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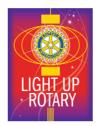
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# ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN **DECEMBER 19, 2014**



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**VP Community Service Programs** 

Set-up/Take-down

**Publicity** Website **VP Vocational Service Scholarships** Teacher & Para Awards Fireside Meetings Junior Achievement

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Rotary Youth Exchange

Oliver Smith Sarah Carriker Don Shindler Josh Little Rvan Zintgraff **Brigitte Benguet** 

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Sheila Allee / Sarah Carriker Jesus Chavez

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**Brigitte Benquet** 

Last week's speaker was Laura Huffman, director of the Texas Nature Conservatory. She spoke with us about her work with Texas legislators to draft legislation with far-reaching ramifications for water conservation.

photo by Harold Coleman

#### Rotary's "4-Way Test":

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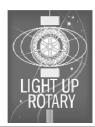
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#### ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

Friday, December 19, 2014 – 7:00 A.M. Meeting at Balcones Country Club Call to Order - Oliver Smith, President December is Family Month

#### TODAY'S PROGRAM

#### Rick McMaster - "The Electric Koolickle and More!"

Today's speaker is Rick McMaster, aka Professor Sparky. Rick was educated as a scientist but has worked mostly as an engineer. He retired from IBM one year ago after 33 years, with his last year as IBM's STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) advocate. As Chair of Central Texas Discover Engineering he now works to excite our K-12 students to pursue STEM careers, using a hands on approach. For more information on Rick and his program, go to: http://www.slideshare.net/RickMcMaster

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

Greeters: George Kissinger Prayer & Pledge: Damon Holditch Sunshine Basket: Virginia Hart 50/50 Ticket Sales: Chuck Durant

#### **Looking Forward** (speakers are also listed on our website): Next Week: NO MEETING - CHRISTMAS!!!

Tony Thompson - "New Year Salute to Service"

Pam Combs, Manager, Seton Ventricular Assist Device Team

#### **DECEMBER Birthdays**

Kevin Lancaster

11: Angela Caffey, Henry Mayes

Chuck Durant

Sheila Allee

24: Steve Welch

29: Bill von Rosenberg

30: Jesus Chavez

02: Ryan Zintraff (3) Clifton Clyborne (5)

Roy Pagueno (1)

14: Brigitte Benquet (7), Rick Hoffman (7)

21: Jack Cochrane (2), Audrey Cochrane (2)

#### **WEBSITES TO KNOW:**

Club Website: http://www.nwaustinrotary.org

Club Facebook Page: http://www.facebook.com/nwaustinrotary

Fruit Sale Website: rotaryfruit.org

District 5870: http://www.rotarvdistrict5870.org/ D5870 Special Site: http://rotary4you.org/ Rotary International: http://www.rotary.org/

### AT OUR LAST MEETING

#### Laura Huffman - The Texas Nature Conservancy

Laura Huffman, State Director of the Nature Conservancy of Texas, updated us on activities of the organization and upcoming issues related to the Texas Legislature. Huffman heads a statewide team of scientists, conservation experts and support staff whose work protects the integrity of Texas' natural resources and some of its most iconic landscapes. She has worked closely with Texas legislators to draft legislation with far-reaching ramifications for water conservation and spearheaded the expansion of water protection funds for Austin, San Antonio and surrounding counties. For more information, go to: http://www.nature.org/

Greeters: Rick Hoffman Prayer & Pledge: Greg Rabaey Sunshine Basket: Pat O'Farrell 50/50 Ticket Sales: Henry Mayes Humorist Emeritus: Homer Goering

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

Member Attendance: 51

50:50 Pot Winner: David Davis (\$27)

#### **Rotary Minutes**

- Eagle Scout Devin Jacobs thanked the club for our support of his church bench project.
- Doug Danforth of Westlake RC sold raffle tickets for their vacation
- Brigitte Benquet presented Ibrahim Fakheddine (sponsor David Davis) with his well earned "blue" badge.

