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# ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN FEBRUARY 18, 2011



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Last week's meeting was an informative one that gave us two different perspectives on the City's planned water treatment plant at Four Points (WTP4). Jason Hill (L) spoke on behalf of the City and the need for the plant, while Mark Kirkpatrick (R) presented a case against WTP4.

The 4-Way Test "of the things we think, say or do":

- 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 18, 2011 – 7:00 A.M.

Meeting at Balcones Country Club

Call to Order – Ken Dickensheets, President

February is World Understanding Month

# TODAY'S PROGRAM

### Andy Kauffman - World War II Veteran

Andy Kaufman will be our speaker this Friday. Mr. Kaufman is originally from New York, having left there in 1941. He served in the Army Air Corps during WWII from 1942-1945. He was a POW in Stalag 17 from 1943-1945. After being discharged from the Army Air Corps he graduated from LSU with a degree as a Petroleum Geologist. He worked for Humble Oil from 1948-1982, retired, then went back to work for British Petroleum until 1989. He resides in Sun City. He is married to Betsy, has 4 children and 6 grandchildren. This is a unique, increasingly rare opportunity to hear a WWII POW veteran. Mr. Kaufman will primarily be sharing his experiences from WWII.

**NOTE:** There will be a short Board Meeting immediately following today's meeting to discuss two items:

- 1. Grant Committee recommendations
- 2. Austin Centennial Rotary Club

# PLEASE RESPECTFULLY TURN CELL PHONES OFF OR TO VIBRATE DURING THE MEETING! THANK YOU!

Greeter: Rebecca Whitehouse Prayer and Pledge: Steve Jennings Sunshine Basket: Tim Buckley 50/50 Ticket Sales: Terral Smith

### **Looking Forward** (speakers are now listed on the website)

Next Week: - Fruit Sale Celebration, aka The Birdcage Breakfast
Mar 4 Donald Beaumont. "The Lost Horizon/BP Experience"

Mar 11 Donald Christian, Concordia University

### FEBRUARY Birthdays

- 03: Tom Perkins
- 08: Wayne Thompson, Roger von Rosenberg
- 11- Steve Jennings
- 14: Bob Fulmer
- 17: Damon Holditch 20: Sarah Carriker
- 26: Durrivah Chinwalla, Oliver Smith
- 28: Robert Roe

# **FEBRUARY Club Anniversaries**

01: Nancy Lehmann-Carssow (22), Fred Morgan (17)

04: Tony Thompson (6) 21: Oliver Smith (8)

Next Regular Board Meeting

March 11 (after the regularly scheduled Club Meeting)

# AT OUR LAST MEETING

### **Austin Water Treatment Plant 4**

Last week's program focused on an issue of significance in the Austin metropolitan area - The City of Austin Water Treatment Plant 4 (aka WTP4). Jason Hill presented the initial portion of the program on behalf of the Austin Water Utility. He shared information on the Jollyville Water Transmission Main, including an explanation of the design process, route selection, an update on the project, and the schedule. The second part of the program was a response presented by UT Professor Mark Kirkpatrick. He presented the case against building WTP4 now, its impact and the alternatives.

Greeter: Jerry McCulley

Prayer and Pledge: Brigitte Benquet 50/50 Ticket Sales: Steve Welch

Sunshine Basket: none due to time constraints

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

Member Attendance: 59

50:50 Pot Winner: Homer Goering (\$20)

### **Rotary Minute**

 Tim Buckley nominated Hanspeter Tobler for district governor 2013-14, which was approved by club vote.

### <u>Visitors</u>

Tracy Snider (of Nancy Lehmann-Carssow)

### Visiting Rotarians

non

# Club Member Make-ups

Pat O'Farrell – RYLA Workday (2/11)

Tim Buckley – Teague (2/1), RR Sunrise (2/4), Salado (2/8)

Taylor( 2/10)

Kent Miller – Austin University (1/31) Brigitte Benguet – Austin Downtown (2/8)

Paul Ott - Centennial (2/5)

Oliver Smith – NWAR Board Mtg (2/11)

### WEBSITES TO KNOW:

Club New: http:// www.nwaustinrotary.org District 5870: http://www.rotarydistrict5870.org/ Rotary International: http://www.rotary.org/

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

# **THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:**

"And in the end it's not the years in your life that count. It's the life in your years."

