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ROTARY ROOTER

ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

SEPTEMBER 20, 2019



2019-20 CLUB-LEADERS

OFFICERS

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| 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

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| 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 |

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Charlie was a long-time member of both NW Austin Rotary and Hope Presbyterian Church. He was committed to both and readily offered his "Service Above Self" as an expression of his Christian faith and his devotion to the ends and purpose of Rotary. Members of both the church and our club have suggested we memorialize Charlie by jointly funding a water well in his honor.

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 20, 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

**Geoffrey Kinaalwa Ssenakula and Susanne Wilson,
"Uganda, PACT & Water to Thrive"**

Our program today features Geoffrey Kinaalwa Ssenakula, Executive Director of Partners for Community Transformation (PaCT) in Uganda. He comes to us as a partner with Water to Thrive, and is the guest of Executive Director, Susanne Wilson. It is through Water to Thrive that we do our Rotary global grants providing water wells in Ethiopia. But Water to Thrive also does work in Uganda and Tanzania. PaCT is the agency in Uganda that works with Susanne to provide the water wells. Geoffrey's organization is multipurpose, not only providing water development, but education, women and children's rights, quality health care, and economic development and empowerment. For more information, go to: <https://www.pactug.org/aboutus.html>

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: George Kissinger 50/50 Sales: Midge Norris
Prayer & Pledge: Oliver Smith Humor: Tim Buckley
Sunshine Basket: Laura Parton Setup: Mike Moser

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

Next Week: Sen. Charles Schwertner, "Legislative Insights"

Oct 4 Jimmy Flannigan, "City Council Update"

Oct 11 Joe Straub, President Rodeo Austin

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
District 5870: <http://www.rotarydistrict5870.org/>
Rotary International: <http://www.rotary.org/>

AT OUR LAST MEETING

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

At last week's meeting, Anisa Lloja demonstrated first hand how Rotary Connects the World: From Tirana to Austin. "Nji Mar, Nji Mrapsh" is the name of her successful consignment market in her home city of Tirana, Albania. She told us about 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. For more information, go to: <http://www.gmfus.org/ytili-fellowship>

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

Member Attendance: 48 (of 86 active)
50:50 Pot Winner: Midge Norris (\$30.50)

Rotary Minutes

- Midge Norris announced our support of the Rock Star Challenge, and urged us to log in, like & share her post on our Facebook page.
- Amity Mercado said there is an ALOE silent auction online.

Visiting Rotarians

none

Other Visitors & Guests

none

Club Member Make-ups

Tim Buckley – Cedar Park-Leander (9/11)



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

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

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

"Rather fail with honor than succeed by fraud."

Sophocles

#1DistrictStrong

NEWS & EVENTS

UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

Today Club Service Committee Meeting
Sep 26 House of Friends Luncheon (details to follow)
Oct 11 NWAR Board Meeting
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 #7

It was another AMAZING week! I continue to marvel at the generosity of District 5870 Rotarians. We had 14 new donors over the past 7 days and \$6,725 in new contributions. To date, 131 Rotarians representing 33 of our 57 clubs have contributed a total of \$56,208! These contributions continue to result in recognition as all but 6 of the 131 contributors have reached a new Paul Harris Fellow level as the result of their participation.

Update: There was one change in the leader board this week.

- 1st Place: Rotary Club of Austin (\$7,900)
 - 2nd Place: Rotary Club of Pflugerville (\$6,235)
 - 3rd Place: Rotary Club of Waco (\$3,555)
 - 4th Place: Rotary Club of West Austin (\$3,000) (passing Lakeway)
- 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 over 70% of the match pool has been used, and we 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, on a first come, first served basis. 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.

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

EVERY
ROTARIAN
EVERY
YEAR

A Fitting Memorial to Charlie Harrison

North West Austin Rotary Club and Hope Presbyterian Church will provide a water well as a memorial to Charlie Harrison. Charlie was a long-time member of both North West Austin Rotary Club and Hope Presbyterian Church. He was committed to both and readily offered his "Service Above Self" as an expression of his Christian faith and his devotion to the ends and purpose of Rotary.

Mutual members of both the club and the church have suggested a fitting memorial to Charlie for what he meant to all of us over the years would be to jointly fund a dedicated water site in Charlie's name as part of our Rotary Club's "Water Wells for Healthy Communities" global grant in Ethiopia. Providing accessible, clean water that gives life for hundreds of children and families over the next decades would honor his commitment to love and serve others.

Hope Presbyterian Church as already committed to funding half of the memorial water site, \$3000. NWARC members now are invited to make a donation for this memorial. It is easily done:

1. Donate, a check, to the Annual Fund of "The Rotary Foundation" for your account. You will get your contribution matched, receive Paul Harris credit for the total, and the project will get the amount of your donation credited to the water site. Checks must be given to Taylor "Tad" Turpin on Friday, Sept 20 through October 30, after which they will be sent to The Rotary Foundation.

2. Donate, a check, to North West Austin Rotary Club, "for water site" on the line, and it will go directly to the fund for the water site and it will be matched for at least 50%. This may be done anytime through January 2020. Give checks to Kent Miller, Oliver Smith, or Hanspeter Tobler. THANK YOU!

Kent Miller & Tad Turpin

Rotarians Serving Lunch at House of Friends

Rotarians are invited to serve lunch at House of Friends on Thursday, September 26. We need 3 or 4 people from noon until 1:30 PM to help set the tables, serve the meal and clean up afterwards. Rotarians are invited to eat lunch and socialize with the group during the meal. If you come early, you can observe and participate in some of the day's activities

House of Friends meets at Bethany UMC at the corner of Anderson Mill Rd. and Swallow Dr. It is held on the 3rd floor of the Disciple Building in the room next to the elevator. For questions or directions call Tim Duffee at 512-619-9202.