

THE ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN SPONSORS

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Hanspeter Tobler & Oliver Smith
Kent Miller
David Davis
Sheila Allee-Kershaw
Brigitte Benquet



A great time was had by all at last Saturday's Progressive Dinner. Thanks to Nancy & Ben, Michelle & David, and Tom & Jerre for opening up their homes for the event.

photo by Hanspeter Tobler

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, October 23, 2015 – 7:00 A.M.

Meeting at Balcones Country Club

Call to Order – Sarah Carriker, President

October is Vocational Service Month

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Tyler Buckingham, New Travis County Civil/Family Courthouse

Tyler will be visiting with us about the Travis County Courthouse Bond Election. A few points in preparation for his visit: How old is the current courthouse: Franklin Roosevelt was in his first term of office; 70,000 people lived in Travis County; we had three district courts and threats of violence only occurred when bootleggers brought in booze in violation of Prohibition which didn't end for another two years. Tyler will let you know why Austin deserves a new courthouse and why Sarah Eckhardt, Democratic County Judge and Gerald Daugherty, Republican County Commissioner agree. For more information, go to: <http://newcourtsforfamilies.com/newsfeed>

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

Greeter: John Voss
Prayer & Pledge: Wayne Thompson
Sunshine Basket: Paul Ott
50/50 Ticket Sales: Beatriz Zilveti
Setup: Kevin Lancaster

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

Next Week: Phil Brewer, "Cedar Park Economic Development"

Nov 6: Trudy Marshall, "Libraries Of Love"

Nov 13: Chief Kim Vickers, "Outlaw Motorcycle Clubs"

OCTOBER Birthdays

01: John Voss
02: Don Gonzenbach
18: Linden Welsch
20: Virginia Hart
24: Kent Duran, Homer Goering
28: Ray Roark
31: Michelle Berger



OCTOBER Club Anniversaries

01: George Lewis (34)
01: Roger von Rosenberg (32)

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/>

MAKE-UP MEETING LOCATIONS:

due to clubs frequently changing their 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

AT OUR LAST MEETING

Adan Ballesteros, Travis County Constable

Last week we held an informal meeting at Rudy's with no speaker and no bulletin. At our last regular meeting the week before, our speaker was Adan Ballesteros, Travis County Precinct 2 Constable. The Constable Precinct 2 command staff is committed to serving the Precinct 2 community and its constituents. Precinct 2 is a unique community that values integrity, service, creativity, excellence, responsibility, and accomplishment. Enriched by our diversity and our engagement with one another, we take pride in our shared traditions and varied experiences. For more information, go to:

<https://www.traviscountytexas.gov/constables/2/command-staff>

Greeter: George Kissinger
Prayer & Pledge: Kevin Lancaster
Sunshine Basket: George Lewis
50/50 Ticket Sales: Travis Sparkman
Setup: Beatriz Zilveti
Humorist Emeritus: Homer Goering

NOTE: Unless otherwise announced, Sunshine Basket proceeds are split between PolioPlus and TRF Annual Fund.

Member Attendance: 42 @ Rudy's / 43 prior week (of 86 active)

50:50 Pot Winner: Chuck Durant – 2 weeks in a row! (\$19)

Rotary Minutes

- Tim Buckley inducted Steve Wilson, sponsored by Sarah Carriker. Steve is owner of Elite Metal & Fence Company.
- Larry Eichenbaum reminded everyone about the progressive dinner on Oct. 17.
- President Carriker presented a \$3,000 grant to Susie Peterson of the House of Friends.

Visiting Rotarians

Jaime Ordenez
Steve Gore & Adan Ballesteros - Pflugerville
Roger McLain – Austin Westlake



Other Visitors & Guests

Joe Burke (of Henry Mayes)
Steve Wilson (of Sarah Carriker)
Harry Polly
Roger Rose (of Virginia Hart)

Club Member Make-ups

Sheila Kershaw – NWAR Board Meeting (10/9)
Bill Estes – committee meetings (10/12) & (10/16)
Gene Holiman – Bastrop (10/6) & Burnet (10/7)
Jack & Audrey Cochrane – Bee Cave (9/15) & University (9/21)
Kent Miller – Rotary Shindig (10/1) & Foundation Committee (10/9)
Ken Dickensheets – NWAR Board Meeting & Foundation Committee (10/9)

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

"I look for what needs to be done. After all, that's how the universe designs itself."

