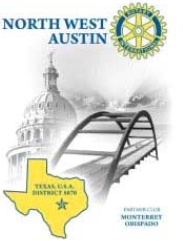


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ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN AUGUST 21, 2015



2015-16 CLUB-LEADERS

OFFICERS

President:	Sarah Carriker
President-Elect:	Kevin Lancaster
President Nominee:	Ryan Zintgraff
Secretary:	Greg Rabaey
Treasurer:	Josh Little
Sergeant At Arms:	Ryan Zintgraff
Immediate Past President:	Oliver Smith
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VP Community Service:	Bob Allen
VP Vocational Service:	Jesus Chavez & Chuck Durant
VP International Service:	Audrey & John Cochrane
VP Youth Service:	Mike Jagers
Member-At-Large:	Salvador Apud
Member-At-Large:	Roy Pequeno

SPECIAL PROJECT CHAIRS

Bulletin	Harold Coleman
Communications	Sheila Allee-Kershaw
Early Act First Knight	Tim Buckley
Endowment Chair	John Voss
Foundation	Ken Dickensheets
Fundraising	Dave Roon
Membership	Oliver Smith & Marietta Silva
Past Presidents Council	Oliver Smith
Photographers	Oliver Smith & Hanspeter Tobler
PolioPlus	Kent Miller
Program Committee	David Davis
Website	Sheila Allee-Kershaw
Weekly Meeting Volunteers	Brigitte Benquet



At last week's meeting, Roy Pequeno (l) and Jim Bieber (r) relinquished their red badges and were awarded permanent ones. President Sarah Carriker congratulates 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?



ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

Friday, August 21, 2015 – 7:00 A.M.

Meeting at Balcones Country Club

Call to Order – Sarah Carriker, President

August is Membership & Extension Month

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Homer and Mary Goering, “A Gift of Clean Water”

NWAR member Homer Goering and his wife Mary will be our presenters today. Mary is a native of England and is retired from her position as Director of Human Resources at Austin Regional Clinic. She is also an artist, focusing on ocean-related themes. Homer spent the major portion of his career in various aspects of the energy industries. In their retirement both are involved in numerous volunteer services and church-related activities. Their program today covers their recent trip to Ethiopia where they became more knowledgeable in the problems and solutions of clean water supply issues in rural Africa, an effort driven by the “Water to Thrive” organization. Homer and Mary truly epitomize our motto of Service Above Self. For more information about Water to Thrive, go to: <https://watertothrive.org/>

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

Greeter: Jim Clements
Prayer & Pledge: Wayne Thompson
Sunshine Basket: Kent Miller
50/50 Ticket Sales: Fred Morgan
Setup: Jim Clements

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

Next Week: District Governor Visit – Melinda Osburn

Sep 4 First Friday Committee Meetings

Sep 11 Tim Buckley, “Signing Cards for Soldiers”

August Birthdays

01: David Lott 19: Dee Haddock
16: Terral Smith 25: Tony Thompson
18: Josh Little



August Club Anniversaries

01: Chuck Space (25), Bill Farrell (19), Gene Holiman (19), John Knifton (7)
10: David King (30)
16: Lee Easter (35), Bill Estes (35), Henry Mayes (35), John Voss (35), Bob Watson (35), Linden Welsch (35) – **CHARTER MEMBERS!**
28: Don Shindler (6)

WEBSITES TO KNOW:

Club Website: <http://www.nwaustinrotary.club>

Club Facebook Page: <http://www.facebook.com/nwaustinrotary>

Club Fruit Sale Website: rotaryfruit.org

District 5870: <http://www.rotarydistrict5870.org/>

Rotary International: <http://www.rotary.org/>

MAKE-UP MEETING LOCATIONS: due to clubs frequently changing their 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

AT OUR LAST MEETING

Lenna Barr, District 5870 Membership Chair

Rotary has had the Four Way Test since it was copyrighted in 1954. This year we now have a Five Way test. Know what the fifth test is? Lenna Barr provided a significant hint when visited our club last week. Lenna is the District 5870 Membership Chair. She updated us on Rotary and District membership goals and made recommendations of how we can build our club's membership. During her time in Rotary she has served as President (2011-12), EAFK coordinator, RYLA coordinator, Secretary, and Treasurer of her club. For more information about Lenna, go to: <http://kidztherapeze.com/staff/lenna-barr>

Greeter: Charles Harrison
Prayer & Pledge: Don Shindler
Sunshine Basket: Bob Allen
50/50 Ticket Sales: Andy MacFarlane
Setup: Don Gonzenbach
Humorist Emeritus: Dave Roon

NOTE: Sunshine Basket proceeds are split each week between PolioPlus and TRF Annual Fund unless otherwise announced.

