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At last week's meeting, Austin City Council Member Jimmy Flannigan gave us an update on the city's hot button topics, focusing mainly on the homeless issue. **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 11, 2019 – 7:00 A.M. Meeting at Balcones Country Club Call to Order – Brigitte Benguet, President October is Economic and Community



Development Month

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Joe Straub, President, Rodeo Austin

Joe Straub, President of Austin Rodeo. Joe is a partner of Harris & Straub, Austin-based affiliate of James R. Harris Partners, land and residential developers in the Greater Austin area. Austin Rodeo began in 1938 and has provided significant scholarships to area students. Joe will visit with us about the rodeo and about Proposition A, which is on the ballot this November for Travis County voters. Prop A is related to the home of the rodeo, the Travis County Exposition Center and related facilities. For more information, go to: https://rodeoaustin.com/

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

NOTE: Unless otherwise announced, Sunshine Basket proceeds are being donated to PolioPlus.

Greeter: Josh Reeley 50/50 Sales: John Douglas Prayer & Pledge: Mark Puzdrak Humor: Tim Buckley Sunshine Basket: Nancy L-Carssow Setup: Steven Wilson

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

Next Week: Fruit Sale Kickoff

Oct 25 Bruce Byron, TxDOT Update

Jerry Tapley, Movie Making Milestones Nov 1

OCTOBER Birthdays

01: John Voss, Debbie Tam

Don Gonzenbach Beatriz 7ilveti

11 Steve Wilson

Linden Welsch

Virginia Hart Craig

24: Kent Duran

OCTOBER Club Anniversaries

01: Roger von Rosenberg (36)

09: Steve Wilson (4)

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Club Website: http://www.nwaustinrotary.org

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: 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.rotaryeclubone.org Cedar Park-Leander - Wednesday noon @ Hyatt Place NXNE Austin – Wednesday noon @ Casa Chapala

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AT OUR LAST MEETING

Jimmy Flannigan, "City Council Update"

Last week's speaker was Austin City Councilman, Jimmy Flannigan. He addressed Austin's hot button topics, including the homeless issue that Austin, the Nation's 11th largest City, is attempting to address. Jimmy has represented District 6 since January 2017. On another "note." Jimmy was active in the Longhorn Band as leader of the Tuba section and has not missed an alumni band weekend since graduating UT in 2001. For more information, go to: http://www.jimmyflannigan.com/

50/50 Sales: Danny Davila Greeter: Pat O'Farrell Humor: Andy MacFarlane Prayer & Pledge: Steve Welch Sunshine Basket: David Davis Setup: Jim Clements

Member Attendance: 49 (of 84 active) 50:50 Pot Winner: Jack Cochran (\$33)

Rotary Minutes

- Andy MacFarlane is heading a "Share Your Soles" shoe drive for the homeless; needs shoes brought today and next week.
- Kristin spoke about Pints For Polio at Adelbert's on Oct. 24.
- Gary Sellergren reminded us about the 10/18 Fruit Sale Kickoff.
- Kent Miller spoke about donating to a water well in Charlie Harrison's honor.
- Brigitte mentioned the D5870 Rock Star PR Challenge.
- Pat O'Farrell told us about the needs for foreign exchange student Pedro'.

Visiting Rotarians

Roger McLain (Austin Westlake)

Other Visitors & Guests

Club Member Make-ups

Don Shindler - Rotary Cruise (9/4, 9/10, 9/19) Tim Buckley – Cedar Park (10/2) Lee Easter – Austin Downtown (10/1)

Polio Eradication Update (Status as of 10/4/2019) Three new Wild Polio case reported this week!

2019 Polio Cases: Pakistan-69, Afghanistan-16, Nigeria-0 2018 Polio Cases: Pakistan-12, Afghanistan-21, Nigeria-0 Our Goal is Global Polio Eradication!

PolioPlus: Zero Is The Magic Number! Advocate, Donate & Educate to END POLIO NOW & FOREVER! Compiled by Terry Ziegler, Rotary D5890 Polio Eradication Chair



THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

"The world is round so that friendship may encircle it."



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NEWS & EVENTS

UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

NWAR Board Meeting Oct 11 Oct 18 Fruit Sale Kickoff

Oct 24 Club Social - Pints for Polio @ Adelbert's Brewery

Club Social - Paramount Theater Tour Nov 3

Nov 29 NO MEETING – Thanksgiving!

