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ROTARY ROOTER



ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN MARCH 14, 2014



2013-14 CLUB-LEADERS

President:	Patrick O'Farrell
President-Elect:	Oliver Smith
Secretary:	Don Shindler
Treasurer:	Josh Little
Sergeant At Arms:	Ryan Zintgraff
Weekly Volunteers	Brigitte Benquet
Membership	Nancy Lehmann-Carsow
VP Club Service	Jerry McCulley
Bulletin	Harold Coleman
Club Historian	George Lewis
Photographers	Oliver Smith/HP Tobler
Set-up/Take-down	Ron Bolen/Tim Duffee/ Mike Moser/Kevin Lancaster
VP Community Service	Bob Allen
Programs	David Davis/Paul Ott
Publicity	
Website	
VP New Generations	
RYLA	
Interact	

Rotaract
Rotary Youth Exchange
VP Vocational Service
Fireside Meetings
Junior Achievement
Special Project (EAFK)
VP International Service
Peace Inst/PolioPlus
PET Austin
Matching Grant Projects

Rehema Orphanage
Grid Earth
PET Austin
ShelterBox
Libraries of Love
Global Grant Scholars

Sheila Allee
Kristi Holmes
Mike Jagers
Mike Jagers/Mike Moser
Casey Castle

Brigitte Benquet
Rick Hoffman
Dee Haddock

Tim Buckley
Rebecca Whitehouse
Kent Miller
Jim White
Oliver Smith, Ditas Hall,
Hanspeter Tobler
Nancy Lehmann-Carsow
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John & Audrey Cochrane
Jim White
Tony Thompson
Mary McCaffity
John Knifton



Comradery abounded at our recent "Birdcage Breakfast." Shown here are Larry Eichenbaum and captain Sarah Carriker from the winning team, Sarah's All-Stars. photo by Hanspeter Tobler

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?

Past Presidents Council
Endowment
Foundation
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Directors-At-Large

Steve Welch
John Voss
Ken Dickensheets
Tom Perkins/Dave Roon
Kent Duran/Dave Roon/
Sarah Carriker/Sheila Allee



ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

Friday, March 14, 2014 – 7:00 A.M.
Meeting at Balcones Country Club
Call to Order – Patrick O’Farrell, President
March is Literacy Month

TODAY’S PROGRAM

Michael Nayebe – “US/Iran Rapprochement”

Today’s program once again features the expertise of the Stratfor Global Intelligence group. Michael Nayebe, Middle East and North Africa Analyst, bears the heavy responsibility at Stratfor for coverage of one of the world’s most dynamic and volatile regions. He has written extensively and briefed institutional clients on energy issues and political trends in Iran, Iraq, North Africa and the Persian Gulf. Michael has an undergraduate degree from UT Austin and a masters degree from Carnegie-Mellon University and is fluent in Persian and French. He will brief us today on the current developments in this important international arena. For more information, go to:
<http://www.stratfor.com/video/conversation-state-negotiations-iran>

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

Greeter: Don Gonzenbach
Prayer & Pledge: Ryan Zintgraff
Sunshine Basket: Terral Smith
50/50 Ticket Sales: Lee Easter

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

Next Week: Tobler & Smith – “Digital Photography as a Hobby”
Mar 28 Ashley Lindsey, Stratfor – “Egypt: A New Pharaoh”
Apr 4 Paul Floyd, Stratfor – “China’s Military Ambitions”

MARCH Birthdays

- 01: Bill Estes
- 08: Mike Moser
- 03: Chuck Space
- 10: George Lewis

MARCH Club Anniversaries

- 01: Paul Ott (18)
- 02: Charles Harrison (7)
Rebecca Whitehouse (7)
- 09: Bill von Rosenberg (7), Sarah Carriker (7)
- 12: Kristi Holmes (4)
- 13: Jim White (5)
- 20: Terral Smith (5)
- 22: Casey Castle (1)
- 26: Harold Coleman (10)
- 23: Jeanne Durbin (1)
- 30: Kent Miller (7)



WEBSITES TO KNOW:

Club Website: [http:// www.nwaustinrotary.org](http://www.nwaustinrotary.org)
Club Facebook Page: <http://www.facebook.com/nwaustinrotary>
District 5870: <http://www.rotarydistrict5870.org/>
D5870 Special Site: <http://rotary4you.org/>
Rotary International: <http://www.rotary.org/>

AT OUR LAST MEETING

K. Lindsay Eaves – “The Underground Astronaut”

Lindsay is a Biological Anthropologist. She recently returned to Austin from several months in the Johannesburg area of South Africa. Lindsay is a member of the University of the Witwatersrand/National Geographic Society Rising Star Expedition, excavating and studying the most abundant early hominin [prehistoric man] site in southern Africa - the "cradle of humankind." For more information about her, go to:
http://www.researchgate.net/profile/K_Lindsay_Eaves/

Greeter: John Knifton
Prayer & Pledge: Bob Allen
Sunshine Basket: Rick Hoffman
50/50 Ticket Sales: Rick Hoffman
Humorist Emeritus: Dave Roon

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

Member Attendance: 44
50:50 Pot Winner: Ryan Zintgraff (\$21)

Rotary Minutes

- Dave Roon presented Tom Perkins with a thank you gift for all his hard work the past years on the fruit sale.
- Rock Hoffman announced that scholarship selections will be 3/31-4/11 and solicited for help.

