

## THE ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN SPONSORS

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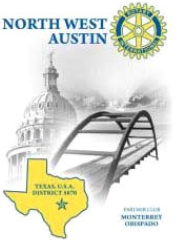
# ROTARY ROOTER

## ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN



ROTARY:  
MAKING A  
DIFFERENCE

JULY 21, 2017



### 2017-18 CLUB-LEADERS

#### OFFICERS

President:  
President-Elect:  
Secretary:  
Treasurer:  
Sergeant At Arms:  
Immediate Past President  
VP Club Service

Danny Davila  
Beatriz Zilveti  
Greg Rabaey  
Debbie Tam  
Steven Wilson  
Kevin Lancaster  
Kristin Stephens/  
Scott Isaacson  
Andy MacFarlane  
Audrey & John Cochran  
Jesus Chavez  
Rick Hoffman  
Mark Dietz  
Paul Ott

VP Community Service  
VP International Service  
VP Vocational Service  
VP Youth Service  
Member-At-Large  
Member-At-Large

#### SPECIAL PROJECT CHAIRS

Bulletin/Website  
Communications  
Early Act First Knight  
Endowment Chair  
Foundation  
Fundraising  
Membership  
Past Presidents Council  
Photographer  
PolioPlus  
Program Committee  
Weekly Meeting Volunteers

Harold Coleman  
Arval Headrick  
Tim Buckley  
John Voss  
Ken Dickensheets  
Sarah Carriker  
Beatriz Zilveti/Arval Headrick  
Kevin Lancaster  
Hanspeter Tobler  
Kent Miller  
David Davis  
Brigitte Benquet



Last week's meeting featured District Governor Gene Holiman (r) and his wife Kathleen. Damon Holditch presented Kathleen with a piggy bank full of coins to help fill Penelope the Polio Pig in her efforts to raise funds for PolioPlus.

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, July 21, 2017 – 7:00 A.M.  
Meeting at Balcones Country Club  
Call to Order – Danny Davila, President  
*July Begins a New Rotary Year!*

## TODAY’S PROGRAM

### Rabbi Marie Betcher, “Swan Songs”

Harry Polly will introduce us to Rabbi-Cantor Marie Betcher who is on the Board of Directors for Swan Songs, an Austin organization that provides musical performances to those with terminal medical conditions. Originally from Brooklyn, NY, Rabbi Betcher received Bachelor and Master of Music Degrees in Vocal Performance from Indiana University School of Music and Florida State respectively. She is honored to serve the Cedar Park Police and Fire Departments as a Chaplain. Perhaps she will also help "break" our Club's tradition of not singing at our meetings! For more information, go to:  
<http://www.mariebetcher.com/>, or <http://www.swansongs.org/>

We will also have short presentations from some of this year’s RYLA campers.

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

Greeter: Larry Eichenbaum  
Prayer & Pledge: Dave Benjamin  
Sunshine Basket: Sandy Wahl  
50/50 Ticket Sales: Byron Walston  
Setup: Jim Clements

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

**Next Week:** Alexander Wild, Ph.D., Curator of Entomology, UT  
Aug 4 Harry Polly, “Youth Sailing Program in Hawaii”  
Aug 11 Deeda Payton Lovett, Community Impact Newspaper

### JULY Birthdays

18: Danny Davila  
19: Dick Hamilton  
21: Wayne Lott  
25: Gene Holiman



### JULY Club Anniversaries

01: Homer Goering (30), Ditas Hall (26), Wayne Lott (14), Danny Davila (6)  
03: Jim Clements (2)  
07: Gonzalo Garza (18)  
29: Larry Eichenbaum (12)

### 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/>

**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 makeup:** [www.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org)

## AT OUR LAST MEETING

### District Governor Visit – Gene Holiman

At last week’s meeting, we welcomed our very own District 5870 District Governor Gene Holiman to our club. Governor Holiman gave his “State of the District” address and discussed his plans for this year, emphasizing membership and hands on projects. Gene is a proud member of our club, having served as President in 2006-07. For more information about Gene, see his bio on the district website.

Greeter: Rick Naylor  
Prayer & Pledge: Emma Sue Smallwood  
Sunshine Basket: Harry Polly  
50/50 Ticket Sales: Tim O’Brien  
Setup: Steven Wilson  
Humorist Emeritus: Homer Goering

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

Member Attendance: 44 (of 92 active)  
**50:50 Pot Winner:** Chuck Space (\$31)

### Rotary Minutes

- Jim White thanked the club for our donation to World Wide Mobility, formerly PET Austin.
- President Danny Davila announced there is a Multi-District Training Institute in Austin Aug 11-12.

