





# ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

Friday, June 9, 2017 – 7:00 A.M.

Meeting at Balcones Country Club

Call to Order – Kevin Lancaster, President

**June is Rotary Fellowship Month**

## TODAY'S PROGRAM

### Sandra Molinari, Community Education Director of SAFE

*Did you know that children who have experienced abuse or neglect are two to three times more likely to experience violence and abuse as adults? Or that 33.2% of adult Texans have experienced some form of sexual assault in their lifetime?* Austin's SAFE Alliance (Stop Abuse for Everyone) works in collaboration with community stakeholders to end sexual assault and exploitation, child abuse and domestic violence through prevention, intervention and advocacy for change. Today, Sandra Molinari, Director of Community Education at SAFE, will speak about the agency's vision of a just and safe community free from violence and abuse, and provide a brief overview of SAFE's services, prevention and advocacy work. SAFE is a merger of Austin Children's Shelter and SafePlace. For more information, go to: <http://www.safeaustin.org/>

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

Greeter: Byron Walston  
Prayer & Pledge: Kent Miller  
Sunshine Basket: Tony Thompson  
50/50 Ticket Sales: Larry Eichenbaum  
Setup: Steven Wilson

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

**Next Week:** Jimmy Flannigan, Austin City Council Member District 6  
June 23 Michael Gill, "Senior Living in Austin"  
June 30 Frank Leffingwell Jr., "Regional Transportation Planning and CAPCOG"

## JUNE Birthdays

02 Debbie Tam  
22 Audrey Cochran

### Are there any other June birthdays?

## JUNE Club Anniversaries

01 Hanspeter Tobler (39)  
01 Tim Buckley (29)  
01 Tom Perkins (29)  
03: David Lott (12)  
12 Emma Sue Smallwood (2)  
17: Tom Applegate (37)



## WEBSITES TO KNOW:

Club Website: <http://www.nwaustinrotary.club>  
Club Facebook Page: <http://www.facebook.com/nwaustinrotary>  
Club Fruit Sale Website: [rotaryfruit.org](http://rotaryfruit.org)  
District 5870: <http://www.rotarydistrict5870.org/>  
Rotary International: <http://www.rotary.org/>

## AT OUR LAST MEETING

### Mary Reynolds, "Early Act First Knight"

At last week's meeting, Mary Reynolds informed us about Rotary's Early Act First Knight program for school students. Mary is a retired elementary/ special ed teacher from the AISD and RRISD. She is currently President of Around Austin Inc., a Destination Management company that has served Austin for more than 27 years. She has been a member of the Austin Rotary Club for 20 years and serves as VP of Community Service and as the District EAFK Chair. As a Rotarian, Mary has been honored with the Austin Community service award, Roll of Fame, RI Service Above Self Award and is a Major Donor. For more information, go to: <http://www.eafk.org/>

Greeter: Bill Estes  
Prayer & Pledge: Paul Ott  
Sunshine Basket: Sandy Wahl  
50/50 Ticket Sales: Don Shindler  
Setup: Jim Clements  
Humorist Emeritus: Homer Goering

**NOTE: Unless otherwise announced, Sunshine Basket proceeds are split between PolioPlus and TRF Annual Fund.**

Member Attendance: 49 (of 96 active)  
**50:50 Pot Winner:** Mark Dietz (\$46)

### Rotary Minutes

- Jim Henry inducted Rachel Ruiz, sponsored by Kevin Lancaster, and Gordon Loomer, sponsored by Tom Perkins.
- Joe Ramirez gave his classification talk..
- Sandy Wahl, Scott Isaacson, Arval Headrick, Joe Ramirez, Denny Bubrig and Byron Walston received their permanent badges.

### Visiting Rotarians

Jerry Chapman – Cedar Park  
Mary Reynolds (speaker) – Austin Downtown

### Other Visitors & Guests

Wayne Hegwood (of Kevin Lancaster)  
Rachel Ruiz (of Kevin Lancaster)  
Gordon Loomer (of Tom Perkins)

### Club Member Make-ups

Gene Holiman –Austin Centennial (5/23), Indian Rotarians Reception (5/24), DAP Grant Meeting (5/30), District PR Meeting (5/31), Georgetown (6/2) & Centennial Adoption Festival (6/3)

**MAKE-UP MEETING LOCATIONS:** due to frequent changes in club meeting times and places, go to the District 5870 website and click on the When and Where Clubs Meet link under the Clubs tab for a list of area club meeting places and times.  
**Online Rotary Club make-up:** [www.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org)



## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

*"There are some people who, if they don't already know, you can't tell 'em."*

Yogi Berra



# NEWS & EVENTS

### UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

Today NWAR Board Meeting  
Jun 23 Installation Picnic, Marquee Events

### Upcoming District Events & Important Dates

Jun 10-14 RI Conference, Atlanta, GA  
Jun 16 House of Friends Gala, Bethany UMC Church  
Jun 17 DG & Club Leaders Installation Luncheon, 11:30 AM, Reunion Ranch  
Jun 25 Drive-A-Senior Northwest benefit Play, 6 PM, Leander

### Online Registration for DG Installation Luncheon

Our club is hosting the District Governor Installation luncheon for our own Gene Holiman on June 17th. Let's show him some love and make sure he begins the new Rotary year knowing he has our support! Please make plans to join us Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 11:30am-2:00pm at Reunion Ranch, 850 CR 255, Georgetown, TX.

This event is just 10 days away and we need a final headcount early next week. The dress is casual and the event is indoors. Reunion Ranch is located at 850 Co Rd 255, Georgetown, TX, 78633. BBQ is on the menu. Tickets are \$40 per adult. Let's have a great showing from NW Austin Rotary! Link to register: <http://rotarydistrict5870.org/60098/Page/ShowSitePage?ClassCode=SitePage&Slug=district-installation-banquet>

Thank you, Sarah Carriker, 512-496-5700

### House of Friends American Songbook Benefit Gala

Friday, June 16, 2017  
Time: 6:30 PM

Bethany U. M. C. Worship Center

The evening features Austin's Kris Kimura Quartet playing American classics through the decades, scrumptious hor d'oeuvres and desserts, and a prize drawing. Special thanks to major sponsor, the Austin Jazz Society.

Advance Tickets Reservation: \$35  
Tickets at the Door: \$40

All proceeds from American Songbook will benefit House of Friends, a FREE respite program for those with early stages of dementia. This weekly social program provides a supported day for the dementia participant and offers the family caregiver a much needed respite from their 24/7 caregiver role. Socialization, exercise, singing, games and a healthy meal are part of this therapeutic day. Please join us in this annual fundraiser to benefit the non-profit House of Friends. For more information, contact: Mindy, 512-771-6520 or Susie, 512-258-6017 x254

### NWAR Installtion Picnic Notes

Thanks to Damon Holdritch for graciously allowing us to use his venue for the installation picnic again this year. It is currently set up for June 23, 2017 6:30 PM. The cost is 30.00 per person and Kristin Stephens will be our caterer.

### Club Positions Available

We have two openings in the club that need to be filled ASAP as we head into the new Rotary Year:

**Treasurer** - this person is responsible for managing the club bank accounts, collecting annual dues, collecting weekly breakfast fees, and writing checks for club expenses and to grant recipients. You will work with the Rotary Foundation and pay club invoices from Rotary International.

**Club Services VP** - responsible for planning club social activities, organizing club service projects, coordinating fundraising (not LEADING it) and coordinating Club Communication and Publication activities (again, not necessarily DOING them). You can make as much of this position as you wish.

These are both NW Austin Rotary Board positions. If you are interested in filling one of these club leadership roles, please contact Danny Davila by phone at 512-258-6637 or email him at [danny@dktxcpa.com](mailto:danny@dktxcpa.com).

### Rotary Excels in Customer Service

The Rotary Support Center, which received approximately 50,000 phone calls and 84,000 emails this past year, has earned the BenchmarkPortal certification as a Center of Excellence, a noted designation in the customer service and support industry.

The Center of Excellence certification is only achieved by customer care facilities ranking in the top ten percent of call centers surveyed across the United States.

"I am proud to have such a dedicated team to support Rotary members as they work to improve lives and create positive lasting change in communities around the world," said Howard Henry, Support Center manager.

The Rotary Support Center was evaluated on its ability to be efficient and effective, while providing great service at the lowest marginal costs compared to other centers in the service industry.

### Save the Date – Drive a Senior Benefit

The Way Off Broadway Community Players will be putting on a one-night-only benefit performance for the Drive A Senior Northwest program entitled, "Till Beth Do Us Part." Great community theater, fabulous raffle prizes, snacks and drinks beforehand. Doors open at 5:00 to allow for raffle ticket purchases; play starts at 6:00. See Homer Goering for details and tickets to this sidesplitting comedy. You may also order tickets online at: <http://driveaseniornorthwest.org/june-25th-fundraiser>

Fruit Sale starts in four months, get ready to: **AFTO!**