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# ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN November 8, 2019



## 2019-20 CLUB-LEADERS

### OFFICERS

President:	Brigitte Benquet
President-Elect:	Lee Easter
Secretary:	Debbie Tam
Treasurer:	Amity Mercado
Co-Treasurer	Mark Puzdrak
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Co-Chair	Midge Norris
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Member-At-Large	Mike Jagers

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Club Historian	Tim Duffee
Communications/Social Media	Midge Norris
Early Act First Knight	Tim Buckley
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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

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Weekly Meeting Volunteers



Community Services VP Andy MacFarlane tells us about his successful shoes and clothing drive for the homeless at last week's meeting.  
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, November 8, 2019 – 7:00 A.M.

Meeting at Balcones Country Club

Call to Order – Brigitte Benquet, President

***November is Rotary Foundation Month***



**SISTER CLUB:  
MONTERREY  
OBISPADO**

## TODAY'S PROGRAM

### Mardi Wareham, "Singing Telegrams of Austin"

Today's speaker is Ms. Mardi Wareham, chief performer and CEO of Singing Telegrams of Austin. Mardi will help us all "Unleash Your Inner Gorilla" with stories of her 8 years in the singing telegram business. Her presentation promises to be humorous and entertaining and if we all pay attention, she will be very helpful in helping us to look for new challenges in our professional and personal lives. As a result of our listening and participating, Mardi hopes our daily lives will be more aligned with our personal goals and dreams so pay attention! If you wish to contact Mardi, she can be reached at singingtelegramsofaustin.com or by phone at 512-297-9251. Her website is: <http://www.singingtelegramsofaustin.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: Pat O'Farrell 50/50 Sales: Rick Naylor  
Prayer & Pledge: Lee Easter Humor: Chris Rink  
Sunshine Basket: Rick Hoffman Setup: Steve Wilson

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

**Next Week:** Jeff Hunt, Legend Labs

Nov 22 Pat O'Farrell, "For The Love of Ireland"

Nov 29 **NO MEETING – THANKSGIVING!**

## NOVEMBER Birthdays

02: Tom Applegate  
05: Mike Jagers  
07: Rick Hoffman  
09: Jerry McCulley  
13: Duane Johnson  
23: Tim Buckley, Jim Bieber 26: Midge Norris  
25: Brigitte Benquet 28: Jim White



## NOVEMBER Club Anniversaries

01: David Davis (36)  
02: Kevin Lancaster (12), Kim Krahn (18)  
03: Dick Hamilton (13)  
11: Debbie Tam (3)  
18: Kristin Stephens (8)  
22: Greg Rabaey (6)

### 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/>

## AT OUR LAST MEETING

### Jerry Tapley, Movie Making Milestone

Last week we heard Bruce speak and provide an update and a general overview of the plans for RM 620.

At last week's meeting, we were introduced to Jerry Tapley. Jerry grew up in a small ranching community south of San Antonio and spent countless Saturday mornings at the Rio Theater where his lifelong love affair with the movies began. He enjoyed a successful career in film and television production and 31 years in sales, marketing and public relations with the company that invented audio and videotape, 3M. In that capacity, he has consulted with the major television networks and Hollywood film studios. For more information, go to: <https://www.guidestar.org/profile/23-1630073>

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Prayer & Pledge: Kent Miller Humor: Andy MacFarlane  
Sunshine Basket: Angela Caffey Setup: Mike Moser

Member Attendance: 51 (of 83 active)

**50:50 Pot Winner:**

### Rotary Minutes

- Mark Puzdrak reminded us about the Paramount theater tour on Nov. 3 and Kristin Stephens about the Faregrounds social to follow.
- Midge updated us on the Rock Star Challenge.

### Visiting Rotarians

N/A

### Other Visitors & Guests

N/A

### Club Member Make-ups



### Polio Eradication Update (Status as of 11/1/2019)

#### Six new Wild Polio case reported this week!

2019 Polio Cases: Pakistan-77, Afghanistan-19, 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 make-up:** [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:

*"Voters don't decide issues, they decide who will decide issues."*

George Will

EVERY  
ROTARIAN  
EVERY  
YEAR

*#1DistrictStrong*

# NEWS & EVENTS

### UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

Today! NWAR Board Meeting  
Nov 13 EAFK Awards Ceremony @ Hart Elementary  
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

### Early Act First Knight Awards Ceremony

The Early Act First Knight awards ceremony will be held on Wednesday, November 13, 2019 at Hart Elementary School located at 8301 Furness Drive. The ceremony will be at 8:30am and 9:30am. For more information please see Tim Buckley.

### 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, 11/16 from 1-5 PM at Casa Chapala. We will measure grains and bag them as complete meals that 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!

### 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](mailto:nlehmanc49@gmail.com)

### Pints For Polio & Paramount Tour Recap

Thanks to all who attended the Pints for Polio event at Adelbert's Brewery! Adelbert's and their food truck vendor contributed \$308.00 to our Polio Fund which was then matched 2:1 by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Additionally Whitestone Brewery contributed a gift card, which we raffled off last Friday bringing in \$80.00.

A fun time was had by all who got together this past Sunday for the private tour of the Paramount Theatre followed by dinner at Fareground!

### Jerry Johnson Trust Matching Program

#### Final Results

The Limited Time Offer is over. We had fantastic participation over the past three months! 194 Rotarians representing 38 of our 57 clubs (67%) contributed a total of \$90,809! Our final amount in last year's Limited Time Offer was \$73,811.

These contributions resulted in 182 contributors reaching a new Paul Harris Fellow level. If you're one of the 194 who contributed, thank you so much 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 we promised, the club that contributed the most will receive 1,000 Foundation Recognition Points to distribute as they see fit. As of today, here is the preliminary final results:  
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)  
5th Place: Rotary Club of Northwest Austin (\$6,606)

Respectfully, Rich Kaye, PDG, 2013-14

### District-wide Service Opportunity

On 13 November, the City of Austin will host its annual Veterans Day luncheon for the 500+ employees of the city who have honorably served in our nation's military. Rudy's BBQ is providing food for the event, but does not have the staff to serve the event participants. This is where the service opportunity arises - they are looking for at least 30 volunteers to work on serving lines for the event. Here are the details:

- WHO: District 5870 Rotarians
- WHAT: Volunteer to serve BBQ lunch to 500+ veterans employed by the City of Austin
- WHERE: Palmer Event Center, Austin
- WHEN: 11 AM to 2 PM, Wednesday, 13 November 2019
- WHY: To serve and honor a very deserving group of people in our community.

"Uniform" for the event will be Rotary gear.

If you are able to participate, please email Bob Crouch at [crouchrs@earthlink.net](mailto:crouchrs@earthlink.net) for a link to a Google Docs Sign-up sheet. Questions may be addressed to Bob Crouch, D5870 Assistant Governor, at (254) 371-9474.