Visiting Rotarians

Dick Pyle (Washington, DC & former NWAR member)

Other Visitors & Guests

Lizzie Baughman (of Nancy Lehmann-Carsow)

Club Member Make-ups

none



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

Volunteer Opportunity

House of Friends is looking for volunteers and participants!

- Program leadership
- Program staff (admin., food prep.)
- Service leaders and helpers
- Companions (those who work one on one with participants)
- Specialty (music, crafts, hospitality)

For information about participating in the non-profit House of Friends program, please contact Susie Petersen at 512-258-6017, email s.petersen419@gmail.com or see www.bethanyHOF.org

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

“Whenever you read a good book, somewhere in the world a door opens to allow in more light.”

Vera Nazarian



NEWS & EVENTS

UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

- Apr 11 NWAR Board Meeting
- Apr 18 Teacher & Paraprofessional Awards
- Apr 25 NWAR Scholarship Presentations
- May 1 A Night at the Theater, FIA Fundraiser

Upcoming District Events & Important Dates

- Apr 12 District Leadership Training (details below)
- Mar 6-9 Lone Star PETS - DFW Hyatt Regency
- May 16-18 District Conference – La Toretta Resort, Montgomery
- Jun 1-4 RI Conference – Sydney, Australia

Let's Go to the Theatre!

Treat your Significant Other (and yourself)! How about a night of live theatre? The Way Off Broadway Community Players of Leander is presenting "The Moving of Lilla Barton" on Thursday night, May 1. Tickets are \$30, \$20 of which is tax-deductible, and includes free refreshments and door prizes. Curtain time is 8:00 PM. A raffle of valuable gifts starts at 7:00 PM.

The play is a fundraiser for Faith in Action -- Drive a Senior NW, an organization supported by NWAR. All proceeds help us keep our services free and our senior neighbors in NW Austin, Cedar Park and Leander living independently. Contact Homer Goering for information and tickets: email: txcrndl@sbcglobal.net Ph: 512-337-7256

Club Leadership Training

Date: Saturday, April 12, 2014

Time: Registration Table Opens at 8:00 a.m., Session Begins at 9:00 a.m. Anticipated Completion by 3:00 p.m.

Place: Central Texas College,
6200 West Central Texas Expwy.,
Killeen, TX 76549

Lunch: Provided on campus and covered by registration fee
Who Should Attend: Presidents-Elect, President-Nominee, Club Officers Committee Chairmen and anyone else who wishes to learn more

Purpose: Provide Rotary Club Leaders with the necessary knowledge and motivation and develop the skills to:

- Support and Strengthen their Rotary Club
- Focus and Increase Humanitarian Service
- Enhance Public Image and Awareness

To register online use button on District home page or by mail download the form located under the button. Registration Fee: \$25 Payable Online, by check payable to Rotary District 5870 at the event, or mail check to Kirk Pate, District Registrar, P.O. Box 1072, Flatonia, TX 78941. Map is attached and cancellation policy is provided on the District website.

Note: NWAR pays the registration fee. Select the "pay by check" option and we'll cut one ck for all attending.

2014-15 NWAR Leaders

The club will vote today on this NWAR roster for the upcoming 2014-15 Rotary Year.

2014-15 Positions	Candidates	Assistant (s)
President	Oliver Smith	
President - Elect	Sarah Carriker	
Secretary	Don Shindler	TBD
Treasurer	Josh Little	TBD
Sergeant at Arms	Ryan Zintgraff	TBD
VP - Club Service	Larry Eichenbaum	TBD
VP - Community Service	Robert Allen	TBD
VP - New Generations	Mike Jaggars	Patrick O'Farrell
VP - Vocational Service	Rick Hoffman	Jesus Chavez
VP - International Service	Rebecca Whitehouse	TBD
Directors-at-Large	Kent Duran	
	Kristi Holmes	
	Casey Castle	
	Jesus Chavez	

“Team Perkins” Takes 3rd

(reprinted from PET Austin's online newsletter)

Thank you to all those who cast their votes for Tom Perkins during RecognizeGood's “Say Thanks, Austin” campaign. After receiving the RecognizeGood Legend award in September, Tom went head-to-head against other 2013 Legend award winners to see who could garner the most thank-you votes over the course of 25 days in January. The goal of the campaign is to shine a light on those “ordinary” extraordinary people all around us, and with over 62,000 votes in total that goal was certainly met. The votes poured in from all over Austin - in fact, thank yous were recorded from 18 different countries, 45 different U.S. states, and over 140 different cities just in the state of Texas! Supported by his Rotary Club and by board members of PET-Austin, Tom finished with more than 12,000 votes when all was said and done. Finishing in 3rd place overall, Tom received a pay-it-forward donation to PET-Austin in the amount of \$1,500.00. As those who know him might expect, Tom's spirits were merry at the “Say Thanks”, Austin closing ceremony.

Personal Energy Transportation (known as PET) was founded in 1994 by a retired missionary and a retired pastor with a vision of providing “The Gift of Mobility” to disabled people. Since that time, 22 PET Affiliates in the U.S. and 1 in Zambia have formed. PET-Austin was founded in 2008 and is a faith-based, 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. The 3-wheeled, off-road, hand-powered PETs are delivered at no cost to people in developing countries who have lost the use of their legs due to birth defects, polio, diabetes, spinal cord injuries, landmines or war. These rugged wheelchairs have succeeded in rural locations, on unpaved terrain, where conventional wheelchairs have failed. Since 1994, almost 50,000 PETs have been delivered in over 100 countries around the world.