which will be highlighted by the service of our "Bottom of the Bird Cagers!" While "Birdcage" breakfast was coined by none other than Tom Perkins - because he liked to win and take advantage of the lesser producing teams - his team did not win this year. Lee Easter's Easter Bunnies was the top producing team. They will be served a breakfast of steak and eggs by Don Shindler's Listers. Par Producer apparel will be available for pick-up. We will also do a short final recap of the club's performance. Enjoy the fellowship as we thump our chests over another great fruit sale.

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

Greeter: John Knifton
Prayer & Pledge: Dick Hamilton
Sunshine Basket: Corey Ryan
50/50 Ticket Sales: Stephen Bentley
Setup: Steven Wilson

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

Next Week: Paul Horton and Yogi, Hero Dog

Feb 26 Dr. Theron Sage, "Central Texas Geology Issues"
Mar 4 Amplify Austin Local Giving Breakfast

FEBRUARY Birthdays

- 02: Ryan Zintgraff
- 03: Tom Perkins
- 06: Emma Sue Smallwood
- 08: Wayne Thompson, Roger von Rosenberg
- 14: Bob Fulmer
- 17: Damon Holditch
- 20: Sarah Carriker
- 26: Durriyah Chinwalla, Oliver Smith



FEBRUARY Club Anniversaries

- 01: Nancy Lehmann-Carsow (27)
- 01: Fred Morgan (22)
- 04: Tony Thompson (11)
- 08: Ibrahim Fakhreddine (2), Virginia Hart (2)
- 21: Oliver Smith (13)

If I left anyone out, please let me know!

AT OUR LAST MEETING

Club Assembly – Committee Reports & Goals

At last week's meeting, we heard committee reports and goals from our five areas of service: Club Service, Community Service, International Service, Vocational Service, and Youth Service. Club goals for RY 2015-16 include 90-110 active members, \$85k fundraising, volunteer opportunities, 100% PHF participation, \$25k TRF contributions and \$12k to PolioPlus.

Greeter: Rick Hoffman
Prayer & Pledge: Corey Ryan
Sunshine Basket: Tim Buckley
50/50 Ticket Sales: Harry Polly
Setup: Mike Moser
Humorist Emeritus: Dave Roon

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

Member Attendance: 57 (of 91 active)
50:50 Pot Winner: Jim Henry (\$25)

Rotary Minutes

- Our April 4 meeting will feature a special non-profit agenda.
- The Youth Service Committee has nominated 6 RYLA campers for this year's event.
- We will award 16 scholarships this year – 3 each to Vandegriff and Lanier and 5 each to Westwood and McNeil.

Visiting Rotarians

none

Other Visitors & Guests

Dwight Baldwin

Club Member Make-ups

none



WEBSITES TO KNOW:

Club Website: <http://www.nwaustinrotary.club>
Club Facebook Page: <http://www.facebook.com/nwaustinrotary>
Club Fruit Sale Website: 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

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

"Accept the challenges so that you can feel the exhilaration of victory."

George S. Patton



NEWS & EVENTS

UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

- Feb 12 Fruit Sale Celebration & Birdcage Breakfast
NWAR Board Meeting
- Apr 17 Lake Party, Mayes Estate
- Apr 29 Annual Teachers & Paraprofessional Awards
- May 6 Annual NWAR Scholarship Breakfast
- Jun 17 Club Installation Picnic

Upcoming District Events & Important Dates

- Feb 6 District Foundation Dinner, North Austin Marriott
- Feb 25-28 Lone Star PETS
- Apr 3 Cedar Park Rotary Talent Show
- Apr 16 District Assembly
- May 28-6/1 RI Convention – Seoul, South Korea
- Jun 23-26 District Conference, Horseshoe Bay Resort
- Jun 26 GD Installation Luncheon
- Jul 3-8 RYLA Camp, McKinney Roughs in Bastrop

Cedar Park Rotary Club's Student Talent Show

Sunday, April 3

2:00 – 5:00 PM

Cedar Park High School

Auditions Feb 20-21

This is your chance to shine! We are holding auditions for students to perform in a first-class talent show with cash prizes for the winners in both the junior division (kindergarten through 6th grade) and senior division (7th through 12th). Register to audition today! <https://rotaryclubofcedarpark.regfox.com/student-talent-competition-2015-auditions>

Tickets and event sponsorships available at:
<http://cedarparkrotary.org/Page/student-talent-competition>

RRISD Socks and Boxers

Fellow NWARC members, we are again participating in the RRISD Socks and Boxers campaign for the next couple of weeks. So in addition to bringing your food donations to Hill County Ministries please bring some boxers or socks to put in the collection basket!
Show your Love!

Beginning Monday, February 1

Please join us in a Socks & Boxers Drive benefiting the Round Rock ISD PTA Clothes Closet and children in our community who do not have the basic clothes they need to stay warm and attend school. Wish List:

- Boxers/Boxer Briefs for boys
- Colorful undergarments for girls
- "No-show" or colorful socks for boys and girls

This week's featured committee report is from the Community Service Committee and VP Bob Allen...

Community Service did not meet in January. The committee is reviewing four grant applications and providing comments. The grants will be awarded once the Board establishes the budget.

PRESIDENTIAL CONFERENCE EXPLORES ROUTES TO PEACE

On 2 December, a terrorist attack killed 14 people and wounded more than 20 others in San Bernardino, California. Less than two months later, an event nearby focused on peace: the Rotary World Peace Conference. The two-day meeting on 15-16 January brought together experts from around the world to explore ideas and solutions to violence and conflict.

The conference was the first of five Rotary presidential conferences planned for this year. San Bernardino County official Janice Rutherford, a member of the Rotary Club of Fontana, California, told attendees at the opening general session that the conference couldn't be timelier.

"Now more than ever, we need to come together and create peace and reduce human suffering," said Rutherford, who declared 15 January 2016 Rotary World Peace Day and a Day of Peace for San Bernardino County. "We appreciate your commitment to exploring these options and taking them back to your community and the rest of the world."

More than 150 leaders in the fields of peace, education, business, law, and health care led over 100 breakout sessions and workshops. Topics ranged from how to achieve peace through education to combating human trafficking to the role the media has in eliminating conflict.

Hosted by Rotary districts in California and attended by more than 1,500 people, the conference is an example of how Rotary members are taking peace into their own hands, said RI President K.R. Ravindran. Rotary is inching the world closer to meaningful change, said the Rev. Greg Boyle, executive director of Homeboy Industries, a Los Angeles-based gang intervention and reentry program.

Rotary's most formidable weapon against war, violence, and intolerance is its Rotary Peace Centers program. Through study and field work, peace fellows at the centers become catalysts for peace and conflict resolution in their communities and around the globe.

Dozens of Rotary peace fellows attended the conference to promote the program, learn about other peace initiatives, and help Rotary clubs understand the role they can play. Peace Fellow Christopher Zambakari, who recently graduated from the University of Queensland in Australia, said the conference is a chance to increase awareness of what others are doing to achieve peace.