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ROTARY ROOTER

ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

JAN 26, 2018




ROTARY: MAKING A DIFFERENCE

2017-18 CLUB-LEADERS

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

Danny Davila
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Debbie Tam
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Kevin Lancaster
Kristin Stephens/
Scott Isaacson
Andy MacFarlane
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VP Youth Service
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Bulletin/Website
Communications
Early Act First Knight
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Membership
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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



The Early Act First Knight (EAFK) program at Hart Elementary, led by Tim Buckley, has been a resounding success. In this photo, Joe Ramirez congratulates a newly knighted student at this week's ceremony. 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 26, 2018 – 7:00 A.M.

Meeting at Balcones Country Club

Call to Order – Danny Davila, President

January is Rotary Awareness Month

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Kristen Keener, Advances in Audiology

Today's speaker is Dr. Kristen Keener, the founder of IlluminEar Audiology. Over 35 million adults experience hearing loss; and nearly 50 million experience tinnitus, or ringing in the ears. Kristen will present real patient stories of diagnosis and treatment for these common conditions that recent studies have shown to have profound effects on cognitive health and quality of life. Unlike treatments from just five or ten years ago, new options and technology have been developed that better address hearing loss, hearing conservation and reversing hearing loss. Kristen is a well-credentialed audiologist with both Master's and Doctorate degrees. For more information, go to: <https://www.illuminear.com/>

PLEASE BE RESPECTFULL TO OUR SPEAKERS: TURN CELL PHONES OFF OR TO VIBRATE AND LISTEN! THANK YOU!

Greeter: Ibrahim Fakhreddine
Prayer & Pledge: Kent Miller
Sunshine Basket: Jim Henry
50/50 Ticket Sales: Tad Turpen
Setup: David Benjamin
Humor: Andy MacFarlane

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

Next Week: Stephen H. Murdoch, Population Change & Implications

Feb 9 Kent Miller, Water Wells in Ethiopia

Feb 16 Darden Smith, Song Writing for Soldiers

JANUARY Birthdays

- 01: Ditas Hall, Patrick McGuinness, Tim O'Brien
- 06: Harold Coleman
- 12: Jim Henry
- 19: Tim Duffee
- 22: Ken Dickensheets
- 24: Mark Dietz
- 25: Ibrahim Fakhreddine
- 29: Gail Buckley
- 31: Carla Young



JANUARY Club Anniversaries

- 01: Corey Ryan (5), Harry Polly (35)
- 10: Tim Duffee (32)
- 13: Mike Jaggers (6)
- 15: Stephen Bentley (2)
- 20: Byron Walston (1)
- 31: Salvador Apud (4)

WEBSITES TO KNOW:

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

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

Danny Davila, 2017 Tax Bill Summary

This past December, Congress passed and the President signed into law a significant change to our federal tax code. At last week's meeting, current NWAR President Danny Davila presented us an overview of the changes to the tax code. He provided us a brief outline of the changes and then answered questions of general interest. Danny is a Certified Public Accountant, Certified Retirement Counselor and Personal Financial Specialist with Austin Wealth Management, LLC where he serves as the Managing Partner. For more information, go to: <http://austinwealthmgmt.com/staff/danny-davila-iii-cpa/>

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50/50 Ticket Sales: Lee Easter
Setup: Jim Clements
Humorist Emeritus: Tim Buckley

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!

Member Attendance: 56 (of 93 active)

50:50 Pot Winner: Jim Henry (\$42)

Rotary Minutes

- Midge Norris gave her classification talk.
- Kristin reminded us of the club social at Austin Beerworks on Jan. 24 and the Little Red Bag PACT project on Feb. 10.
- President Danny Davila presented a PHF+3 award to Jim Henry.
- Danny announced that Feb. 10 is Rotary Arbor Day. Every Rotarian is encouraged to plant a tree.

Visiting Rotarians

John Tessler – Estes Valley, CO

Other Visitors & Guests

Dan Harriman (of Tim O'Brien)

Amity Mercado (of Steve Wilson)

Club Member Make-ups

John Voss – NWAR Board Meeting (1/19)

Bill Estes – Holiday Party (12/15) & Fruit Delivery

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 makeup: www.rotaryclubone.org

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

"It is not how old you are, but how you are old."

