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# ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN January 24, 2020



## 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
Co-Chair	Laura Parton
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



At last week's meeting, Lee Easter introduced the 2020-21 officers, committee chairs and other club leaders to the general membership.  
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, January 24, 2020 – 7:00 A.M.  
Meeting at Balcones Country Club  
Call to Order – Brigitte Benquet, President

**January is Vocational Service Month**



**SISTER CLUB:  
MONTERREY  
OBISPADO**

## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

*"Life's most persistent and urgent question is,  
"What are you doing for others?"*

Martin Luther King

EVERY  
ROTARIAN  
EVERY  
YEAR

*#1DistrictStrong*

## TODAY'S PROGRAM

**Drew Scheberle, Austin Chamber of Commerce  
& Fruit Sale Celebration**

Today's speaker is Drew Scheberle from the Austin Chamber of Commerce. Drew is a Senior Vice President of the Chamber and responsible for Talent Development & Military Affairs. He will speak to us about Austin's new U. S. Army Futures Command that is tasked with helping focus the Army on technology and the requirements of the 21st Century. For info, go to: <https://www.austinchamber.com/>

Today we also celebrate the successes of our fruit sale! We totaled nearly \$106,000 in actual fruit sales and cash donations for the 2019 fundraiser! More than half of club members made par. We have a right to be proud! Tad's tangerines will proudly serve breakfast to the winning team, Steve Welch's Juicers! Congratulations, Steve and the Juicers!

**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: Damon Holditch 50/50 Sales: Dick Hamilton  
Prayer & Pledge: Tony Thompson Humor: Tim Buckley  
Sunshine Basket: Rick Hoffman Setup: Mike Moser

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

**Next Week:** Julia Ricular, "Lanier HS FFA Update"

Feb 7 David Perkins, "TACA Members Build Texas"

Feb 14 Andra Leigh Watkins, "Why I walked 444 Miles"

## JANUARY Birthdays

01: Ditas Hall, Patrick McGuinness  
06: Harold Coleman  
12: Jim Henry  
19: Tim Duffee  
24: Mark Dietz  
25: Ibrahim Fakhreddine  
29: Gail Buckley



## JANUARY Club Anniversaries

01: Harry Polly (37) 10: Tim Duffee (34)  
03: Gary Selligren (1) 13: Mike Jagers (8)  
05: Tad Turpen (2) 15: Stephen Bentley (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/>

## AT OUR LAST MEETING

**David Davis, Classification Talk  
& Club Leaders for 2020-21**

Instead of the Fruit Sale celebration last week, we heard a classification talk from long time member David Davis, who told us of a remarkable case study that occurred early in his career.

Also, incoming President Lee Easter introduced next year's board members, committee chairs and club leaders to the general membership.

Greeter: Laura Goettsche 50/50 Sales: John Pearce  
Prayer & Pledge: Kent Miller Humor: Kent Miller  
Sunshine Basket: Tom Perkins Setup: Jim Clements

Member Attendance: 43 (of 83 active)  
**50:50 Pot Winner:** \$36 (Joe Ramirez)

## Rotary Minutes

- Kevin Lancaster has rodeo tickets for those interested.
- Harold Coleman reminded members one last time about the January club social event on Jan. 21 - Austin Spurs.
- Jim Henry plugged the District Foundation Dinner on Feb. 8.

## Visiting Rotarians

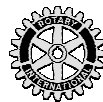
Buck Cole – Downtown Austin

## Other Visitors & Guests

Martyn Bennoti (of Emma Sue Johnson)

## Club Member Make-ups

Tim Buckley – NWAR Board Meeting (1/10) & EAFK (1/15)  
Laura Goettsche – Pflugerville (1/15)



## Polio Eradication Update (Status as of 1/17/2020) 7 new Wild Polio cases reported this week (for 2019)!

2020 Polio Cases: Pakistan-0, Afghanistan-0, Nigeria-0  
2019 Polio Cases: Pakistan-135, Afghanistan-28, 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 makeups:** [www.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org)

