













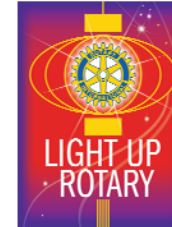


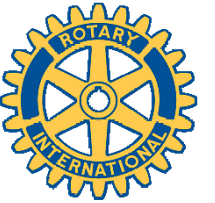
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ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN JULY 25, 2014



2014-15 CLUB-LEADERS

President:	Oliver Smith
President-Elect:	Sarah Carriker
Secretary:	Don Shindler
Treasurer:	Josh Little
Sergeant At Arms:	Ryan Zintgraff
Weekly Volunteers	Brigitte Benquet
Membership	TBD
VP Club Service	Larry Eichenbaum
Bulletin	Harold Coleman
Club Historian	George Lewis
Photographers	TBD
Set-up/Take-down	Ron Bolen / Kevin Lancaster/ Mike Moser / Tim Duffee
VP Community Service Programs	Bob Allen
Publicity Website	D. Davis / P. Ott / S. Allee
VP New Generations	Tony Thompson / Bill Estes / Chuck Durant / Ray Roark
RYLA	TBD
Interact	Sheila Allee / Sarah Carriker
Rotaract	Mike Jagers
Rotary Youth Exchange	Virginia Hart / Pat O'Farrell
VP Vocational Service	Mike Moser / Casey Castle
Scholarships	TBD
Teacher & Para Awards	Brigitte Benquet
Fireside Meetings	Jesus Chavez
Junior Achievement	TBD
Early Act First Knight	Dee Haddock
VP International Service	TBD
Peace Inst/PolioPlus	Tim Buckley
PET Austin	John & Audrey Cochrane
Matching Grant Projects	Kent Miller
Rehema Orphanage	Jim White
Grid Earth	Mary McCaffity, Ditas Hall, Nancy Lehmann-Carssow
ShelterBox	Nancy Lehmann-Carssow
Global Grant Scholars	John & Audrey Cochrane
	Tony Thompson
	John Knifton

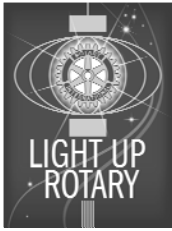


At last week's meeting, six 2014 RYLA Campers and one ex-camper counselor gave excellent presentations on what RYLA means to them.
photo by Hanspeter Tobler

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?

Directors-At-Large	Kent Duran / Casey Castle/ Kristi Holmes
VP Fundraising	Dave Roon
Fruit Sales	Dave Roon / Sarah Carriker
Past Presidents Council	Tom Perkins
Endowment	Patrick O'Farrell
Foundation	John Voss
	Ken Dickensheets



ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

Friday, July 25, 2014 – 7:00 A.M.
Meeting at Balcones Country Club
Call to Order – Oliver Smith, President
July begins a new Rotary year!

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Jim Henry - ADG Presentation & Cards for the Troops

Today, Past President Jim Henry will be with us Friday wearing his Assistant District Governor hat. Jim will be preparing us for our year under our new District Governor Hanspeter Tobler. Recognizing our club won't need as much background on our DG, Jim has graciously given back half his time to the club so that we can sign Christmas Cards for our servicemen and women. We are getting an early start this year so that we can get the cards to the troops in plenty of time. And the good news... we won't need to stuff envelopes this year!

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

Greeter: George Lewis
Prayer & Pledge: Fred Morgan
Sunshine Basket: Brigitte Benquet
50/50 Ticket Sales: Danny Davila

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

Next Week: Adam Levy – "Search Engine Optimization"
Aug 8 Kathy Stearman, Former FBI Agent
Aug 15 Ian Usher – "Push Beyond Your Comfort Zone"

JULY Birthdays

08: Bill Farrell
18: Danny Davila
19: Dick Hamilton
21: Wayne Lott
25: Gene Holiman
28: Bob Watson



JULY Club Anniversaries

01: Homer Goering (27), Ditas Hall (23), Chuck Durant (16), Wayne Lott (11), Danny Davila (3)
06: Hanspeter Tobler (13)
07: Gonzalo Garza (15)
29: Larry Eichenbaum (9)

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

Mike Jaggars & Campers – "RYLA Report"

At last week's meeting, NWAR New Generations VP Mike Jaggars shared with us the story of RYLA, as did six of this year's RYLA Campers. These young high school men and women told us about their experience at this summer's camp. A number of their parents and family members also attended. Kevin Wu, a camper from several years ago and currently a RYLA counselor, also made a brief presentation. It was an excellent program highlighting Rotary and our club's activities with the youth of our neighborhood.

Greeter: Dick Hamilton
Prayer & Pledge: Wayne Thompson
Sunshine Basket: Clifton Clyborne
50/50 Ticket Sales: Mark Dietz
Humorist Emeritus: Ray Roark

NOTE: Sunshine Basket proceeds were donated to help fund RYLA Counselor Austin Morgan's recovery from injuries sustained in a bike accident.

Member Attendance: 46
50:50 Pot Winner: Ken Dickensheets (\$16, added to Sunshine Basket)

Rotary Minutes

- The club voted to give the proceeds from today's sunshine basket to RYLA camper Austin Morgan, injured in a cycling accident.
- TRF Chair Ken Dickensheets presented Sarah Carriker and Jeanne Durbin with their initial Paul Harris Fellow awards.

