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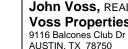
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# ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN FEBRUARY 1, 2013



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At last week's meeting, former D5870 Governor Gene Davenport and last year's DG Suresh Pahwa spoke to us about their humanitarian efforts with Rotoplast.

photo by Oliver Smith

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

- 1. Is it theTRUTH?
- 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, February 1, 2013 – 7:00 A.M. Meeting at Balcones Country Club Call to Order - Steve Welch, President February is World Understanding Month

#### TODAY'S PROGRAM

#### Farhad Bozorgmehr - "The U.S./World and Iran" Pt I

Today Past President Bill Estes will introduce us to Farhad Bozorgmehr. Farhad has dual citizenship in the United States and Iran. He was an exchange student to the United States in the 70's. He had a business in Iran before moving to the United States permanently. As an Austinite and former resident of Iran, he has a unique perspective on Iran with its 5,000 year history but will focus on Iran today, the sanctions and his estimate of what will come in the future. Will a showdown between Iran and the United States and Israel occur in 2013? If a discussion begins in earnest, you will have the benefit of Farhad's perspective. Due to the immediacy of these issues and the breadth of his topic, Farhad will continue the discussion next week.

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

Greeter: Audrey & Jack Cochrane Prayer & Pledge: Fred Morgan Sunshine Basket: Mike Moser 50/50 Ticket Sales: Fred Mayes

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

Next Week: - Farhad Bozorgmehr - "The U.S./World and Iran" Pt II

Feb 15 Tom Perkins, Fruit Sale Wrap-up

Edward Rice – "Building Confidence with Public Speaking"

#### **FEBRUARY Birthdays**

02: Rvan Zintgraff

03: Tom Perkins

08: Wayne Thompson, Roger von Rosenberg

11- Steve Jennings

14: Bob Fulmer

17: Damon Holditch 20: Sarah Carriker

26: Durriyah Chinwalla, Oliver Smith

28: Robert Roe

#### **FEBRUARY Club Anniversaries**

01: Nancy Lehmann-Carssow (24)

01: Fred Morgan (19) 04: Tony Thompson (8) 21: Oliver Smith (10)

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.rotaryeclubone.org

### AT OUR LAST MEETING Suresh Pahwa & Gene Davenport, PDGs

Last week's speakers were Suresh Pahwa. District 5870 Governor for Rotary year 2011-12 and Gene Davenport, PDG for the year 2004-05. They shared with us their humanitarian experience with Rotoplast, a non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization providing free reconstructive operations and treatment for children in need worldwide. The goal of Rotaplast International is to eliminate the incidence of untreated cleft lips and palates in children worldwide by the year 2025. Suresh's adventure took him to the Phillippines. while Gene's tip was to Bangor, India. For more information, go to: http://www.rotaplast.org/

Greeter: Sarah Carriker

Prayer & Pledge: Tony Thompson Sunshine Basket: Mark Dietz 50/50 Ticket Sales: Mark Dietz Humorist Emeritus: none

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

Member Attendance: 59

50:50 Pot Winner: Terrel Smith (\$20)

#### **Rotary Minutes**

- David Davis led a small memorial service for Pene Henry, wife of member Jim Henry who succumbed to cancer.
- Rebecca Whitehouse and her International Committee team gave project updates.
- Pat O'Farrell announced the 2013 House of Friends fundraiser.

#### **Visiting Rotarians**

Derek Tetlow (Niwot, CO) David Lawrence (Cedar Park) Rose Wildecom (Cedar Park)



#### Other Visitors & Guests

#### Club Member Make-ups

Hanspeter Tobler-District Conf Prep Mtgs (1/18, 1/19, 1/24) Gene Holiman – Austin Centennial (1/15) & LOL Workday (1/18) Kenvin Lancaster - Cedar Park (1/15 & 1/22), Pflugerville (1/23) Danny Davila – NWAR Board Mtg (1/11)

John Voss – NWAR Board Mtg (1/11)

#### WEBSITES TO KNOW:

Club Website: http://www.nwaustinrotary.org Club Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/nwaustinrotary

District 5870: http://www.rotarydistrict5870.org/ D5870 Special Site: http://rotary4you.org/ Rotary International: http://www.rotary.org/

#### **THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:**

" 'Tis better to understand, than to be understood."

#### **Anonymous**



# **NEWS & EVENTS**

#### **UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS**

New Member Orientation @ Nancy's, 6:30 PM Feb 7 NWAR Board Meeting

#### Upcoming District Events & Important Dates 2013-14 D5870 Leadership Training/Pre-Pets

Feb 9 Feb 22 House of Friends "A Country Supper," 6:30 PM @Bethany

2013-14 District Assembly – CTC, Killeen Apr 13

Apr 20 Austin Centennial Fun Run

May 3 Inbound GSE Team - D3860, Cebu Philippines 5/31-6/2 D5870 Conference of Rotary Clubs

RI Convention – Lisbon, Portugal

#### **Club Activities Planned**

Club Service is planning an evening out at Ester's Follies for NWAR on a Thursday night in late Feb or early March. Listen for announcements over the next two weeks. We are also planning a Progressive Dinner for late April or early May so keep your calendar Jerry McCulley handy.

#### **House of Friends Fundraiser** "A Country Supper"

Country-style dinner with live entertainment by the band M.O.V.E. All proceeds benefit House of Friends. www.BethanyHOF.org

> Friday, February 22, 6:30 PM Bethany UMC Fellowship Hall Tickets \$30 each

To purchase tickets call Mindy Long at 512-771-6520. Deadline to purchase Feb. 19. THIS WILL SELL OUT!!

#### Superintendent Chavez to Retire Dec 2013

January 30, 2013 - During a press conference, Round Rock ISD Superintendent Dr. Jesús H. Chávez announced his plan to retire effective December 31, 2013.

Dr. Chávez has served as Superintendent since February 2006 and under his leadership the district passed two bond packages in 2006 and 2008. Student achievement increased and district students and staff have received countless state and national awards since his arrival. His balanced approach to education has ensured the district maintained strong academics, fine arts and athletic programming. He was the leading force in growing the district's community and business partnerships. His integrity and belief in transparency served him well throughout his career. Dr. Chávez was also honored by being named Superintendent of the Year for Region XIII in 2009 and 2011. In 2009 he was one of five state finalists for the title of Texas' Superintendent of the Year.

For 35 years Dr. Chávez has served the students of Texas, first when he started his career in 1979 as a third grade teacher with Brownsville ISD. The district promoted him to an assistant principal from 1981 to 1983. He was employed by the Round Rock ISD in January 1985 as a central office administrator, director and assistant superintendent. In 1995 Dr. Chávez was named Superintendent for Harlingen CISD and then Corpus Christi ISD in July 2001.

Dr. Chávez 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. Chávez received his doctorate degree in May 1989.

The Round Rock ISD Board of Trustees will meet in the coming weeks to begin the process of selecting a new leader for the district.

#### Polio Update

The progress in the fight to end polio in 2012 was amazing. The year ended with the fewest number of cases, in the fewest places ever in history. It's time to make history. Help us change the world. Let's end polio now. http://www.endpolio.org/en

