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# ROTARY ROOTER

## ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

### OCTOBER 25, 2019



## 2019-20 CLUB-LEADERS

### OFFICERS

President:	Brigitte Benquet
President-Elect:	Lee Easter
Secretary:	Debbie Tam
Treasurer:	Amity Mercado
Co-Treasurer:	Mark Puzdrak
Sergeant At Arms:	Terral Smith
Immediate Past President:	Beatriz Zilveti
VP Community Service:	Andy MacFarlane
VP International Service:	Audrey Cochran
VP Vocational Service:	Jesus Chavez
VP Youth Service:	Josh Reeley
VP Club Service:	Kristin Stephens
Co-Chair:	Midge Norris
Member-At-Large:	Tim Buckley
Member-At-Large:	Mike Jaggars

### SPECIAL PROJECT CHAIRS

Bulletin	Harold Coleman
Club Historian	Tim Duffee
Communications/Social Media	Midge Norris
Early Act First Knight	Tim Buckley
Endowment Chair	John Voss
Finance Committee	Danny Davila
Tony Thompson, Mark Puzdrak, John Voss	
Foundation Chair	Tad Turpen
Co-Chair	Rick Naylor
Fundraising	Beatriz Zilveti
Membership	Joe Ramirez
Co-Chair	Nancy Lehmann-Carsow
Past Presidents Council	Oliver Smith
Co-Chair	Tony Thompson
Peace Coordinator	Kent Miller
Photographer	Hanspeter Tobler
PolioPlus	John Pearce
Co-Chair	Jim Bieber
Program Committee	David Davis
	Paul Ott
	Tony Thompson
	Jim Clements
	Bob Allen
	Virginia Hart
	Laura Parton

RYLA  
Strategy  
Website  
Weekly Meeting Volunteers



This year's fruit sale will be capably led by Past President Beatriz Zilveti. While she could not be here for last week's kickoff, she will get excellent support from Gary Sellergren (left), ex-Fruit Czar Tom Perkins and President Brigitte Benquet.

photo by Hanspeter Tobler

Rotary  District 5870  
Central Texas

### 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 25, 2019 – 7:00 A.M.

Meeting at Balcones Country Club

Call to Order – Brigitte Benquet, President

***October is Economic and Community Development Month***



**SISTER CLUB:  
MONTERREY  
OBISPADO**

## TODAY'S PROGRAM

### Bruce Byron, TxDOT Update

Today you will be introduced to Bruce Byron, Public Engagement Officer for the Austin District of Texas Department of Transportation. He recently managed the feasibility studies for Loop 360 and RM 620. He will provide us a general overview and study update on plans for RM 620 from the Colorado River bridge to U.S. 183. He will be available during and after the meeting to take questions and take comments. If you would like to share your opinions or comment please email Bruce at [bruce.byron@txdot.gov](mailto:bruce.byron@txdot.gov), visit [txdot.gov](http://txdot.gov) and keyword search: "RM620 Refinement Study" and/or complete the survey at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RM620>

***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: Nancy Lehmann-Carsrow 50/50 Sales: Tom Perkins  
Prayer & Pledge: Fred Morgan Humor: Chris Rink  
Sunshine Basket: Tom Perkins Setup: Tim Duffee

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

**Next Week:** Jerry Tapley, Movie Making Milestones  
Nov 8 Mardi Wareham, "Singing Telegrams of Austin"  
Nov 15 Jeff Hunt, Legend Labs

### OCTOBER Birthdays

01: John Voss, Debbie Tam  
02: Don Gonzenbach  
07: Beatriz Zilveti  
11: Steve Wilson  
18: Linden Welsch  
20: Virginia Hart Craig  
24: Kent Duran



### OCTOBER Club Anniversaries

01: Roger von Rosenberg (36)  
09: Steve Wilson (4)

### WEBSITES TO KNOW:

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

# AFTO!!!

## AT OUR LAST MEETING

### Fruit Sale Kickoff

Last week's meeting kicked off our 2019 Fruit Sale. Chief Fruit Loop Beatriz Zilveti could not be with us, so Gary Sellergren and Tom Perkins laid out the game plan. The Team Captains met with their team to plan strategies for meeting par and avoiding the "Bottom of the Bird Cage Award." For more info, go to our fruit sale website: <http://www.rotaryfruit.org/> and check the Member Area for Very Important Documents, teams, links to our fruit videos and more.

In 1996, the NW Austin Rotary Club embarked upon the first annual fruit sale with sales of \$6,200. Last year's sales topped \$119,000. The fruit sale has provided the funds for the Club to award scholarships, teacher/paraprofessional awards and other various grants back to our Community. This is truly a remarkable effort!

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Prayer & Pledge: Tony Thompson Humor: Kent Miller  
Sunshine Basket: Paul Ott Setup: Jim Clements

Member Attendance: 47 (of 83 active)  
**50:50 Pot Winner:** Debbie Tam (\$35)

### Rotary Minutes

- Andy MacFarlane collected and delivered 200 pairs of shoes for his "Share Your Soles" shoe drive for the homeless, now needs clothes.
- Midge said we need to post an event on the District Calendar.

