

THE ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN SPONSORS

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ROTARY ROOTER



ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN OCTOBER 4, 2013



2012-13 CLUB-LEADERS

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President-Elect: Oliver Smith
Secretary: Don Shindler
Treasurer: Josh Little
Sergeant At Arms: Ryan Zintgraff
Weekly Volunteers: Brigitte Benquet
Membership: Nancy Lehmann-Carsow
VP Club Service: Jerry McCulley
Bulletin: Harold Coleman
Club Historian: George Lewis
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Mike Moser/Tim Dufee
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Programs: David Davis/Paul Ott
Publicity: Sheila Allee
Website: Kristi Holmes
VP New Generations: Mike Jagers
RYLA: Mike Jagers/Mike Moser
Interact: Casey Castle

Rotaract
Rotary Youth Exchange
VP Vocational Service
Fireside Meetings
Junior Achievement
Special Project (EAFK)
VP International Service
Peace Inst/PolioPlus
PET Austin
Matching Grant Projects

Rehema Orphanage
Grid Earth
PET Austin
ShelterBox
Libraries of Love
Global Grant Scholars

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John & Audrey Cochrane
Jim White
Tony Thompson
Mary McCaffity
John Knifton



The Passing of the Torch – Fruit Meister Tom Perkins (r) announced that this year would be his last as our fundraising coordinator. Here is shown passing the crown, er hat (?), to next year's coordinator, Dave Roon.

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?

Past Presidents Council
Endowment
Foundation
Fundraising
Directors-At-Large

Steve Welch
John Voss
Ken Dickensheets
Tom Perkins/Dave Roon
Kent Duran/Dave Roon
Sarah Carriker; Sheila Allee



ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

Friday, October 4, 2013 – 7:00 A.M.

Meeting at Balcones Country Club

Call to Order – Patrick O’Farrell, President

October is Vocational Service Month

TODAY’S PROGRAM

Greg Rabaey – “Retail Energy in Texas”

Greg Rabaey, Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Santanna Energy Services and recent visitor to our club, will be speaking to us about the evolutionary change in America's energy industry. The media reports daily on "Energy Independence," "Green or Renewable Energy," "Shale Gas" and "Fracking." It was reported today that the U.S. is now the world's number one exporter of energy. All of this has an impact on consumers. The outcome of this energy "revolution" will afford energy consumers access to Retail Energy Choice and more affordable energy. Greg will help us understand why and how.

Before and after the meeting, we will sign Christmas cards for the troops.

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

Greeter: Sarah Carriker
Prayer & Pledge: Brigitte Benquet
Sunshine Basket: Kristi Holmes
50/50 Ticket Sales: Brigitte Benquet

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

Next Week: Dave Broker – “Identity Theft Prevention and Scam Avoidance”

Oct 18 Fireside Meetings – NO REGULAR MEETING AT BCC!
Oct 25 Nancy Lehmann-Carssow – “Trip To Africa”

OCTOBER Birthdays

01: John Voss
02: Don Gonzenbach
11: Bob Stroh
18: Linden Welsch
24: Kent Duran, Homer Goering
28: Ray Roark
31: Michelle Berger



OCTOBER Club Anniversaries

01: George Lewis (32)
01: Roger von Rosenberg (30)

WEBSITES TO KNOW:

Club Website: [http:// www.nwaustinrotary.org](http://www.nwaustinrotary.org)
Club Facebook Page: <http://www.facebook.com/nwaustinrotary>
District 5870: <http://www.rotarydistrict5870.org/>
D5870 Special Site: <http://rotary4you.org/>
Rotary International: <http://www.rotary.org/>

AT OUR LAST MEETING

Donna Fuller – “All I Know About Customer Service...”

Last week's meeting featured another "Twofer". First, Donna Fuller, a stand-up comedian, presented "All I know about customer service I learned in dog training." Second, Fruit Meister Tom Perkins announced the start of our Annual Fruit Sale. Begun in 1996, the fundraiser has grown each year with last year's sales topping \$132,000 for a 17-year total of \$878,731. We will spend every nickel of our proceeds on giving back to our Local, National and World Communities!

Greeter: Henry Mayes
Prayer & Pledge: Ken Dickensheets
Sunshine Basket: Paul Ott
50/50 Ticket Sales: Kent Duran
Humorist Emeritus: Ray Roark

NOTE: Sunshine Basket proceeds are being donated to PolioPlus unless otherwise announced.

Member Attendance: 54
50:50 Pot Winner: Ron Bolen (\$18)

Rotary Minutes

• Ken Dickensheets presented David and Wayne Lott with PHF awards.

