

THE ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN SPONSORS

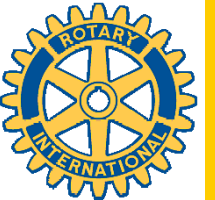
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ROTARY ROOTER

ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

APRIL 26, 2013



2012-13 CLUB-LEADERS

President:	Steve Welch
President-Elect:	Pat O'Farrell
Secretary:	Don Shindler
Treasurer:	Josh Little
Sergeant At Arms:	Bill Zipoy
Weekly Volunteers	Clifton Clyborne
Membership	Clifton Clyborne
VP Club Service	Jerry McCulley
Bulletin	Harold Coleman
Club Historian	George Lewis
Photographers	Oliver Smith/HP Tobler
Set-up/Take-down	Ron Bolen/Tim Dufee/ Mike Moser/Dave Corna
VP Community Service	Jim Henry
Programs	David Davis/Paul Ott
Publicity	
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	Kristi Holmes
Interact	Cornel Jones/Mike Moser
Rotaract	Gene Holiman
Rotary Youth Exchange	Brigitte Benquet
RYLA	Mike Jagers/Kent Duran
Boy Scouts	
VP Vocational Service	Rick Hoffman
Fireside Meetings	Dee Haddock
Junior Achievement	Mike Jagers
Special Project	Dave Roon
Past Presidents Council	Tony Thompson
Endowment	John Voss
Foundation	Ken Dickensheets
Fundraising	Tom Perkins
Director-At-Large	Kent Duran/Oliver Smith
Director-At-Large	Bob Allen



At a recent meeting, President Steve Welch talks with Past President Chuck Durant, who spoke to us about the Affordable Care Act and the state of healthcare in general.

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?



ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

Friday, April 26, 2013 – 7:00 A.M.

Meeting at Balcones Country Club

Call to Order – Tony Thompson, Past President

April is Magazine Month

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Dr. Jesus Chavez -

"A Retrospective on His Career in Education"

Today, our own Jesus Chavez, Superintendent of RRISD, will be our guest speaker. Jesus has been Superintendent since February of 2006 and will be retiring effective the end of 2013. He will provide us an update on the District's goals, current bond information and student performance statistics. We are hoping that Jesus will let us in on some of his retirement plans and on the search for his replacement. We have also asked him to let us know what he is most proud of accomplishing, laying his modesty aside! He has also promised to leave time for questions.

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

Greeter: Kristi Holmes
Prayer & Pledge: Oliver Smith
Sunshine Basket: Ryan Zintgraff
50/50 Ticket Sales: Sharon Sarles

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

Next Week: Student Scholarships Recognition Meeting

May 10 Ann Doerfler – "RYE, A Year in Review"
May 17 Pam LaBlanc - "Fit City"

APRIL Birthdays

05: Dave Roon
13: Paul Ott
18: Allan Adams
30: Bob Allen, Mary McCaffity

APRIL Club Anniversaries

05: Don Gonzenbach (11)
08: Dee Haddock (2)
15: Bob Allen (8), Steve Welch (8)
28: Jesus Chavez (7)



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/>
D5870 Special Site: <http://rotary4you.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

AT OUR LAST MEETING

Annual NWAR Teacher & Paraprofessional Awards

Last week's meeting was the first in a three part series celebrating public education in our community. Continuing a tradition that we began in 1995, we recognized teachers and paraprofessionals from our area schools. These individuals were chosen within their school because they are special. Public recognition and a small gift to each results in a very special occasion. In the next two weeks, our programs will continue with a special presentation from our member and RRISD Superintendent Jesus Chavez. The last program will be recognition of our 2013 Scholarship recipients. These programs will make you feel good about the state of public education in our Club's community.

Greeter: Casey Castle
Prayer & Pledge: Sharon Sarles
Sunshine Basket: none
50/50 Ticket Sales: none
Humorist Emeritus: none

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

Member Attendance: 51
50:50 Pot Winner: none

Rotary Minutes

- None due to time constraints.

Visiting Rotarians

Ed Lette – NE Austin
Teresa Breuggeman – Bee Cave

Other Visitors & Guests

Jerre Perkins (of Tom Perkins)
Michael McClennon (of Rick Hoffman)
Rose Avatari (of Sharon Sarles)

Club Member Make-ups

Bill Estes – NWAR Board Meeting (4/12)
Hanspeter Tobler – Club Leader Training (4/13), Bee Caves (4/16)
Pat O'Farrell – District Assembly (4/13), District Conference Planning Meeting (4/18)
Tim Buckley – District Assembly (4/13)
Kevin Lancaster – Cedar Park (4/2, 4/9, 4/16), Pflugerville (4/17)
Gene Holiman –Austin Cosmopolitan (4/11), District Assembly (4/13), South Austin (4/17), Austin Centennial (4/16 & 4/18)
Brigitte Benqut - Austin Centennial (4/16)
Jesus Chavez – Round Rock (4/4 & 4/11)
Lee Easter – Austin Downtown Centennial (4/6)
Jim Henry - District Assembly (4/13), Bee Caves (4/16)

Condolences

To Bill and Roger von Rosenberg on the passing of their father this week.



THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

"We're always bombarded with images from magazines of what looks cool and sexy."

Marilu Henner

EVERY
ROTARIAN
EVERY
YEAR

NEWS & EVENTS

UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

May 10 NWAR Board Meeting

Upcoming District Events & Important Dates

May 3 Inbound GSE Team Arrives - D3860, Cebu Philippines
5/31-6/2 D5870 Conference of Rotary Clubs
6/23-26 RI Convention – Lisbon, Portugal
July 12 Annual Club Installation Picnic
July 15 Libraries of Love Trip to Uganda

West, TX Explosion – Rotary Donations

District 5870 Keyway, Inc the 501(c)3 charitable financial arm of Rotary District 5870, is now accepting donations to assist the community of West, TX recover from the devastating explosion of a Fertilizer Plant on April 17, 2013. The first responders have done a wonderful job taking care of the immediate need and several gave their lives in a noble effort to protect others in the community. Our hearts grieve, and we offer our deepest condolences to their families, friends and communities. The death toll is now 14, with more than 200 injured. The community of West has been dealt a tremendous blow, but the spirit of the community is strong and the community will recover, and Rotarians from around the world are asking how they can help.

Monetary Contributions are needed now to help the community rebuild and replace vital services including schools, homes, fire department, streets, and other infrastructure. So I ask you all to please go to the link below and click on the blue DONATE FOR WEST button and make a very generous donation with credit card or check that will allow Rotarians help rebuild this beautiful community.

<http://www.clubrunner.ca/Portal/Home.aspx?did=5870>
PLEASE DONATE NOW!!

Yours in Service, D5870 Governor Rick Price

Improve the Engagement Process

To build and strengthen their membership, Rotary clubs must focus on engagement, not just recruitment. But engaging prospective and current club members is an ongoing process: People don't propose on the first date, so club members must stop asking young professionals to join Rotary the first time they meet. Joining Rotary is about building a relationship, the same as with other long-term experiences and commitments.

Use Your Social Media Account to Talk about Rotary

When Rotarians use their personal Facebook, LinkedIn, or Twitter account to talk about Rotary, they are making connections with their own online community. Do your friends and followers even know you are a member of Rotary? Tell them that you are, why Rotary matters to you, and how membership can benefit them.

Heartfelt Thanks from a Teacher

Northwest Austin Rotary,

I have known for many years what a wonderful organization you have in Northwest Austin Rotary. I have seen all the terrific things you do our community. You proved yourself again last Friday.

I want to thank you for a wonderful morning and breakfast. It is my honor to be named Teacher of the Year at Westwood High School. And I want to let you know your organization made me feel like exactly that. What a special morning! A terrific breakfast would have been good enough, but that was only the only beginning. Your monetary award was more than generous and very much appreciated. I think though the best part is the feeling you gave and the way we were treated. Every single thing you did was full of respect and sincerity. Every single thing you did was appreciated.

Personally, I want to thank you for the time and energy and love you give to the community throughout the year. I want to let you know that what you do is worthwhile and noticed and appreciated.

Thanks for making me feel special, Mike Kristan

The Life of Rotary Founder Paul Harris

Born in Racine, Wisconsin, USA, on 19 April 1868, Paul P. Harris was the second of six children of George N. and Cornelia Bryan Harris. At age three, he moved to Wallingford, Vermont, where he grew up in the care of his paternal grandparents, Howard and Pamela Harris. He attended the University of Vermont and Princeton University and received his law degree from the University of Iowa in 1891.

He spent the five years after graduation traveling around the country and working odd jobs. In 1896, he settled in Chicago and opened a law practice. Along with Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele and Hiram Shorey, he founded the Rotary Club of Chicago in 1905 and was elected its president in 1907.

In 1910, he met Jean Thomson during an outing with the Prairie Club, a Chicago-based organization for wilderness enthusiasts. Harris and Thomson married three months later and settled on Chicago's South Side.

In the same year, the National Association of Rotary Clubs was formed, and Harris was elected its first president. He held the office for two years and afterward became president emeritus, serving as the public face of the organization and promoting membership extension and service around the world.

Harris died on 27 January 1947, leaving a rich legacy of fellowship, professionalism, service, and friendship. His passing also sparked an outpouring of donations to The Rotary Foundation from all over the world, allowing the Foundation to greatly expand its programs and services.