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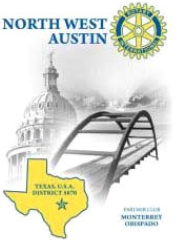
# ROTARY ROOTER

## ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN



ROTARY:  
MAKING A  
DIFFERENCE

APR 20, 2018



### 2017-18 CLUB-LEADERS

#### OFFICERS

President:  
President-Elect:  
Secretary:  
Treasurer:  
Sergeant At Arms:  
Immediate Past President  
VP Club Service

Danny Davila  
Beatriz Zilveti  
Greg Rabaey  
Debbie Tam  
Steven Wilson  
Kevin Lancaster  
Kristin Stephens/  
Scott Isaacson  
Andy MacFarlane  
Audrey & John Cochran  
Jesus Chavez  
Rick Hoffman  
Mark Dietz  
Paul Ott

VP Community Service  
VP International Service  
VP Vocational Service  
VP Youth Service  
Member-At-Large  
Member-At-Large

#### SPECIAL PROJECT CHAIRS

Bulletin/Website  
Communications  
Early Act First Knight  
Endowment Chair  
Foundation  
Fundraising  
Membership  
Past Presidents Council  
Photographer  
PolioPlus  
Program Committee  
Weekly Meeting Volunteers  
Club Historian

Harold Coleman  
Arval Headrick  
Tim Buckley  
John Voss  
Ken Dickensheets  
Sarah Carriker  
Beatriz Zilveti/Arval Headrick  
Kevin Lancaster  
Hanspeter Tobler  
Kent Miller  
David Davis  
Brigitte Benquet  
Tim Duffee



Tom Perkins diligently counts the donations towards the George Lewis Scholarship Fund at last week's meetings. On the table are many of George's famous hats, which you can purchase to support the fund.  
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, April 20, 2018 – 7:00 A.M.

Meeting at Balcones Country Club

Call to Order – Danny Davila, President

***April is Maternal and Child Health Month***



**SISTER CLUB:  
MONTERREY  
OBISPADO**

## TODAY'S PROGRAM

### **Tony Dale – "Texas Legislature Update"**

This Friday Representative Tony Dale will return as our guest speaker. Tony is representative of District 136, which encompasses the area surrounding our club. He has been State Representative since January 2013. Tony is a graduate of Ohio State and served honorably in the U.S. Army. He is a major in the Texas State Guard. In the legislature he has served on the Homeland Security and Public Safety, Energy Resources [serving as Chairman of the House Energy Caucus] and Juvenile Justice and Family Issues [as Vice Chair] Committees. Tony has been endorsed and honored by several organizations for his service in the House. He will provide us a brief recap on the last session along with his thoughts about the upcoming session. For more info, go to:

<http://www.house.state.tx.us/members/member-page/?district=136>

***PLEASE BE RESPECTFULL 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 via Perky the Pig. Please bring your loose change and put it in the jar!**

Greeter: Chuck Space  
Prayer & Pledge: Steve Welch  
Sunshine Basket: Tom Perkins  
50/50 Ticket Sales: Keith Weir  
Setup: Jim Clements  
Humor: Kent Miller

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

**Next Week:** Annual Teacher / Paraprofessional Awards

May 4 Annual Scholarship Awards

May 11 Dr. Craig Franke, "The Opioid Crisis"

## **APRIL Birthdays**

13: Paul Ott  
18: Allan Adams  
30: Bob Allen

**Are there any other April birthdays?**

## **APRIL Club Anniversaries**

03: Marietta Silva (3)  
05: Don Gonzenbach (16)  
15: Bob Allen (13), Steve Welch (13)  
28: Jesus Chavez (12)

### **WEBSITES TO KNOW:**

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

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

### **Cindy Smiley – "Understanding Animals in Public Places"**

Last Friday we heard from Cindy Smiley, a lawyer who is extremely knowledgeable about service animals and guide dogs. Cindy has her undergraduate and law degrees from UT Austin. She practices at the Smiley Law Firm in environmental and water law. Her presentation was titled "When Wagging is Not Enough: Understanding Animal Access to Public Places." Her presentation provided insight into the often confused and misused laws and definitions relating to service animals, emotional support animals and other animals in public places, workplaces, businesses, housing and airplanes. For more information, go to: <http://www.smileylawfirm.com/>

**Last week's Sunshine Basket proceeds were donated to the George Lewis Scholarship Fund; \$775 was donated, raising the total to \$3361 out of the \$5000 goal.**

Greeter: Damon Holditch  
Prayer & Pledge: Keith Weir  
Sunshine Basket: Terral Smith  
50/50 Ticket Sales: Kristin Stephens  
Setup: Steven Wilson  
Humorist Emeritus: Byron Walston

Member Attendance: 53 (of 92 active)

**50:50 Pot Winner:** Jerry McCulley (\$37, donated to the George Lewis Fund))

### **Rotary Minutes**

- Tony encouraged all to give to the George Lewis Scholarship Fund, including today's sunshine basket proceeds.
- Danny reminded us to contribute to the PolioPlus jar as we enter the final months of supporting Kathleen Holiman's project.

