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ROTARY ROOTER



ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN JUNE 6, 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/
Bob Allen
David Davis/Paul Ott

VP Community Service Programs
Publicity
Website
VP New Generations
RYLA
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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
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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



Several NWAR members made the trip to Monterrey Mexico, to discuss joint projects with members of our sister club, Monterrey Obispado, Shown here are Pat O'Farrell, Nancy Lehmann-Carsow, Ditas Hall and Hanspeter Tobler with our good friend, Miguel Yga (2nd from right).

photo courtesy of 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
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Steve Welch
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Sarah Carriker/Sheila Allee



ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

Friday, June 6, 2014 – 7:00 A.M.
Meeting at Balcones Country Club
Call to Order – Patrick O’Farrell, President
June is Rotary Fellowships Month

TODAY’S PROGRAM

John D. Doty – “Nicaraguan Clinic Global Grant”

John D. Doty, M.D., a Rotarian and President Elect of the Austin University Area Rotary Club, will be our guest speaker. He will present to us a proposal to assist with Casa Base de Salud/Nicaragua Clinic. Dr. Doty is Board Certified in Internal Medicine and in the subspecialty of Oncology. He has been recognized as a Health Care Hero by the Austin Business Journal and as Physician Humanitarian of the Year by the Travis County Medical Society. For more information, see the article on the next page.

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

Greeters: Bob Fulmer
Prayer & Pledge: Fred Morgan
Sunshine Basket: Linden Welsch
50/50 Ticket Sales: Virginia Hart

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

Next Week: Sue & Mart Hoffman – Capital City Village
June 20 Myra McLlwin – “German Immigrants and Hurricanes”
June 27 Adam Levy, “Search Engine Optimization”

JUNE Birthdays

22 Audrey Cochrane

Does anyone else have a June birthday?

JUNE Club Anniversaries

01 Tim Buckley (26)
01 Tom Perkins (26)
03: David Lott (9)
17: Tom Applegate (34)



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 meetings.

Online Rotary Club makeup: www.rotaryclubone.org

WEBSITES TO KNOW:

Club Website: 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

Terral Smith – “Mining – A Primer”

Our Speaker last week was our own Terral Smith who provided us with a Primer on Mining. The Program Committee often discovers that there is much we have to learn about our own members. Terral is known to us as a lawyer with expertise in helping businesses comply with laws and regulations related to employee benefits. However, before he became a lawyer, Terral worked in the mining industry; specifically, mining for natural resources underground. His presentation focused on the inside of an industry that has been key to our country’s strength and progress.

Greeters: Chuck Space
Prayer & Pledge: Jim White
Sunshine Basket: Jim Bieber
50/50 Ticket Sales: Don Gonzenbach
Humorist Emeritus: Homer Goering

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

Member Attendance: 52
50:50 Pot Winner: Becky Holditch (\$23)

Rotary Minutes

- President O’Farrell and 3 others visited the Monterrey Obispado club the week of May 23 to discuss joint projects, including a community center we helped supply with computers.
- President Pat also represented the club at Vandegrift’s awards presentation where 3 NWAR scholarships were given.
- Ken Dickensheets announced that the club was leading the district in PolioPlus donations.
- At the district conference, Ken Dickensheets was named “Foundation Hero,” Nancy Lehmann-Carsow was named to the district “Roll of Fame,” and Tim Buckley received the “Distinguished Service” award.
- Miguel Yga of Monterrey Obispado was name an honorary member of NWAR.
- Grants checks were presented to the Cochranes (\$675) for African solar lights and to Nancy Lehmann-Carsow (\$2,300) for the Rehema Orphanage library projects.

Visiting Rotarians - none

Other Visitors & Guests

Becky Holditch (of Damon Holditch)
Randy Feninoro (of jim White)

Club Member Make-ups

Pat O’Farrell - Monterrey Planning Meeting (5/16-19)
Jack & Audrey Cochrane – Conference of Rotary Clubs
Ditas Hall – Austin Downtown (5/20), Monterrey (5/23)
Nancy Lehmann-Carsow – Monterrey (5/23)
Lee Easter – Westlake (5/23)
Jesus Chavez – Round Rock Noon (5/8), RR Morning (5/10)



THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

“Good fellowship and friendship are lasting, rational and manly pleasures.”