#### **Visiting Rotarians**

Doug Danforth (Westlake) Dave McMorine

#### **Other Visitors & Guests**

Travis Hobbs (of Brigitte Benguet) Devin Jacobs (of Rvan Zintgraff)

#### Club Member Make-ups

Pat O'Farrell - RYE Meeting (12/14) Bill Estes - Fruit Warehouse (12/6) & Delivery (12/7) Larry Eichenbaum – NWAR Meeting (12/5)

MAKE-UP MEETING LOCATIONS: due to clubs frequently changing their meeting times and places, it is best to go to the Rotary 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.rotaryeclubone.org



"When everything goes to hell, the people who stand by you without flinching, they are your family."

Jim Butcher



## NEWS & EVENTS

#### **UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS**

NWAR Holiday Party at BCC Tonight! NO MEETING - CHRISTMAS!!! Dec 26

NWAR Board Meeting Jan 9 Feb 6 Bird Cage Breakfast

#### Upcoming District Events & Important Dates

Feb 7 D5870 Foundation Dinner - Shoal Crossing Event

A Conference of Rotary Clubs - Omni Colonnade, SA May 1-3

Mar 5-8 Lone Star P.E.T.S.

RI Convention - Sao Paolo, Brazil June 6-9

#### **Rotary Club of Northwest Austin Holiday Party**

Ho! Ho! Ho! Tonight is our annual Holiday Party, an evening of friends, food and fun! Don't forget, anyone who wants to participate in the White Elephant activity just needs to bring a wrapped present. It can be "Naughty or Nice" and should not exceed \$20. Don't be left out - this year there will be a special surprise!

When: Friday, December 19, 2014 Where: Balcones Country Club

Party begins at 6:30pm with the festive Cocktail Hour as Rotarians arrive! Cash bar available for beverage purchases.

Passed Hors D'Ouevres at 6:40pm

Dinner served at 7:15pm

Entree - choice of one preselected by Guest at sign up:

Sirloin Steak with Garlic Butter Sauce

Brown Sugar Crusted Salmon w/ Sweet Chili Glaze

Vegetable Pasta Dish

ADULT - \$35.00 PERSON INCLUSIVE

CHILDRED - \$11.95 PER CHILD 12 AND UNDER

White Elephant Gift Exchange Coordinated by Nancy Lehmann-Carssow immediately following dinner. EACH PERSON that wishes to participate in the white elephant gift exchange should bring a gift.

Thank you!

Nancy Lehmann-Carssow & Larry Eichenbaum

#### **About Rotary**

#### Our Principles

The collective leadership and expertise of our 1.2 million members helps us tackle some of the world's biggest challenges, locally and globally. We are united by common values and vision for the future as we sharpen our focus with targeted specific causes that will reach communities most in need.

These principles have been developed over the years to provide Rotarians with a strong, common purpose and direction. They serve as a foundation for our relationships with each other and the action we take in the world.

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and

- FIRST: The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for
- SECOND: High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- THIRD: The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- FOURTH: The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

#### THE FOUR-WAY TEST

The Four-Way Test is a nonpartisan and nonsectarian ethical guide for Rotarians to use for their personal and professional relationships. The test has been translated into more than 100 languages, and Rotarians recite it at club meetings. Of the things we think, say or do

- Is it the TRUTH?
- . Is it FAIR to all concerned?
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#### **AVENUES OF SERVICE**

We channel our commitment to service at home and abroad through five Avenues of Service, which are the foundation of club activity.

- Club Service focuses on making clubs strong. A thriving club is anchored by strong relationships and an active membership development plan.
- · Vocational Service calls on every Rotarian to work with integrity and contribute their expertise to the problems and needs of society. Learn more in An Introduction to Vocational Service and the Code of Conduct.
- Community Service encourages every Rotarian to find ways to improve the quality of life for people in their communities and to serve the public interest. Learn more in Communities in Action: A Guide to Effective Projects and this Community Service presentation (PPT).
- International Service exemplifies our global reach in promoting peace and understanding. We support this service avenue by sponsoring or volunteering on international projects, seeking partners abroad, and more.
- Youth Service recognizes the importance of empowering youth and young professionals through leadership development programs such as Rotaract, Interact, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, and Rotary Youth Exchange.





