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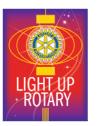
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Mike Moser **TBD**

Brigitte Benquet



NWAR member Greg Rabaey received the Boy Scouts of America Silver Beaver Award last Saturday at the Central Texas Boy Scouts of America Headquarters. photo by Oliver Smi th

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?

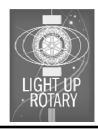
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ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

Friday, February 27, 2015 - 7:00 A.M. Meeting at Balcones Country Club Call to Order - Oliver Smith, President February is World Understanding Month

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Joseph & Kathleen Stafford "Iran Hostages at U.S. Embassy"

Ambassador Stafford retired in February of last year from a career as a Foreign Service Officer with the State Department. Assignments in Algeria, Kuwait, Egypt, Italy, Iran, Mauritania, Tunisia, Cote d'Ivorie, at the National War College and as Political Analyst for the Arabian Peninsula in the State Department's Office of Intelligence and Research provide the Ambassador with a perspective that we are fortunate to have. Kathleen, an accomplished artist with paintings and prints in the Smithsonian National Museum and other museums around the world, accompanied her husband on eleven of his assignments, but not Iran. Together, they will share their perspectives of the 1979-1981 Iranian Hostage Crisis.

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

Greeter: Tim Buckley

Prayer & Pledge: Gene Holiman Sunshine Basket: Ray Roark

50/50 Ticket Sales: Ibrahim Fakhreddine

Looking Forward (speakers are also listed on our website): Next Week: Patricia McLachlan - "The Japanese Post Office"

Sheila Allee, "How to Get Your Book Published" Nancy Wesson, "Peace Core Literacy"

FEBRUARY Birthdays

02: Ryan Zintgraff

03: Tom Perkins

08: Wayne Thompson, Roger von Rosenberg

14. Bob Fulmer

17: Damon Holditch

20: Sarah Carriker

26: Durriyah Chinwalla, Oliver Smith



FEBRUARY Club Anniversaries

Nancy Lehmann-Carssow (26)

01: Fred Morgan (21)

04: Tony Thompson (10)

14: Ibrahim Fakhreddine (1), Virginia Hart (1)

21: Oliver Smith (12)

WEBSITES TO KNOW:

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

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

Club 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 MFFTING

Mike Metschan, "Seedling Foundation"

Mike Metschan, head of Metschan Insurance and volunteer Board member of an 8 year-old non-profit organization named Seedling Foundation, was last week's speaker. He gave us a brief overview of Seedling Foundation and the Seedling's Promise Mentorship Program explaining how this service organization provides a valuable and extremely helpful service to the children of people who are contained in prison. The Foundation recruits volunteers from the community, matches them with eligible children, and offers ongoing support to both children and mentors. If you desire additional information about the Seedling Foundation, you can contact Mike at Mike@metschaninsurance.com or Seedling Foundation at: www. seedlingfoundation.org.

Greeter: Mark Dietz

Prayer & Pledge: Greg Rabaey Sunshine Basket: Jim Henry 50/50 Ticket Sales: Jerry McCulley Humorist Emeritus: Dave Roon

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

Member Attendance: 52

50:50 Pot Winner: Jerry McCulley (\$33)

Rotary Minutes

- Oliver recognized Brigitte for her weekly volunteer coordination
- Ken Dickensheets presented a PHF+2 award to Jerry McCulley.
- Nancy updated us on the Rahima Orphanage library in Uganda and was presented a check on behalf of the club.
- Gene Holiman plugged the Hill Country Flyer Rotary Day on 4/4.

Visiting Rotarians

Dick Pyle - Washington, DC

Other Visitors & Guests

Bob Presley (of David Davis) Marietta Silva (of Tim Duffee)

Club Member Make-ups

Tim Buckley – District Foundation Dinner (2/7) Gene Holiman - Austin Centennial (2/10)

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

Online Rotary Club makeup: www.rotaryeclubone.org

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

"Be patient and understanding. Life is too short to be vengeful or malicious."