### Visiting Rotarians

PDG Rich Kaye (Killeen Heights)

### Other Visitors & Guests

Martha Davis (of Midge Norris)

### Club Member Make-ups

Oliver Smith – South Austin (10/2) & SW Austin (10/3)  
Tim Buckley & Debbie Tam – Cedar Park-Leander (10/16)

### Polio Eradication Update (Status as of 10/18/2019)

**No new Wild Polio case reported this week!**

2019 Polio Cases: Pakistan-72, 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

**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.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org)

Locals: Cedar Park-Leander – Wednesday noon @ Hyatt Place

NXNE Austin – Wednesday noon @ Casa Chapala

## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

*"Quality is everyone's responsibility."*

W. Edwards Deming

EVERY  
ROTARIAN  
EVERY  
YEAR

*#1DistrictStrong*

# NEWS & EVENTS

### UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

Oct 24 Club Social – Pints for Polio @ Adelbert's Brewery  
Nov 3 Club Social – Paramount Theater Tour  
Nov 8 NWAR Board Meeting  
Nov 16 Rise Against Hunger With NxNE Rotary @ Casa Chapala  
Nov 29 NO MEETING – Thanksgiving!  
Dec 5 Fruit Delivery  
Dec 6 Annual Bluebonnet Trails Christmas Party  
Dec 19 Science Day at the Bullock Museum  
Dec 20 Club Holiday Party at The Oasis (details to follow)

### Upcoming District & International Events

Nov 11 Rotary Day at the U.N.  
Feb 8 Foundation Gala, Sterling Event Center, Austin  
April 18 District Assembly, Central Texas College, Killeen  
May 1-3 Conference of Clubs, Bevy Hotel, Boerne  
June 6-10 RI Convention, Honolulu, HI

### Service Project Opportunity

For those of you who like "hands on" projects, we have been invited to join NxNE in a Rise Against Hunger project on Saturday, Nov. 16th from 1-5 PM at Casa Chapala. We will measure grains and bag them as complete meals which are sent all over the world. It is a lot of fun, easy to do, and last time we made 10,000 meals! Hope to see you there!

Nancy Lehmann-Carsrow

### About Today's Topic: RM 620 North Study

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is conducting a corridor refinement of Ranch to Market Road 620 (RM 620) from the Colorado River bridge to United States Highway 183 (US 183). The purpose of the corridor refinement, known as the RM 620 North Study, is to further analyze and develop the mobility improvements identified in the previous feasibility study. TxDOT will be hosting an open house in early 2020 to present the design alternatives. The goal of all proposed alternatives is to reduce delay, improve mobility for through traffic and local access, accommodate active transportation modes (walk/bike), and enhance safety.

### Lawyer Parody of Les Miserables

The link below is for Law Miserables, a Les Mis parody with an all-lawyer cast, band, and crew. All proceeds benefit the AYLA Foundation. Instead of the French Revolution, this show chronicles the California invasion of Austin, and the Austinites' subsequent revolution. It's sure to be a fun show. The event is Saturday, October 26th at the Scottish Rite Theater (Lavaca and 18th). Tickets include an open bar. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/27th-annual-bar-grill-tickets-70785267641?aff=eac2>

Thanks! Laura Parton, AKA Cosette

### Jerry Johnson Trust Matching Program Update #12

It was another a FANTASTIC week. We had 24 new donors over the past 7 days and \$14,130 in new contributions. To date, 186 Rotarians representing 37 of our 57 clubs (65%) have contributed a total of \$87,781! (Our final amount in last year's Limited Time Offer was \$73,811)

If you're one of the 186 who has already contributed, thank you for your 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. As noted last week, we are going to end the match at 5 PM. today, October 25th.

Update: For the first time in 8 weeks, we have a new leader: Killeen Heights made a HUGE move this week, moving up into 1st Place:

- 1st Place: Rotary Club of Killeen Heights (\$13,295)
- 2nd Place: Rotary Club of Austin (\$10,400)
- 3rd Place: Rotary Club of Waco (\$6,770)
- 4th Place: Rotary Club of Pflugerville (\$6,685)

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 yet a Paul Harris Fellow +8, on a first come, first served basis. Using a pool of TRF 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 Kaye, PDGovernor, 2013-14, 254-291-4890 (C)  
Assistant Regional Rotary TRF Coordinator, 2018-20

### Lanier BarBQ Available

The Lanier FFA is preparing for nationals and will not be able to cook for the public this month. However, they will cook the first week in November. If you are interested in purchasing some of their BBQ, email Tracey and he will put you on their notification list. [tracey.cortez@austinsid.org](mailto:tracey.cortez@austinsid.org)

Thanks, Nancy Lehmann-Carsrow

### 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-Carsrow for more information: [nehmanc49@gmail.com](mailto:nehmanc49@gmail.com)