### Visiting Rotarians

Terry Folkers – Georgetown  
Christine Kempff – Austin Cosmopolitan  
Ken Hay – Cedar Park  
Monica Sharp – Austin Cosmopolitan  
Anna Johndrow – Austin Centennial



### Other Visitors & Guests

Jeffrey Mayes (of Henry Mayes)  
Wayne Hegwood (of Kevin Lancaster)  
Midge Norris, Albert & Cheryl Lewis (of Emma Sue Smallwood)

### Club Member Make-ups

Tim Buckley – Marble Falls Fish Fry (7/7) & NXNE Austin (7/12)  
Gene Holiman – Lagrange (7/8), Centennial & Cedar Park (7/7)

### New Member Proposal

Kevin Lancaster has proposed Wayne Hegwood for membership in our Club. Wayne has attended several club meetings, and is interested in joining our Club. He is a partner in B2B CFO. He provides CFO services to small and medium size businesses. Wayne is active in his Church and in the community. He loves to play golf in his free time, when he's not spending time with his family. Wayne's proposed classification is Business Consulting.

## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

*"When one burns one’s bridges, what a very nice fire it makes."*

Dylan Thomas

# NEWS & EVENTS

### UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

Aug 11 NWAR Board Meeting

### Upcoming District Events & Important Dates

Aug 1 D5870 at the Ball Park (Round Rock Express)  
Aug 5 Public Image Training Day – Bastrop  
Aug 11-12 Multi-District Training Institute - Austin  
Aug 26 Foundation Seminar – Georgetown  
Nov 3-5 Multi-District Reunion, San Marcos  
Sep 9 Membership Seminar & RYLA Roundup  
Dec 9 District AG Training  
Feb 3 District Foundation Gala, La Fontera, Round Rock  
Mar 1-4 Lone Star PETS  
Apr 14 District Assembly – Central TX College, Killeen  
May 4-6 District Conference – Tapatio Springs Resort, Boerne

### Early Act First Knight

NWAR is sponsoring Early Act First Knight along with the Rotary Club of North by Northeast at Hart Elementary School beginning this school year. All Rotarians are invited and encouraged to attend the Tournament of Champions student orientation at Hart Elementary on Thursday morning, August 24, at 9:00 AM on the back lawn of the school. The event features armored knights riding atop live warhorses in a reenactment of an authentic medieval competition. Complete with narration and music soundtrack, the Tournament combines realistic action with a message that introduces EAFK and The Four Way Test.

The school is located at 8301 Furness Drive, just north of Rutherford and east of I-35. Let's have a great turnout to support the start of this wonderful program.

Thanks, Tim Buckley, EAFK Chair

### RYLA 2017

Once again our RYLA campers had great fun, success and learned a lot at this years camp. We sponsored six campers from our area high schools. Today we will have the following campers give a short presentation on what RYLA has meant to them and some of the things that they learned and experienced.

### Vandegrift High School

Justin Williamson  
Karli Redwine  
Landon Palmer

### McNeil High School

Sofia Pratt

Also in attendance are two of this year's camp counselors:

Maria Krychniak  
Khira Patel

Thank you for your sponsorship and continued support of this great leadership program.



### Message From the District Governor

To Rotarians of District 5870 Central Texas,

Wow, time really flies, when you are having fun. And when important deadlines keep creeping up on you. That has been the whirlwind life of your new District Governor over the past few months. But as of July 1, 2017, the wait is over. Service in my new role has begun.

My main roles as DG fall into four categories... planner, organizer, cheerleader, and Rotarian.

**Planner:** Since I became District Governor-Elect last summer, I have been busy establishing goals to help District 5870 maintain its enviable leadership role within Zones 21B and 27 - in the Public Image and Foundation arenas. I've set up targets and benchmarks I'd like see our individual clubs and the district itself strive to achieve this Rotary year, under the banner of DG One Initiatives. I'll roll these out to all clubs and Rotarians over the next few weeks during my club visits.

**Organizer:** Whether you realized it or not, there are nearly 800 Rotarians serving in leadership positions in clubs and on the district level. You, of course, selected your own club officers and committee chairs and members, but there are approximately one hundred and fifty resources in District leadership positions to help guide your clubs wherever they face challenges or have questions. And many more hard drivers serve on club committees on all levels to actually be the "boots on the ground" to effect Service Above Self all around our Central Texas district. We are a strong district, and I hope we'll continue to get even better in all endeavors we undertake. This year we'll primarily focus on membership growth and retention.

**Cheerleader:** Perhaps the most important role I have for 2017-18. I can provide goals, Cheerleading, Guidance, Answers, and perhaps some manpower myself. But the real work - and fun - of Rotary happens in clubs. Individual members working together to MAKE A DIFFERENCE, as our new Rotary International President Ian Riseley has encouraged.

**Rotarian:** Except for titles, we're all alike - People of Action, Clubs in Action.

I'm ready for the challenge of being your new District Governor. I'm honored and humbled. Let's get to work to accomplish much. And have fun doing so. Together. Gene Holiman, DG5870, '17-'18

### Perky the Pig

We have our very own pig to help Kathleen Holiman with her DG spouse project of raising money for PolioPlus. Named after one of more esteemed members, don't forget to make your contributions to Perky.