Jules Renard

NEWS & EVENTS

UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

- Feb 9 NWAR Board Meeting
- Feb 10 Little Red Bag Project, Tio Loco & HC Bible Church
- Feb 28 EAFK Ceremony – Hart Elementary
- Apr 25 EAFK Ceremony – Hart Elementary
- May 24 EAFK Ceremony – Hart Elementary

Upcoming District Events & Important Dates

- Feb 3 District Foundation Gala, La Fontera, Round Rock
- Feb 10 D5870 Arbor Day
- Mar 1-4 Lone Star PETS
- Apr 14 District Assembly – Central TX College, Killeen
- May 4-6 District Conference – Eilan Hotel & Resort, San Antonio
- Jun 23-27 RI Convention – Toronto, Canada

Polio Eradication Update

For The Week Ending 1/25/2018

One new Wild Polio cases reported this week!

2018 ('17) Polio Cases: Pakistan-0 (8), Afghanistan-1 (14), Nigeria-0 (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

A Sad Day in Pakistan - I'm sorry to report that two of our brave female Polio Vaccinators lost their lives in Quetta, the capital of the Balochistan province of Pakistan on Thursday, January 18, 2018. Sakina Bibi and her daughter, Rizwama, age 16, were giving Oral Polio Vaccine drops to children as part of a major vaccination campaign there when two gunmen on a motorcycle opened fire. The Balochistan Chief Minister, Mir Abdul Qudus Bizenjo, condemned the shooting as an act of "cowardice and terrorism" and added "an attack on those working to serve the people is an attack on humanity." The slain vaccinators comprised one of the 110,000 Polio vaccination teams working in Pakistan last week. Experts have suggested that the attack may have been directed at the Pakistani government rather than directly at vaccinators. Pakistani Prime Minister, Shahid Khaqan Abbasi ordered authorities in Balochistan to step up security around the Polio vaccination teams. The last Polio case in Pakistan was reported on 11/14/17.

From RI President Ian Riseley - "In the 113 years since that first meeting, Rotary has become far larger, and more diverse, than those founding members could have conceived. We have gone from an organization that was all white and all male to one that welcomes women and men of every possible background. We have become an organization whose stated purpose is service, reflected in our motto, Service Above Self. And we have become not only an organization that is capable of changing the world, but one that has already done so, through our work to eradicate Polio."

Club Services Upcoming Event

February 10th – Community Service Project and Lunch

Let's get together for lunch at Tio Loco Tex Mex Restaurant on February 10th! The Little Red Bag Packing Party will follow if you would like to attend or you can also participate by contributing an item for the bags.

Details for lunch: Date: February 10th, Time: 12:00pm, Location: Tio Loco Tex Mex @ 11620 RR 620 (near Anderson Mill Road), Cost: \$10 - \$12 buffet lunch; alcoholic beverages not included.

Please confirm your attendance with Kristin Stephens.

Details for the Little Red Bag Packing Party (please sign-up using the link below if you plan to attend): Date: February 10th, Time: 2:00 - 4:00pm (it's not required that you stay the entire time), Location: Hill Country Bible Church, Building B, Cost: Free!

We can help spread the LOVE this Valentine's Day by joining PACT (Partners Against Child Trafficking) for their Little Red Bag event. The bags will be stuffed with donations of small individually wrapped snacks, small toys, kid's toothbrushes, nail polish, body lotion, shower gel, shampoo, hand lotion, art supplies and a small box of chocolates. They will be delivered to the Center for Child Protection, the Salvation Army downtown shelter, and the Austin Shelter for Women and Children on February 14th.

If you plan to attend the packing party please sign up here:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/little-red-bag-tickets-41245605717?aff=es2>

Rotary Arbor Day in District 5870

Don't forget that February 10 is Arbor Day in District 5870. Our goal, paralleling RI President Ian Riseley's initiative, is for each club to plant one tree for EACH of its members, on that day or around that date. Mayor Steve Adler has declared February 10 as Rotary Arbor Day in Austin, so let's all work together to capitalize on this opportunity for publicity. There's a free tree program as described here:

<http://www.treefolks.org/nw/>

I have a pickup and would be happy to pick up and deliver for anyone interested. I'm sure that Lee Easter would make the same offer with his palatial Cadillac!

Also, the code for donating blood in the name of NWA Rotary is B113. I'll take anyone who wants to go when I go.

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