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# ROTARY ROOTER

## ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

### SEPTEMBER 13, 2019



## 2019-20 CLUB-LEADERS

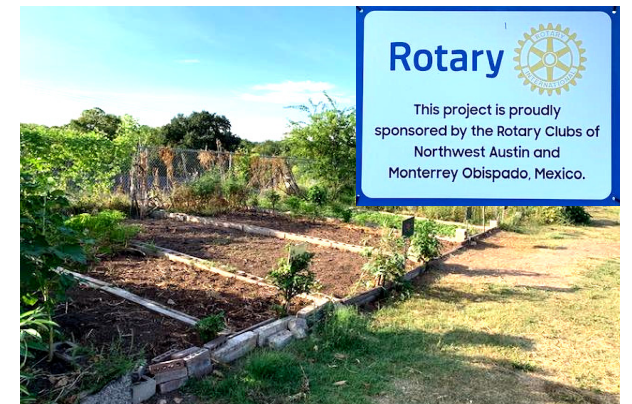
### OFFICERS

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



The Lanier High School Multicultural Refugee Coalition Community Garden, a joint project funded by our club and Monterrey Obispado, is flourishing! The MRC provides garden education and connects refugees to opportunities at local farms. The garden serves as a home for laying hens and honeybees.

photo by Nancy Lehmann-Carsow

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, September 13, 2019 – 7:00 A.M.  
Meeting at Balcones Country Club  
Call to Order – Brigitte Benquet, President

**September is Basic Education & Literacy Month**



**SISTER CLUB:  
MONTERREY  
OBISPADO**

## TODAY'S PROGRAM

**Anisa Lloja – "Rotary Connects the World:  
From Tirana to Austin"**

Today, Anisa Lloja will demonstrate first hand how Rotary Connects the World: From Tirana to Austin. "Nji Mar, Nji Mrapsh" is a strange name, but she will explain what it means. Anisa is a native of Albania the home country of the city of Tirana. She will introduce us to the Young Transatlantic Innovation Leaders Initiative (YTILI), which is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State and supported by the German Marshall Fund of the United States. Learn how YTILI came to make it to Austin and what Anisa has learned during her weeklong stay in our Community. For more information, go to: <http://www.gmfus.org/ytili-fellowship>

**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: Harry Polly                      50/50 Sales: John Douglas  
Prayer & Pledge: Lee Easter              Humor: Chris Rink  
Sunshine Basket: Tony Thompson      Setup: Steve Wilson

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

**Next Week:** Kinaalwa Ssenakula and Susanne Wilson, "Uganda, PACT & Water to Thrive"

Sep 27 Sen. Charles Schwertner, "Legislative Insights"  
Oct 4 TBD

## SEPTEMBER Birthdays

06: Lee Easter  
09: Nancy Lehmann-Carsso  
11: David Davis  
13: Fred Morgan  
22: Kent Miller  
27: John Knifton, Jim Clements



## SEPTEMBER Club Anniversaries

01: Ray Roark (39), Damon Holditch (38)  
02: George Kissinger (8)  
03: Gail Buckley (9)  
04: Mark Dietz (21)  
17: Mike Moser (9)  
24: Patrick McGuinness (9)  
28: Laura Parton (1)

## WEBSITES TO KNOW:

Club Website: <http://www.nwaustinrotary.org>  
Club Facebook Page: <http://www.facebook.com/nwaustinrotary>  
Club Fruit Sale Website: [rotaryfruit.org](http://www.rotaryfruit.org)  
District 5870: <http://www.rotarydistrict5870.org/>  
Rotary International: <http://www.rotary.org/>

## AT OUR LAST MEETING

**Nicole Halder, "Wonders & Worries"**

At last week's meeting, Nicole visited with us today about Wonders & Worries, a Texas-based nonprofit that provides free, professional mental health support for children and teens who face the trauma of a serious parental illness. Since its founding in 2001, Wonders & Worries has supported 8,600 individuals. Nicole's personal focus is in helping create outstanding services for children in challenging environments. A multi-degree educational background along with extensive practice as a teacher has provided Nicole with the education and experience to meet her passion for helping children. For more information, go to: <https://www.wondersandworries.org/>

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Sunshine Basket: Joe Ramirez                  Setup: Jim Clements

Member Attendance: 43 (of 86 active)

**50:50 Pot Winner:** Mark Dietz (\$44)

## Rotary Minutes

- Pedro Climent, a Spanish foreign exchange student, and host Frank Ivy spoke about needing a second host family for the second semester and activities where we might include Pedro.