William Wycherley

NEWS & EVENTS

UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

June 13 NWAR Board Meeting
June 27 NWAR Installation Picnic (details below)
July 4 NO MEETING DUE TO HOLIDAY!
Sep 5 Fruit Sale Captains Meeting
Sep 26 Fruit Sale Kickoff

Upcoming District Events & Important Dates

Jun 1-4 RI Conference – Sydney, Australia
Jun 21 Rotary Leadership Institute (see below for details)
July 11 Marble Falls Fish Fry

Installation Picnic

COME ONE, COME ALL TO THANK OUR DEPARTING PRESIDENT AND BOARD and WELCOME OUR NEW PRESIDENT AND BOARD at the Changeover Picnic on June 27, 2014 from 6-8:30PM. The festivities will be held at the Marquee Event Group facility on W. Howard Lane, about a mile west of I-35. We will provide a map before the event. Our very own Damon Holditch will host. We will start with a wine tasting from the Pilot Knob Winery collection and a tour of Marquee’s massive operation. After cocktails, we will picnic under a party tent provided by Marquee near the building. Our very own Kristen Stephens owner of Austin Catering will present a picnic buffet that will impress. All this for only \$25 per person! So mark your calendars and make your reservations at the sign in desk over the next few weeks.

Rotary Leadership Institute Training

The next session of our Rotary Leadership Institute will be held on Saturday, June 21, from 9AM to 3PM at the Georgetown Health Foundation’s Community Rooms, 2423 Williams Dr. Suite 101, Georgetown.

The Rotary Leadership Institute is a grassroots, multi-district leadership development program whose mission is to strengthen Rotary clubs through quality leadership education.

• Who should attend?
Rotarians who are in, or will be in, a position of leadership on the club or district level. The Rotarian should have some Rotary experience and not a brand new member.

• What will be taught?
A discussion of key Rotary topics with a focus as to how you can use leadership techniques to lead your area of responsibility.

• What does it cost?
\$25 covers coffee and lunch.

• How do I register to attend?
Email PDG Barry Curlee at bcurlee@gmail.com. The registration deadline is June 14. When you register to attend, materials will be emailed to you to print out and bring to the meeting. Please review the materials and be prepared to participate heavily in the discussions.



An Austin physician leaves his practice to relieve suffering in Nicaragua

It was 1989 when Dr. John Doty saw true poverty for the first time. "My brother asked me to go on a short-term medical mission," he recalls. "I had always enjoyed canoeing, camping, backpacking — so I saw it as an adventure. I signed up on a lark." But what he saw when he traveled to Peru on that mission changed him forever. "I was confronted with what poverty is. True world poverty is unimaginably harsh. When you see starving children, and when you see untreated health problems that are easily correctible, you're driven to do something about it."

He and his brother also realized the limitations of short-term medical brigades. "You drop down in the community, you treat the kids for worms, you give them vitamins and treat the lice, but you can't really treat serious illnesses because you have no lab, no medical records, and limited medicines. Then, you get back on your plane and you might as well be flying back to Mars." With no follow-up, within a few months, the kids they treated would be re-infested with worms and lice. Dr. Doty thought there had to be a better way.

With a civil war breaking out in Peru, Dr. Doty and the medical brigade, realizing they couldn't go back there, sought out another place where they could minister. Through some connections, they were able to build a relationship with Dr. Nour Sirker in Nicaragua, so they set their sights there. In 1992, a team from Doty's church, along with people from other churches around Austin, started taking medical teams to Nicaragua. But this time, they had a bigger vision — they wanted to do more than just treat patients for a week or two.

During the past 17 years they've done just that. They've developed and funded many different initiatives, including partnerships with five different clinics in Nicaragua, an effort to provide breast and cervical cancer care in cooperation with other groups (cervical cancer is the No.1 killer of Nicaraguan women between the ages of 30 and 60), and the development of a Nicaraguan cancer registry (with the help of donated computers).

The group also recruits U.S. doctors to get involved by building relationships with Nicaraguan doctors and passing along their expertise, knowledge, and skills. "I pair U.S. doctors with a Nicaraguan doctor in their specialty. The U.S. doctors will pick a topic, lecture on it, discuss cases, and transfer their knowledge to the specialist in Nicaragua. When they come back to the U.S., their skills and knowledge are left in Nicaragua."

To find out more about Austin Samaritans, visit www.austinsamaritans.org.