Phillips Brooks



NEWS & EVENTS

UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

NWAR Board Meeting Mar 13

Rotary Day at the Hill Country Flyer Apr 4

Upcoming District Events & Important Dates

Cedar Park RC Talent Show - Don Tews PAC Mar 13

Apr 18 Club Leadership Training, Killeen

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

Mar 5-8 Lone Star P.E.T.S. (President Elects Training)

Jun 6-9 RI Convention - Sao Paolo, Brazil

Jun 28-7/3

ALL ABOARD FOR FAMILY FUN!

Tickets are now on sale for the special Rotary charter car aboard the Hill Country Flyer for a round-trip to Burnet on Saturday, April 4. Bring your spouses, kids, grandkids, and friends. Seats are limited to 72 total, so first come, first served. Gene Holiman has tickets. Adults \$28, kids under 12 \$19. Make checks payable to NWAR. Don't miss this fun family Rotary outing!

Sunshine Community Gardens Charity Plant Sale

Mark your calendars for Saturday, March 7, for the non-profit sale at Sunshine Community Gardens. The proceeds go to support the Texas School for the Blind and Vision Impaired Horticulture Program and the Micah 6 Food Pantry and Food Bank, http://www.sunshinecommunitygarden.org/

Please pass along the info to anyone you know who likes to garden. The members are selling vegetable plants for transplanting into pots and gardens. These include tomatoes, peppers, eggplants, herbs.

This is an event for the entire family. Consumers can purchase plants, walk the 200 gardens and see what other gardeners are planting and the kids can visit the Chicken Coop. Austin is the hub of organic gardening in Texas. The plant sale will have a marching band to lead people inside the garden, have live music during the sale, and have a great kids' event too. The schedule:

9:00 - 10:00 Minor Mishap Marching Band http://minormishap.com/ 10:00 - 10:30 Bob Slaughter - First Set http://bobslaughter.org/

10:30 - 11:00 Cranius Astoundin Children's Show. https://www.facebook.com/CraniusAstounding

11:00 - 12:00 Bob Slaughter - Second Set,

http://www.reverbnation.com/bobslaughter

12:00 - 1:00 Adrienne Braswell.

https://www.facebook.com/AdrienneBraswellMusic

Thanks to Lee Easter for this announcement.

Club Leadership Training & Registration

Please join us at the District 5870 Assembly/Club Leader Training on Saturday, April 18th, in Killeen. Everyone is invited, and incoming board members are strongly encouraged to attend. The club will pay your entry fee, which includes lunch. Register at this link: http://portal.clubrunner.ca/60098 and click "pay by check."

Conference of Rotary Clubs Registration Continues

Online registration for the 2015 Conference of Rotary Clubs is now open. This year's conference is jointly organized and will be held by District 4130 in Mexico and District 5870 in Texas. Please register and join in as our districts celebrate thirty years of conducting projects together. The conference dates are May 1-3, 2015, at the Omni Colonnade Hotel in San Antonio.

Please register through the link on the District 5870 website, middle right-hand side of the page, at http://portal.clubrunner.ca/60098 . Registration through April 28, 2015 is \$149 per person and after that and for walk-ins the rate is \$175. The special Omni conference room rate of \$125.00 is good only through March 31, 2015.

The conference agenda will soon be ready, will be sent to you via email and will be posted on the District 5870 website under Events on the menu bar.

Kirk Pate, Registrar, District 5870

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Cedar Park Rotary Club 3rd Annual Talent Show

The Cedar Park Rotary Club is partnering with LISD area schools to organize the third community-wide youth talent show. Details of the even are as follows:

Date: Friday, March 13, 2015

Location: Don Tews Performing Arts Center,

Leander High School

Junior (K-6th grade) and Senior (grades 7–12) Two Division: 70 auditions; the top 10 acts in each category Auditions: will perform at the Finals on Mar 13

\$1,000 overall winner; \$500 each division Cash Prizes:

winner; \$250 each division runner-up

The CPRC is looking for sponsors to make this event possible. Your generous sponsorship will be highlighted in announcements and brochures at the event. Sponsorship levels are as follows:

 Platinum: \$500 (full pg ad in program and website exposure)

Gold: \$275 (half page ad in program) Silver: \$150 (quarter page ad in program) Bronze: \$75 (business card size ad in program)

For more information or to sponsor this event, please call Henry Mayes at 512-619-7185 or email him at henrymayes@sbcglobal.net.