



ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

Friday, January 3, 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:

"Cheers to a new year and another chance for us to get it right."

Oprah Winfrey

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EVERY
YEAR

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TODAY'S PROGRAM

Brigitte Benquet, "Club Assembly"

Happy New Year! To start things off for 2020 we are welcoming one of our own, Robert (Bob) Allen, who will present us with concepts and plans for updating our NWARC Strategic Plan. As you probably know, the Strategic Plan sets the intentions and boundaries for our long-range objectives as a Club. If we have time following Bob's presentation, each of our Vice Presidents of the 5 areas of Service will give us an update on actions so far this Rotary Year and their areas plans for 2020.

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: Larry Eichenbaum 50/50 Sales: Joni Perkins
Prayer & Pledge: Laura Goettsche Humor: Andy MacFarlane
Sunshine Basket: Tony Thompson Setup: Mike Moser

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

Next Week: Pam Catoe, "Austin Craft Beer Review"

Jan 17 Beatriz Zilveti, Fruit Sale Celebration

Jan 24 Susan Engelking, "Micomobility for All"

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)
03: Gary Selligren (1)
05: Tad Turpen (2)
10: Tim Duffee (34)
13: Mike Jagers (8)
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
District 5870: <http://www.rotarydistrict5870.org/>
Rotary International: <http://www.rotary.org/>

AT OUR LAST MEETING

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

At our last meeting, Patrick O'Farrell explained to all the lure of Ireland. Pat showed us slides of wonderful scenery, shared his experiences and told us stories about the Old Country. For more information, go to: <http://www.ireland-information.com/>

Greeter: Rick Hoffman 50/50 Sales: Josh Reeley
Prayer & Pledge: Dick Hamilton Humor: Kent Miller
Sunshine Basket: Lee Easter Setup: Mike Moser

Member Attendance: 40 (of 83 active)

50:50 Pot Winner: \$34 (Jim White)

Rotary Minutes

- The club presented a \$2,877 grant check to Josh Reeley for Families in Transition (FIT).
- Kristin Stephens promoted the Holiday Party one more time.
- Harold Coleman announced that the January social would be an Austin Spurs game at the HEB Center.
- DG Jim Henry promoted the District Foundation dinner on Feb. 8.

Visiting Rotarians

none



Other Visitors & Guests

David Muscovic
Elizabeth Rabaey (of Greg Rabaey)
Phuong Nguyen (of Tim Buckley)

Club Member Make-ups

Tim Buckley – NWAR Board Meeting (12/13)
Josh Reeley – McNeil Interact (12/13)
John Voss – NWAR Board Meeting (12/13)
Bill Estes – Fruit Delivery (12/6-7)

Polio Eradication Update (Status as of 12/26/2019)

No new Wild Polio cases reported this week!

2019 Polio Cases: Pakistan-101, Afghanistan-24, 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

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

UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

Jan 10 NWAR Board Meeting
Jan 15 EAFK @ Hart Elementary, 8:30-10:30 AM
Jan 17 Fruit Sale Wrap-up/Birdcage Breakfast
Jan 21 Club Social – Austin Stars at the HEB Center

Upcoming District & International Events

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

EAFK Knighting Ceremonies Scheduled

There will be two, 1-hour Early Act First Knight Knighting Ceremonies at Hart Elementary School on Wednesday, January 15, beginning at 8:30 AM. All NWA Rotarians are encouraged to attend either one, or both ceremonies.
Tim Buckley

January Social Event – Austin Spurs @ The HEB Center

Please come out with the NW Austin Rotary Club and enjoy an Austin Spurs basketball game at the HEB Center in Cedar Park, 183A & Avenue of the Stars, Jan. 21 at 7:30 PM. We have discounted tickets at \$12 and \$19 in Section 117 reserved in blocks for our club. This will be a fun event for the whole family and we've tried to make it affordable! Go to: <https://groupmatics.events/event/Nwaustin> to order tickets; see Harold Coleman for details. Yes, I realize this is a Tuesday night, but it was the only home game available in late January when we wanted to schedule a club social event and not be too close to the Foundation Dinner in early February.

Foundation Gala Announcement

I wanted to encourage you to attend our District 5870 Rotary Foundation gala in February. In past years, our Rotarians have thoroughly enjoyed the event and last year Josh Reeley was able to work with our members to sponsor some Interact members to attend as well. This year's gala will be especially memorable for our club due to your generous contributions and those of your fellow Rotarians. So please consider registering as seating is limited! Club members will be grouped at a table once at least 5 Rotarians from our club register. Here are the details:

Sterling Event Center
6134 E Hwy 290, Austin 78723
February 8, 2020

Dress: Business attire - black tie optional

Ticket Price - \$80 per person

Seating is limited - Register Early! To register, go to:
<https://www.crsadmin.com/EventPortal/Registrations/PublicFill/EventPublicFill.aspx?evtid=ba7fc1ad-9258-4157-9f00-62b3b95fb663>

Tad Turpen, NWAR Foundation Chair

NEWS & EVENTS

What is EAFK?

EarlyAct FirstKnight (or EAFK) is a daily program for elementary and middle school students that emphasizes the development of high moral character and social/emotional learning. Themed around the exciting world of gallant knights and chivalry from Arthurian literature, EAFK was created by Randall Parr and is designed to be sponsored by participating Rotary Clubs and their community partners.

EAFK helps young students adopt excellent personal qualities that have proven to reduce disciplinary referrals and bullying (up to 75%), as well as reclaimed classroom teaching time (~45 minutes per day). This translates into improved academic performance, more positive interpersonal relationships, a superb learning environment and an exemplary campus culture.

What are the general roles and responsibilities of Rotarians and Schools in an EAFK program?

- Rotarians are to support EAFK at the campuses they sponsor; help set up and facilitate a student service club on campus; participate in all EAFK events and knighting ceremonies; attend and provide guidance at bimonthly, 30-minute student service club meetings; stay in contact with their school and EAFK staff throughout the year; promote EAFK within their Rotary Club/District; and plan for future sustainability. Total Rotarian/sponsor time investment is about 4-7 hours per month, per campus. EAFK staff will provide training for sponsoring Rotary Clubs.

- Schools are to teach our curriculum to all students daily; host one student orientation annually; host six knighting ceremonies annually (at least four for middle schools); invite parental involvement; prioritize and promote EAFK on campus; and work with Rotarians to set up and guide the student service club. All EAFK components are integrated and must be used in conjunction with each other. While certain flexibility is allowed, schools are generally required to conduct the EAFK program as directed for maximum results.

For more information, go to: www.eafk.org

Passing of Ken Krahn

Rotarians, it is with deep regret that I must inform you of the death of our good friend, Ken Krahn. Ken was the devoted husband of our Past President, Kim Krahn. Sadly, Ken passed away on Christmas Eve, a victim of a very aggressive form of incurable skin cancer. Services will be held Saturday, January 4th, 11AM at New Hope Church in South Fork, Colorado. Our Prayers are with Kim and family during this difficult time! Kim's address is 196 Million Ln, South Fork, CO 81154; Cell 719-850-9020.