Dec 6 Annual Bluebonnet Trails Christmas Party Science Day at the Bullock Museum Dec 19

Club Holiday Party at The Oasis (details to follow) Dec 20

Upcoming District & International Events

Oct 24 Rotary World Polio Day Nov 11 Rotary Day at the U.N.

Feb 8 Foundation Gala, Sterling Event Center, Austin District Assembly, Central Texas College, Killeen May 1-3 Conference of Clubs, Bevy Hotel, Boerne

June 6-10 RI Convention, Honolulu, HI

Support PolioPlus with a Pint of Two!

Adelbert's Brewery is hosting this year's event. They are donating \$1 for every pint sold to PolioPlus.

Where: Adelbert's Brewery 2314 Rutland Dr #100 Austin, TX 78758 Date: Thursday, October 24th Time: 5:30pm - 8:00pm

Adelbert's also serves a couple of wines by the glass. They also have an awesome food truck onsite offering buy one get one free small plate during happy hour. Here's the link to check out the menu: https://www.thehotboxdiner.com/

Community Service Project - Shoes For Soles

Just a reminder that the Community Services Committee will be collecting any old shoes that you no longer want or wear and distributing them to NW Austin homeless camp residents. So if yu did not bring ivour shoes today, please bring any shoes vou'd like to donate to next week's meeting.

Pedro - Exchange Student

This is to follow up on Pedro and Frank's visit a few weeks ago. Since Pedro is attending Westwood High School, which is near the Balcones Country Club where the NW Austin Rotary Club meets, we are looking for some Rotarians that might be interested in being a host family for Pedro for the Spring Semester. We are also looking for Rotarians that may be able to assist with picking Pedro up after school or that might be willing to take Pedro to an activity that may be your hobby such as sailing, jet skiing, hiking, hockey games, basketball games, soccer games, cave exploring, camping, State Parks, NASA, museums, etc. Frank Ivy - (512) 294-3300 or fivy@austin.rr.com

Jerry Johnson Trust Matching Program Update #10

It was an OK week. We had 8 new donors over the past 7 days and \$6,000 in new contributions. To date, 153 Rotarians representing 36 of our 57 clubs (63%) have contributed a total of \$68,288! (Our final amount last year was \$73,811.) These contributions continue to result in recognition as all but 7 of the 153 contributors have reached a new Paul Harris Fellow level as the result of their participation.

If you're one of the 153 who has already contributed, thank you for vour generosity. Your donation helps The Rotary Foundation create the environment and circumstances that give hope to disadvantaged people both at home and around the whole that a better day is possible.

Please note: All good things must come to an end. We are going to end the match at 5 p.m. on Friday, October 25th. If you have not yet participated but would like to do so, you have only three more weeks.

Update: Two changes on the leader board this week: Killeen Heights made a move, climbing into 3rd Place. This drops Waco to 4th Place and knocks Lakeway/Lake Travis off the leader board.

1st Place: Rotary Club of Austin (\$7,900) 2nd Place: Rotary Club of Pflugerville (\$6,685) 3rd Place: Rotary Club of Killeen Heights (\$6,500) 4th Place: Rotary Club of Waco (\$5,335)

Please remember that the winner of this race will receive 1,000 Foundation Recognition Points to distribute as they see fit.

As a refresher, District 5870 is offering the following to any Rotarian who is already a Paul Harris Fellow but not vet a Paul Harris Fellow +8, on a first come, first served basis. Using a pool of Foundation Recognition Points, we will match contributions of new cash made to the Annual Fund-SHARE during Rotary Year 2019-20 on a 1-to-1 basis in amounts of \$250 to \$500 for any active Rotarian in District 5870 who is not yet a Paul Harris Fellow +8.

Respectfully, Rich Kave, Past District Governor, 2013-14 Assistant Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator, 2018-20 254-291-4890 (Cell)

SCIENCE DAY AT THE BULLOCK MUSEUM

Have a fun time at the Bullock Museum assisting school kids with science experiments. Easy to do and you get to tour the museum afterwards for free. Our volunteer day is 9:30 - 1:30, on Thursday, December 19th. Parking is also free. Sign up for as many hours as you wish. This is a joint project with NxNE Rotary and a good opportunity to volunteer with fellow Rotarians. Contact Nancy Lehmann-Carssow for more information: nlehmanc49@gmail.com