Abraham Lincoln



# **NEWS & EVENTS**

### **COMING EVENTS**

NWAR Night Out - Austin Toros Basketball at the Feb 26 Cedar Park Center, 7:30 PM (see Kent Duran) Mar 3 New Member Orientation (details to be announced) Apr 2 UN Day in Austin (Nancy Lehmann-Carssow) May 21-25 Rotary International Convention, New Orleans Apr 16 District Assembly, Killeen D5870 Foundation Dinner, Nimitz Museum, Jun 3 Fredericksburg Jun 3-5 D5870 Annual Conference, Inn on Baron's Creek, Fredericksburg

### RoAnn's February Meeting

This month's RoAnns' lunchjeon meeting will be held February 22nd at 11:30 AM at Austin Country Club. Our speaker will be NWAR's Nancy Lehmann-Carssow and her presentation is entitled, "Photographs of Africa," from her recent trip. All Rotarian spouses, Rotarians and friends are cordially invited. For reservations call Ditas Hall at 219-1332 by Monday, Feb. 21st, 4 PM.

### NWAR Night Out - Toros Basketball

Saturday February 26<sup>th</sup> Time: 7:30 PM

Austin Toros vs. New Mexico Thunderbirds.

Tickets will be \$12 (normally \$20) and will be available at the Will Call window on game day. Seats will be center section. **That night will feature \$2 dogs and \$1 sodas**. The Toros have set up a signup page on their website to make it easy for NWAR members to buy tickets: just go to:

### http://www.toroshomecourt.com/nwrotary

NOTE: A Toros' representative will be hre todayto get everyone fired up for the basketball game on the 26th in Cedar Park!

### Volunteer Opportunity - Libraries of Love

Fellow Rotarians, Trudy Marshall of Libraries of Love has asked for volunteers from our club to help her prepare books for shipment to Africa. As you no doubt know, we have donated funds to Trudy's cause for a number of years. And here is a chance to help out with our labor, without actually going on her trip to deliver stuff and work in Africa with the schools where she has and is establishing Libraries. Trudy indicates the work is now and is evening and weekends. She can be contacted at 461-7274 or email: trudymarshall@att.net

This is a high impact for good effort Trudy started a few years ago and she will be our Program at a meeting later in the year. So, if you have some spare evening or weekend time, no matter how limited, it would be very helpful. This is our first chance to do some "hands on" help to her. Thanks for considering it.

Tony Thompson, NWAR President-Elect.

### The Rotary Club of Austin Centennial

You are cordially invited to join us for our Monthly Members Networking Social and help us celebrate 6 years in Rotary!

> Where: Freda's Seafood Grille 10903 Pecan Park Blvd

> > Austin TX 78750
> > When: Tuesday, March 1st
> > Time: 5:30 – 7:00 PM

\*Fun\*Food (Cash Bar) \*Fellowship \*Networking

This will be a great opportunity to meet and network with Rotarian's who are community business leaders and are active in the community. Our Vista Ridge Interact Club will be joining us and doing their Paint Your Pinkies for Polio fundraiser. Can't wait to see you there!

Tiesa Hollaway, President, Ph: 512.964.8950

### **Girl Scout Cookies for the Troops**

Dear Northwest Austin Rotary,

Thank you for helping my troop (511) raise money to send girl scout cookies to our troops. You donated enough to send 100 boxes. I am putting thank you notes in each case of boxes for the soldiers to read. Sincerely, Bree Lyerly

### **District Conference Registration**

Here is a link for the registration of this year's District Conference in Fredericksburg to be held June 2-5, 2011:

http://www.crsadmin.com/EventPortal/Registrations/PublicFill/EventPublicFill.aspx?evtid=69e4c59c-5c82-412b-a360-a9f50d10ea60%20 Payment can be made online with credits cards (no extra charge this

time) or by check – just follow the instructions. Make sure you take the \$25 discount if you have pre-registered at the beginning of this Rotary year.

Hanspeter Tobler

### Tony Thompson Acknowledged - Service Above Self

Dear Tony, It is my pleasure to inform you that you have received the Presidential Volunteer Service Award for your passion and commitment to ShelterBox USA. The President's Volunteer Service Award is a special recognition presented on behalf of President Barack Obama. The award is part of a national recognition program created in 2003 through the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation for individuals of all ages who contribute a significant amount of time to volunteer activities.

I want to thank you, Tony, for your service to help provide shelter, warmth and dignity for so many people. It's truly a pleasure to work with you. For all of the families that received our aid of whom we may never meet, thank you for your service!

Take care,

Alan Monroe, Volunteer & Youth Program Manager, ShelterBox USA