### **Visiting Rotarians**

John Tessler – Estes Valley, CO

### **Other Visitors & Guests**

none

### **Club Member Make-ups**

Joe Ramirez – Lanier Scholarships (4/10)

Tim Buckley – NXNE (4/11)

**MAKE-UP MEETING LOCATIONS:** due to frequent changes in club meeting times and places, 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)

## **THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:**

*"No matter what people tell you, words and ideas can change the world."*

Robin Williams

# NEWS & EVENTS

### **UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS**

Apr 25 EAFK Ceremony – Hart Elementary  
Apr 27 Teacher/Paraprofessional Awards  
Apr 27 Social Night @ Esther's Follies  
May 4 Scholarship Awards  
May 11 NWAR Board Meeting  
May 24 EAFK Ceremony – Hart Elementary  
May 26 Spring Party (details to follow)

### **Upcoming District & International Events**

Apr 28 Grant Management Training #3 – Temple College  
May 4-6 District Conference – Eilan Hotel & Resort, San Antonio  
May 26 Grant Management Training #4 – Georgetown  
Jun 9 DG & Club Leaders Installation – The Oasis  
Jun 23-27 RI Convention – Toronto, Canada

### **Celebrate Earth Day 2018 Around Austin**

It's Earth Week 2018! This Sunday, April 22, is the 48th Earth Day and Texas Campaign for the Environment has several ways for you to celebrate and support the environmental movement in Central Texas.

First, this Friday, April 20 is the annual Give 5% event. Over 200 local businesses are donating 5% of their sales from this date to a coalition of nine environmental non-profits, including TCE Fund.

Second, this Saturday, April 21 is the annual Earth Day Austin celebration, hosted for the second consecutive year at Huston-Tillotson University in East Austin. TCE will be there to support key campaigns issues - parks recycling in Austin and stronger pollution standards statewide.

Finally, this Sunday April 22--Earth Day proper--we are excited to be the beneficiaries of the first ever Earth Day Soiree at Sahara Lounge, featuring some incredible local performers, environmental speakers, and mayoral candidates explaining how they will make Austin plastic free. You can RSVP for the event on Facebook.

At TCE, every day is Earth Day. Every day is one where we are dedicated to the task of fighting for a better, cleaner Texas that's safe and healthy to live in. Every year we are thrilled to have the chance to share our commitment with our community and to celebrate the work our movement has done and the vision it carries for the future.

Shop at some Give 5% businesses, come out to Earth Day Austin, and join us at the Earth Day Soiree--we will be excited to see you!

Robin Schneider, TCE Executive Director

PS--One last way to help: go to your nearest HEB and use the tear pad at the register to donate \$1, \$3, \$5, or any combination of those amounts to Earthshare of Texas, that includes TCE Fund! Thank you for your support!

EVERY  
ROTARIAN  
EVERY  
YEAR

### **ARE YOU ON BOARD THE ROTARY EXPRESS YET?**

Our District 5870 Celebration of Clubs (District Conference) is only 2-1/2 weeks away! Our express train is packing a wallop of fun and information for Rotarians and their entire families, including Model train exhibits, a songwriter who creates melodies for military soldiers, a special movie showing of "Some Like it Hot", with special guest stars appearing live. A "Murder on the Rotary Express" mystery theatre, performed by a touring professional theatre group, will cap off Saturday night. Fun and entertainment for all! Register here: <http://bit.ly/2FaBlq0>

Additionally, we'll be offering special breakout sessions to help make your Rotary journey even more successful and enjoyable. Our keynote speaker is a Rotary International PDG, Randy Lickey, who has held a portfolio of roles for both his district and on RI teams in Evanston. He is a fabulous and inspiring speaker.

In the short business meeting you will help set policies to govern our district in the future. Your input is valuable! We'll induct deserving Rotary leaders into our District 5870 Hall of Fame and pay solemn tribute to our fellow Rotarians who have passed away during this Rotary year.

NOW IS THE TIME TO REGISTER AND SECURE YOUR HOTEL RESERVATION FOR \$159 per night. The hotel has agreed to extend our guaranteed-rate room block for one more week, through April 25, because of the hassle and frustration many Rotarians have experienced with the Marriott reservation system, which no longer supports the Eilan Hotel (the hotel was sold to new managers in the midst of our reservation process). So register now and take advantages of this generous 9-day extension on our block! To book your room, contact Monica @ 210.598.2936

Enter the LIKE & COMMENT CONTEST - Win a chance for FREE REGISTRATION!! To enter the contest (must do all 3):

- Register for Conference
- Like the Facebook post for "Like & Comment" contest
- Comment on that same post for "Like & Comment" contest.

Winner will be announced April 30th.

Don't let the train leave the station without you. Register today! ALL ABOARD!

DG Gene Holiman, Rotary District 5870 Governor 2017-18

### **Polio Eradication Update**

For The Week Ending 4/19/2018

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

2018 Polio Cases: Pakistan-1, Afghanistan-7, Nigeria-0

2017 Polio Cases: Pakistan-8, Afghanistan-14, 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