Visiting Rotarians

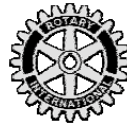
Steve Hake – Austin Downtown
Don Tompkins – Austin Downtown

Other Visitors & Guests

Greg Rabaey (of Paul Ott)

Club Member Make-ups

Gene Holiman – Austin Centennnial (9/17)
John Voss – NWAR Board Mtg (9/13)
Jim Henry – Round Rock Sunrise (9/20)
Nancy Lehmann-Carssow –South Austin (9/25)
Terral Smith – Austin Downtown (9/20 & 2 others)
Bill Estes – Rotary eClub (9/25) & two Social Committee Meetings
Tony Thompson – Strategy Meeting (9/20)



MAKE-UP MEETING LOCATIONS: due to clubs occasionally changing their meeting times and places, it is best to go to the Rotary District 5870 website and click on the When/Where Clubs Meet link for a list of area club meetings.
Online Rotary Club makeup: www.rotaryclubone.org

AFTO!

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

“It is not more vacation we need - it is more vocation.”

Eleanor Roosevelt



NEWS & EVENTS

UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

Oct 11 NWAR Board Meeting
Oct 18 Fireside Meetings – NO REGULAR MEETING
Dec 6 Bluebonnet MHMR Breakfast
Dec 13 NWAR Holiday Party at BCC
Dec 27 NO MEETING due to Christmas!

Upcoming District Events & Important Dates

Sep 28 RLI-1, Georgetown Health Foundation, 8am-3pm
Nov 2 RLI-2, Georgetown Health Foundation, 8am-3pm
Dec 5 Fruit Delivery
Dec 7 RLI-3, Georgetown Health Foundation, 8am-3pm
Dec 13 All Clubs Luncheon – Lost Pines Resort
Feb 8 District Foundation Dinner (Details TBA)
May 16-18 District Conference – La Toretta Resort, Montgomery, TX
Jun 1-4 RI Conference – Sydney, Australia

Seeking Host Families for Inbound RYE Student

NWAR is currently looking for host families for our in-bound RYE student, Giulia Mertens. Giulia is a 16 year-old girl from Germany and is currently attending Cedar Park High School as a sophomore. Host families would need to live within the CPHS boundaries. Giulia is extremely outgoing and a delight to have in the home according to her current host family, whom she will be staying with through December. She is very active and enjoys running, going to the gym and shopping with her friends. Communication is easy with Giulia as she speaks fluent English (as well as 3 other languages!) If you are interested in hosting Giulia, or know someone who might be, please contact New Generations VP, Kristi Holmes.

Fireside Meeting Hosts Needed

A Balcones Country Club tradition, craft market days, takes place on 10/18/2013 and we will not be able to have our breakfast meeting on that day. Our tradition is to have "fireside" meetings at the homes or businesses of our Club members during that week. Please consider hosting four or more members at a time convenient to you during the week of 10/14 through 10/18. As a host you would provide refreshments (collecting enough to defray your expenses) and take attendance to insure that members get credit for a meeting. If you are able to volunteer as a fireside meeting host this year please let Jerry McCulley know as soon as possible so that we can build the list and allow members to sign up over the next three weeks. Remember, you can hold the meeting on any day and at any time during the week. Jerry's email is jerry@themcculleyteam.com or you can call him at 512-496-5515.

RRISD Honors Dr. Jesus Chavez with Retirement Celebration

On Monday, September 23, the Round Rock Independent School District honored Superintendent Jesus Chavez with a retirement celebration at the RRISD PAC.

Jesus Honorio Chavez was born in Brownsville, Texas. He entered Texas Southmost College in Brownsville in 1976 where he received an Associate of Arts degree in 1977. He attended The University of Texas at Austin from 1977-1978, and received a Bachelor of Science degree with highest honors. He attended Pan American University at Brownsville and received a Masters of Education in August 1981.

In June 1983, he registered at the University of Texas at Austin to pursue full-time studies at the doctoral level. Dr. Chavez received his doctorate degree in May 1989. Dr. Chavez began his career in education as a third grade teacher with Brownsville ISD in 1979. The district promoted him to an assistant principal from 1981 to 1983. He was employed by the Round Rock Independent School District in January 1985 as a central office administrator, director and assistant superintendent.

During Chavez's career, he served as the Superintendent in Harlingen Consolidated ISD and in Corpus Christi ISD. In February 2006, he was hired to lead Round Rock ISD. Chavez is credited with improving student test scores in Round Rock ISD and passing two bond packages totaling more than \$56 1 million.

With his retirement, Chavez plans to continue his advocacy for public education. He plans to stay in the Round Rock community. Chavez has served the needs of public education students with passion and dedication.

Join in the “FUN” Raising at Northwest Austin Rotary!!!!

(posted on the district website)

Put the “FUN” back in FUND RAISING!!! Join the Northwest Austin Rotary Club by supplementing your fund raising efforts. Fruit from the Rio Grande Valley is a healthy and unique gift at Christmas time. Many clubs have joined in this effort, buy fruit at the best price and share in the profits. No investment, no outlay of cash, just submit your orders and pick up fruit on December 6th. NWAR expects to reach over \$1.0 Million in sales in this, its 19 year history, of fruit sales. All proceeds are returned to the community; education and student scholarships, health initiatives and support for senior citizens. Call Tom Perkins (The Fruit Meister) (512) 431-1036 or email him at vantage@austin.rr.com.

