

## THE ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN SPONSORS

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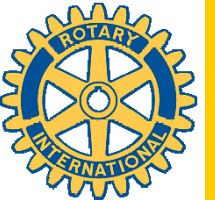
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# ROTARY ROOTER



## ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

### FEBRUARY 3, 2012



### 2011-12 CLUB LEADERS

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| President:                | Tony Thompson                                     |
| President-Elect:          | Steve Welch                                       |
| Secretary:                | Don Shindler                                      |
| Treasurer:                | Josh Little                                       |
| Sergeant At Arms:         | Kristi Holmes                                     |
| Weekly Volunteers:        | Kristi Holmes                                     |
| Membership:               | Sarah Carriker/<br>Nancy Lehmann-Carsow           |
| VP Club Service:          | Diane Lyerly                                      |
| Bulletin:                 | Harold Coleman                                    |
| Club Historian:           | George Lewis                                      |
| Photographers:            | Oliver Smith/HP Tobler                            |
| Set-up/Take-down:         | Ron Bolen/Tim Dufee/<br>Pat O'Farrell/Mike Moser/ |
| VP Community Service:     | Jim Henry   |
| Programs:                 | David Davis/Paul Ott                              |
| Publicity:                | Steve Jennings                                    |
| Website:                  | Sheila Allee                                      |
| VP International Service: | Rebecca Whitehouse                                |
| Ambassadorial Scholar:    | John Knifton                                      |
| Group Study Exchange:     | Fred Morgan                                       |
| Peace Inst/PolioPlus:     | Kent Miller                                       |
| PET Austin:               | Jim White   |
| VP New Generations:       | Pat O'Farrell                                     |
| Interact:                 | Pat O'Farrell                                     |
| Rotaract:                 | Gene Holiman                                      |
| Rotary Youth Exchange:    | Brigitte Benquet                                  |
| RYLA:                     | Bob Roe   |
| VP Vocational Service:    | Rick Hoffman                                      |
| Fireside Meetings:        | Dee Haddock                                       |
| Junior Achievement:       | Tracy Snider                                      |
| Special Project:          | Dave Roon   |
| Past Presidents Council:  | Ken Dickensheets                                  |
| Endowment:                | John Voss   |
| Foundation:               | Tracy Snider                                      |
| Fundraising:              | Tom Perkins                                       |
| Director-At-Large:        | Kent Duran  |
| Director-At-Large:        | Oliver Smith                                      |



At last week's meeting, Galen Fischer became our newest member. Here he is being pinned by sponsor Don Shindler while Jim Henry orates the induction.  
photo by Oliver Smith

### 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?



# ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

Friday, February 3, 2012 – 7:00 A.M.

Meeting at Balcones Country Club

Call to Order – Tony Thompson, President

*February is World Understanding Month*

## TODAY'S PROGRAM

**Kent Miller, "PolioPlus – How are We Doing?"**

Rotary's financial contributions to the global polio eradication effort will reach nearly US\$1.2 billion by the time the world is certified polio-free. How are Rotarians doing in raising the money and with the eradication effort? Answers to those two questions will be the focus of the program this Friday. Kent Miller will give an update on our progress, and will show us what efforts remain as we move into these final years. We can be proud of our work, and move toward completion!

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

Greeter: George Kissinger  
Prayer & Pledge: Mike Jagger  
Sunshine Basket: Galen Fischer  
50/50 Drawing: Rich Barbee

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

**Next Week:** - Dr. Monica Anderson - "The Medical Benefits of Humor"

Feb 17 Matt Gonzalez, Pedernales Electric Coop  
Feb 24 Tom Perkins and Homer's Hustlers – Birdcage Breakfast

## FEBRUARY Birthdays

02: Ryan 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 (23), Fred Morgan (18)  
04: Tony Thompson (7)  
21: Oliver Smith (9)

### WEBSITES TO KNOW:

Club Website: [http:// www.nwaustinrotary.org](http://www.nwaustinrotary.org)  
Club Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/nwaustinrotary>  
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.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org)

## AT OUR LAST MEETING

**Keith Elkins, "Freedom of Information Foundation"**

Keith is a long-time Austin communicator and Executive Director of the Freedom of Information Foundation of Texas. Last week, he discussed the role of one of our nation's oldest open government non-profit groups and some of the newest transparency challenges of the 21st Century. The organization recently moved from Dallas to Austin and Keith was one of its first hires. He has a long history in public media as a News Anchor and Reporter with Fox, CNN, NBC and CBS. He has also worked as Communications Director for the Texas Comptroller and the Texas Lottery Commission.

**New Member Induction** - Galen Fischer, sponsored by Don Shindler with the classification of "Financial Consultant," was inducted as NWAR's newest member by Jim Henry.

Greeter: Sarah Carriker  
Prayer & Pledge: Mark Dietz  
Sunshine Basket: Roger Von Rosenberg  
50/50 Drawing: Steve Windle  
Humorist Emeritus: Bill Zipoy

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

Member Attendance: **79!** (an all-time high!)

**50:50 Pot Winner:** Dave Corna (\$34)

### Rotary Minutes

- Tracy Snider presented Danny Davila with his initial Paul Harris Fellow Award. Congratulations, Danny!
- Ryan Zintgraff and members of Troop 523 Venture Crew announced a fundraising dinner Feb. 11 at Hope Presbyterian.