Locals: Cedar Park-Leander – Wednesday noon @ Hyatt Place  
NXNE Austin – Wednesday noon @ Casa Chapala

## UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

Today! Fruit Sale Wrap-up/Birdcage Breakfast  
Jan 21 Club Social – Austin Stars at the HEB Center  
Feb 14 NWAR Board Meeting  
Apr 24 Teacher & Paraprofessional OTY Awards  
May 1 Annual NWAR Scholarships Day

## Upcoming District & International Events

Tomorrow Branding & Public Image Training (see details below)  
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

## Branding & Public Image Training

We will be reviewing the foundational tools of Public Image and sharing some new tips and tricks. You will leave inspired and on fire with the knowledge and tools necessary to spread the good works that your club is doing in the community!

Date: January 25th, 2020, from 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Breakfast will be served!

FEE: \$0...zip...nada...nothing!!!

WHO: Open to all Rotarians!

WHAT: Hands on training designed to give you tools and resources for your Club's success. These tools can also be implemented into the success of your business!!!

WHERE: Georgetown Library in the Hewlett Room

402 W. 8th St., Georgetown, TX.

WHY: Come learn how to properly BRAND your Club as the CENTER OF SERVICE in your community through social media, news media, and branding tools in a hands-on environment.

## Final Fruit Sale Totals (by Team)

	Team Captain	Team Name	Total Sales
1	Steve Welch	The Juicers	\$20,261.60
2	Tim Buckley	Buckley's Bombers	\$15,178.00
3	Kevin Lancaster	Fruit Loops	\$13,875.00
4	Josh Reeley	Fantastic Fruit Flingers	\$13,357.00
5	Debbie Tam	The Producers	\$11,831.00
6	Harold Coleman	Harold's Hucksters	\$10,856.00
7	Joe Ramirez	The Orange Crush	\$10,889.00
8	Tad Turpen	Tad's Tangerines	\$ 9,633.00
		Total	\$105,880.60

## Foundation Gala Seats Going Fast!

The registration for the Foundation Gala on Saturday, February 8, 2020 at the Sterling Event Center, Austin is now open. Our guest speaker is Past R.I. Vice President & Past Rotary Foundation Trustee, Tom Thorfinnson. Dress: Business Attire - Black Tie Optional.

There will be an All-Rotarian Social from 6pm to 7pm & the Foundation Gala at 7pm to 10pm. Tickets for the Foundation Gala are \$80. Seating is limited! This event will sell out! Register early: <http://bit.ly/2Y2qvIS>

A club table will be reserved once 5 members have registered.

Hotel Reservation: Crown Plaza - Special room rate \$129 USD/night plus tax. DoubleTree Suites Austin - special room rate \$139 USD/night plus tax

If you have already registered, fantastic! We look forward to seeing you!

Pam Blankenzee, D5870 Website Admin/Social Media Manager

## Rotarians Make Peace

Conflict and violence displaced more than 68 million people in the past year, and half of those are children. We refuse to accept conflict as a way of life. Rotary projects provide training that fosters understanding and provides communities with the skills to resolve conflicts.

Yes, it is true. In the midst of a conflict-torn world, nation and community, our website boldly announces it. That is what we proclaim and that is what we do. Deep in the heart of Rotary is the long push for peace throughout the world in what we believe, what we say, and how we choose to serve.

But often we take for granted our power and our calling to be peacemakers. Rotary clubs in District 5870 have the opportunity to focus on the role of each member and each club to intentionally be peacemakers. Instead of wringing our hands over the conflict, we can grasp hands and enable peace to emerge.

Easy? No. Possible? Yes. First step: schedule one or two programs of your regular meetings to focus on the Rotarian resources and opportunities to "grow peace" where you are, and where you serve. Each club can learn how to become a "peacemaking" organization instead of a bystander in a troubled world. Rotary makes things happen. It starts with you.

Kent Miller, Chairperson, District 5870 "Peace and Conflict Resolution" committee. Email: [kent.kcm@gmail.com](mailto:kent.kcm@gmail.com)