R. Buckminster Fuller

EVERY
ROTARIAN
EVERY
YEAR

NEWS & EVENTS

UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

Nov 13	NWAR Board Meeting
Dec 3	Fruit Unloading Party
Dec 11	Bluebonnet Trails Christmas Breakfast Party
Dec 18	NWAR Holiday Party
Jan 21	Sox & Boxers Tournament
Feb 7	Super Bowl Tailgate Party
Apr 17	Lake Party, Mayes Estate
Jun 17	Club Installation Picnic

Upcoming District Events & Important Dates

Oct 24	Pints for Polio
Feb 6	District Foundation Dinner, North Austin Marriott
Jun 23-26	District Conference, Horseshoe Bay Resort

World Polio Day

Wow! Look at this:

23
51
241
100
35,000,000
===

23 October is World Polio Day.

51 cases of endemic polio so far in 2015

241 cases of endemic polio in 2014

\$100 donation to polio gets tripled by Gates Foundation

35,000,000 children vaccinated in September in Pakistan

=== We are this... close to ending polio!

Today is World Polio Day! Rotarians around the world will do the work we are doing together.

3 x \$100 - The Gates Foundation will triple our donations! Can you make your donation to PolioPlus today?

35 million - It is true. Thanks to all Rotarians 35 million children were reached with polio vaccines during the September campaigns in Pakistan. Nearly 3 million children who were previously missed were vaccinated during the catch up days following this campaign.

For more about our Rotary Polio story and an easy way to make your donation on this great day go to: <http://www.endpolio.org/worldpolioday>

The children thank you.

Rotary thanks you.

Our club thanks you.

Kent Miller, NWAR PolioPlus Chair

Bastrop Fire Update

As most of you know by now Bastrop County is in Rotary District of Central Texas 5870. Wednesday, wildfires started burning in Bastrop and residents are just now starting to get back to their homes to see what the damage is. I called President Ashley of Bastrop RC but got no answer. I did get to speak with President Billy Moore of Cedar Creek this morning. He sent us a report of how things are there that I want to share with all of you.

Hi Melinda,

Good hearing from you and the interest in checking on our Rotarians in Bastrop County. Here is the latest update from Bastrop County Emergency Management:

"Media Recap: There is a total of 275 Firefighters and 215 Utility Crews working the fire and re-entry. Fire is at 60% containment from overnight, acreage is still 4,582 burned. We still do not have a confirmed total number on structures, which include homes and out building, and other inventory lost. There are 3 teams on the ground, the hope is to have it all by they 5:00pm citizens meeting at the Smithville Rec Center tonight.

Blue Bonnet Electric has returned power to Zones 1 & 2 and hope to have Zone 3 on by 8:00pm tonight. Partial of Zone 4 outside the burn area hoping to be restored by end of day Monday or early morning Tuesday.

Dangerous trees: 212 need to be cut, of those 50% is complete. Another 968 trees are marked for watch, outside the Right Of Way for possible falling into the Right of Way.

Roll off dumpsters will be strategically place Monday for those to toss spoiled food into once they return home and start cleanup.

H.E.B is continuing to feed all First Responders at a total of 1500 meals per day.

Smithville Rec Center has a total of 352 registrants as of last night Those who have not registered are encouraged to do so. Rec Center opened today from 1:00pm-6:00pm."

All requests for aid are directed to the Bastrop County Long Term Recovery Group, here is their website: <http://www.bastropcountylongtermrecovery.org/>

The website has updated information on fire status as well. They also coordinate volunteers if there are Rotarians out there looking to put boots on the ground out here. There will be plenty to do for some time to come. As of now, I know of no Bastrop Rotarians who have suffered loss, but my knowledge on this is very incomplete.

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