### Other Visitors & Guests

Whitney Pagel (of Sheila Allee)  
Glynis Morse (of Diane Lyerly)

### Visiting Rotarians

none

### Club Member Make-ups

John Voss – New Member Orientation (1/19)  
Pat O'Farrell – Youth Exchange  
Gene Holiman – East Austin (1/17)  
Lee Easter – North Austin (1/3), NE Austin (1/25)  
Jesus Chavez – Roound Rock Morning (1/13)  
Diane Lyerly – NWAR Board Mtg (1/13)



### Next Board Meeting

Feb. 10 (after the regular Friday meeting)

## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

"Peace cannot be kept by force; it can only be achieved by understanding."

Albert Einstein



# NEWS & EVENTS

### UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

Feb 24 Fruit Sale Birdcage Breakfast  
Mar 25 NWAR Social at Henry Mayes' Home, 5:00-7:00 PM

### Upcoming District Events & Important Dates

Tonight House of Friends Valentine Benefit Dinner  
Feb 11 Foundation Dinner –Westin, Austin (details to follow)  
Mar 2 Cedar Park RC Talent Show, Don Tew P.A. Center  
May 16 GSE Team from Australia  
May 19 District Conference Part I – Killeen  
Jun 16 District Conference Part II (Lost Pines)

### Cedar Park Rotary Club Talent Show

The first annual Cedar Park Rotary Club Talent Show will be held at the Don Tew Performing Arts Center at 7 p.m. on Friday, March 2, 2012. Details of the event are as follows:

Date: Friday night, March 2, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Location: Don Tew Performing Arts Center at Leander High School

Two Divisions: Junior (K-6th grade) and Senior (7th – 12th grade)

Auditions: 6:30 p.m. February 21 and 23, 2012

The top 10 acts in each division will perform at the Finals Talent Show on March 2, 2012

Cash Prizes: \$1000 Overall Winner, \$500 Each Division Winner and \$250 for each Division Runner Up.

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

- Platinum - \$500 (Full page ad in brochure and website exposure)
- Gold - \$250 (Half page ad in brochure)
- Silver - \$150 (Quarter page ad in brochure)
- Business Card - \$75 (Business card ad in brochure)

For more details on sponsorship, see Al Rolfen or call President Tim Adams at 528-7001.

### Show Your Love

Our Community Services Committee has us participating in this Round Rock ISD program by supporting their Socks & Boxers Drive. We are collecting boxers for boys, colorful underwear for girls and "no show" socks (socks that don't go above the ankle) for boys and girls. Any size is welcomed/needed!

The program is in conjunction with the RRISD PTA's with the garments going to "clothes closet" for access by the students. Cash contributions are also welcomed and can be given to Josh! Community Service Committee will have a box designated for these items outside the dining room door starting this Friday and for the following two Friday's. The campaign ends February 17. Lets make it another successful, great NWARC project! See Jim Henry for further details. Thank you all for your participation and support.

### 2012-13 NWAR Board Nominees Announced

Below is your Board's approved list of nominees to lead our Club starting July 1, 2012. If you have any additional nomination, please send me an email of who and for what position. Or you can wait and nominate them at our regular Friday meeting on February 10th. After any additional nominees, we will vote on our Rotary Year 2012-2013 Board at that meeting.

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|--------------------------|--------------------|
| President                | Steve Welch        |
| President Elect          | Pat O'Farrell      |
| VP Community Service     | Jim Henry          |
| VP Club Service          | Jerry McCulley     |
| VP International Service | Rebecca Whitehouse |
| VP Vocational Service    | Rick Hoffman       |
| VP New Generations       | Kristi Holmes      |
| Secretary                | Don Shindler       |
| Treasurer                | Josh Little        |
| Sergeant-At-Arms         | Bill Zipoy         |
| Past President's Council | Tony Thompson      |
| Director                 | Kent Duran         |
| Director                 | Oliver Smith       |
| Additional Director      | Diane Lyerly       |
| Additional Director      | Bob Allen          |

### Rotary's Challenge reaches US\$200 million

Rotary's Challenge for polio eradication has reached the US\$200 million milestone. The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation has awarded The Rotary Foundation an additional \$50 million grant, which is not a challenge grant, in recognition of Rotary's early achievement of this milestone.

Since 1988, the incidence of polio has plummeted by more than 99 percent, from about 350,000 cases annually to fewer than 650 cases reported so far for 2011. The wild poliovirus is now endemic in only four countries: Afghanistan, India, Nigeria, and Pakistan.

### Austin Centennial Fundraiser

SPIRIT OF SHARING FUN RUN/WALK AT ANDERSON MILL PARK  
MARCH 10, 2012 (ROTARY/CG KIDS HOSTS)  
LAKECREEK BLVD., NEXT TO GRISHAM M.S.  
FROM 9 A.M.- 11 A.M.

Proceeds benefit 501c3 groups: VETERANS/HEROES NIGHT OUT  
Children: LIBRARIES OF LOVE, AGAPE JUBILEE, INC., CG KIDS  
GLADIATOR, ANDERSON MILL SWIM SCHOLARSHIPS ELDERLY:  
YOUTH2SENIORS, INC.

Handicapped: PERSONAL ENERGY TRANSPORT SYSTEMS (PETS)

FEES are \$15.00 per Adult, or \$10.00 per child, or \$5.00 plus donate two books in gently used condition. (Bring books to race to donate for Libraries of Love- African Libraries, a 501c3.)