## Visiting Rotarians

Roger McLain – Austin Westlake  
Frank Ivy – NXNE Austin

## Other Visitors & Guests

Pedro Climent (of Frank Ivy)

## Club Member Make-ups

Tim Buckley – Cedar Park-Leander (9/4)



## Polio Eradication Update (Status as of 9/12/2019)

**Five new Wild Polio case reported this week!**

2019 Polio Cases: Pakistan-62, 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:

*"The object of the superior man is truth."*

Confucius

*#1DistrictStrong*

EVERY  
ROTARIAN  
EVERY  
YEAR

# NEWS & EVENTS

## UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

Today! NWAR Board Meeting  
Sep 26 House of Friends Luncheon (details to follow)  
Oct 18 Fruit Sale Kickoff  
Oct 24 Club Social – Pints for Polio  
Nov 29 NO MEETING – Thanksgiving!  
Dec 6 Annual Bluebonnet Trails Christmas Party  
Dec 20 Club Holiday Party at The Oasis (details to follow)

## Upcoming District & International Events

Oct 24 Rotary World Polio Day  
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

## Jerry Johnson Trust Matching Program Update #6

Just a short update this week: 9 new donors over the past 7 days and \$3,240 in contributions. To date, 117 Rotarians representing 30 clubs have contributed a total of \$49,483! All but 8 of the 117 contributors have reached a new Paul Harris Fellow level as the result of their participation.

Update: There was no change in the leader board this week. The Rotary Club of Austin remains in the lead (\$6,900) with Pflugerville close behind in 2nd place (\$6,235). Waco is in 3rd Place (\$3,275), and Lakeway/Lake Travis is now in 4th Place (\$2,995). Please remember that the winner of this race will receive 1,000 Foundation Recognition Points to distribute as they see fit.

The match will continue until we run out of points. As of today, a little under 60% of the match pool has been used, and we continue to estimate that the pool will be used up sometime in mid-to-late October.

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. Using a pool of Foundation 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.

Please note: These matches are limited to one per donor and will be processed on a first come, first served basis.

Respectfully, Rich Kaye, Past District Governor, 2013-14  
Assistant Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator, 2018-20  
254-291-4890 (Cell)

## The Marshall Plan

German Chancellor Angela Merkel reiterated the power of international cooperation for creating "win-win situations." Speaking in Berlin at an event hosted by The German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMF) celebrating the 70th anniversary of the Marshall Plan, Chancellor Merkel underscored, "The Marshall Plan showed how politics is to be understood with common convictions and values, and how it can work for all. When we stand up for shared values, we have peace and prosperity."

The Marshall Plan was an audacious, innovative strategy to tackle the most pressing challenges of its time. Breaking Western Europe's cycle of conflict and rebuilding economies devastated by World War II was an immense task, and the Marshall Plan is a concrete example of the scale of change made possible by bold thinking and international cooperation.

The spirit of the Marshall Plan is as needed now as it was over 70 ago. The values that the Marshall Plan represents and that GMF is dedicated to promoting - democracy, free enterprise, universal respect for all - are as essential in addressing today's challenges as they were in 1947. The Marshall Plan still serves as a source of hope because it demonstrated that with shared purpose we can overcome seemingly insurmountable problems.

Initiated in June of 1947 by then-U.S. Secretary of State George Marshall, the Marshall Plan was integral to reconciling Germany with the rest of Europe, rebuilding European economies after the devastation of World War II, and establishing the institutions that have underpinned transatlantic security and prosperity for the past 70 years.

Established on the 25th anniversary of the Marshall Plan with a gift from the German government, GMF has strengthened transatlantic cooperation in the spirit of the Marshall Plan for the last 45 years. Chancellor Merkel celebrated GMF's work saying, "For Germany, GMF helps to understand the American spirit. And, GMF helps Americans understand our country." She continued, "For more than 45 years, GMF has served as a transatlantic exchange, building mutual understanding, providing information, clarifying positions, and identifying commonalities."

## Club Services Committee Meeting

If you are interested in getting involved with a committee that would only have a small time commitment, then please join us Friday, September 20, after the regular meeting wraps up. We will be holding a Club Services meeting to discuss the upcoming year of events and would love to have new ideas and involvement. Hope to see you there!

Kristin Stephens & Midge Norris, Club Service Co-Chairs