Visiting Rotarians

Tom Wichete – NXNE Austin

Other Visitors & Guests

None, other than family members of RYLA participants

Club Member Make-ups

Ken Dickensheets – Bi-district & NWAR Board meetings (7/11)
Mary McKafity – District Grant Training (7/12)
Tim Buckley – Marble Falls Fish Fry & Conference of Governors (7/11)
Tony Thompson – NWAR Board Meeting (7/11)
Kent Miller – Lansing-Ithaca NY (7/15)
Gene Holiman – NXNE Austin (6/14)



2015 RI Convention Registration

To learn more about the 2015 Rotary International Convention or to register, please go to:
<http://www.riconvention.org/en/2014/Pages/saopaulo2015.aspx>

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

"Setting an example is not the main means of influencing others; it is the only means."

Albert Einstein

NEWS & EVENTS

UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

Aug 8 NWAR Board Meeting
Sep 5 Fruit Sale Captains Meeting
Sep 26 Fruit Sale Kickoff

Upcoming District Events & Important Dates

August 16 Foundation Seminar - Georgetown Health Foundation
Sept 19-21 30th Bi-District Reunion with District 4130
Jun 6-9 RI Convention – Sao Paolo, Brazil

Art Provides a Universal Language of Peace

by Kelly Mellos, fine artist and member of the Rotary Club of Encinitas Coastal, California, USA

"People don't get along because they fear each other. People fear each other because they don't know each other. They don't know each other because they have not properly communicated with each other." — Martin Luther King, Jr.

These words deeply resonated with me when the director of Hands of Peace came to speak to my club, explaining his dream of launching a grassroots peace project in our area, an expansion after 10 years in Chicago. Two years later, after our club's initial alignment with Hands of Peace, the program is off the ground! Countless hours went into raising funds, recruiting volunteers and host families, and creating a three-week program, based on our mission of building peacemaking and leadership skills through the power of dialogue and personal relationships.

I personally found strength in 2012-13 RI President Sakuji Tanaka's plea from Lisbon to start up peacemaking efforts in our communities and the belief that complacency on violence was no longer an option.

Twenty-four Hands of Peace students, ages 15-18, arrived in San Diego from Israel, Palestine, and the U.S. on 6 July. They were eager to meet host families and start an intense three weeks of dialogue, and take part in activities designed to break down barriers — a unique opportunity to meet with "the other side."

My portrait workshop was the first planned activity. As a teacher of classical art, I have seen the power of art in peacemaking and designed a program to build trust and compassion, celebrate our similarities and differences, learn a positive outlet for dealing with conflict, and speak in a universal language that goes beyond words (which often fail). Later that day, the students had a chance to draw one another. It was interesting to see the walls come down as they observed one another in this intimate way. They were so quick to love and respect one another, it was difficult to fathom the cycle of violence many are experiencing at home — and that many of their family and friends are experiencing even as I write this.

The students are here for one more week. I will diligently put one foot in front of the other in the movement toward non-violence, hoping that this is a wave that envelops them and contributes to a movement of transforming fear into love. Please join me, Rotarian Friends.



NELSON MANDELA REMEMBERED AS AN ALLY FOR PEACE, POLIO ERADICATION

In 1996, routine polio immunizations in Nigeria and other African countries were anything but routine. Competing health priorities and lack of funding hampered many governments from putting polio eradication high on their agenda. The drive for a polio-free Africa needed a playmaker.

Enter Nelson Mandela. Herb Brown, Rotary's president in 1995-96, recalls seeking the South African leader's support. "President Mandela was so gracious and listened as we described the problem," Brown says. "I told him only he had the influence to persuade the countries to resume immunization." Mandela agreed to help. "I'm well aware of Rotary and all the work you've done, and all the work you did while I was in jail," he told Brown. At a press conference, with Brown at his side, Mandela asked all the heads of state in Africa to open their doors to polio National Immunization Days.

Mandela helped launch the Kick Polio Out of Africa campaign later that year with 1996-97 Rotary President Luis Giay and Rotary Foundation Chair Rajendra Saboo. Almost immediately, Africa's polio eradication effort was back on track. Using soccer matches and celebrity endorsements, the campaign raised public awareness of polio and helped spur more than 30 African countries to hold their first National Immunization Days.

In recognition of his vital work, Rotary presented the Rotary Award for World Understanding to Mandela in 1997, then Rotary's highest honor. "We chose President Mandela because of his significant contributions to world peace, human rights, and freedom," said Giay, adding that Rotary members especially appreciated "his strong support of the eradication of polio throughout Africa."

Mandela called the award "a tribute to the people of South Africa's rainbow nation." Rotary's work toward eradicating polio "has shown the power of a global network of people who are ready to roll up their sleeves and put their heart and soul into saving children from disability."

Mandela donated the award's \$100,000 prize to the Nelson Mandela Children's Fund. Following his death, Rotary members in South Africa lauded Mandela as "one of the 20th century's iconic symbols of freedom and equality," "the father of the nation," and "a leader of service."

"Mandela was a man who overcame unimaginable hardships to emerge as one of the greatest leaders of our time — and one of our greatest humanitarians... [His] legacy of courage, determination, and commitment will forever inspire us to move forward in our effort to achieve a better, more peaceful world," said Rotary President Ron Burton.