Member Attendance: 37 (of 85 active)
50:50 Pot Winner: Virginia Hart (\$25)

Rotary Minutes

- President Sarah Carriker presented hard-earned permanent badges to Jim Bieber and Roy Paqueno.
- Gene Holiman offered banners from Lewisburg, WV, and Charlottesville, VA, from his recent travels.
- Ken Dickensheets presented a PHF+2 award to Homer Goering.
- President Sarah gave \$2,500 donations on behalf of the club to Fred Morgan for RRISD and to Audrey Cochrane for Grid Earth.
- Lee Easter remind us to wear our college colors to the August 28 meeting to recognize the start of football season.

Visiting Rotarians

Chris Atkinson – Post, TX
Jason Williams

Other Visitors & Guests

Dave Baldiman (of Rick Hoffman)
Beatriz Zilveti (of Pat O'Farrell)

Club Member Make-ups

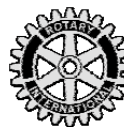
Nancy Lehmann-Carssow – Nairobi East (7/27), Muiamani (7/29) & Nairobi (7/30)

Gene Holiman – Charlottesville, VA (7/30) & Lewisburg, WV (8/3)

Jim Henry – Round Rock (8/13)

Jack & Audrey Cochrane – Navarro Co (8/10) & Lexington (8/11)

Andy MacFarlane – East Austin (8/3)



THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

“The easiest way to start a fire is to rub two opinions together.”

Cy the Cynic, Frank Stewart's Bridge Column



NEWS & EVENTS

UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS

Next Week Wear School Colors to honor Football Season
Sep 11 NWAR Board Meeting
Sep 18 **FRUIT SALE KICKOFF!**
Sep 19 Progressive Dinner
Dec 11 Bluebonnet Trails Christmas Breakfast Party
Dec 18 NWAR Holiday Party
Jan 21 Sox & Boxers Tournament
Feb 7 Super Bowl Tailgate Party
Apr 17 Lake Party, Mayes Estate
Jun 17 Club Installation Picnic

Upcoming District Events & Important Dates

Sep 11-12 31st Annual Bi-District Reunion, Marriott Courtyard, Harlingen
Feb 6 District Foundation Dinner, North Austin Marriott
Jun 23-26 District Conference, Horseshoe Bay Resort

Registration Open for District Events

Registration in open on the District website for our 31st Bi-District reunion Sept 11th & 12th, for the ALL-CLUBS LUNCHEON Sept. 18th, and for the Emerging leadership programs (if interested) for Sept. 16-20, 2015. These events will be take place very soon, so be sure and register TODAY!!!

Thank you, Melinda Osburn, District Governor 2015-2016

August is Membership Month!

Each August we celebrate Membership Month, an opportunity to thank our members for their commitment to Rotary. We begin 2015-16 celebrating strong membership growth of nearly 25,000 members this past year. The hard work and support of our members has led to successes such as the recent polio eradication milestones in Nigeria and on the entire African continent, both of which marked one year without a case of polio caused by the wild poliovirus.

Those achievements wouldn't have been possible without members' dedication and their continued support of Rotary and The Rotary Foundation. We hope you have an opportunity to participate in Membership Month promotions and activities, which are listed on Rotary's social media pages, in The Rotarian's August issue, and on Rotary.org. We encourage you to share these features with your clubs to help us show our appreciation to all members.

TIDBITS

The membership committee approved and our Board has accepted the membership application for Beatriz Zilveti, sponsored by Pat O'Farrell, with the classification Insurance. Please welcome Beatriz as she begins her Rotary journey.

This week's featured committee report is from the International Service Committee...

There is nothing new to report at this time. Efforts continue in getting other clubs to contribute to a Global Grant for Grid Earth.

AFRICA REACHES IMPORTANT POLIO MILESTONE

By Arnold R. Grah, Rotary News

Today marks a significant milestone for Africa in its effort to eradicate polio from the continent. A full year has passed since Africa's last reported case caused by the wild poliovirus. While Africa has achieved an important public health milestone, the job is not yet finished. To end polio forever, all countries – both endemic and non-endemic – must strengthen routine immunization, address gaps in disease surveillance and do more to reach children who are still being missed by vaccinators.

“We cannot wind down our efforts now. We need to continue immunizing until the last country is certified polio-free, and thereafter,” says Dr. Tunji Funsho, chair of Rotary's Nigeria PolioPlus Committee. “As long as the virus remains anywhere in the world, it is only a plane ride away.”

Rotary members have played a key role in the eradication effort. They have led the way in raising funds, advocating for government support, building awareness, and mobilizing volunteers on the ground. “The work of Rotary and the Global Polio Eradication Initiative has also cut through the clichéd narrative of Africa as the land of poverty, disease, and conflict,” says RI General Secretary John Hewko. “Real human development has been achieved despite the toughest obstacles and despite the opinion of many who thought we could not eradicate this disease in Africa.”

Strong continued support toward polio eradication in these final years of the campaign is the best way to ensure that today's milestone will indeed mark the last case of polio in Africa, says Michael McGovern, chair of Rotary's International PolioPlus Committee. “Rotary members have many opportunities to make a difference, including being part of history as we seek a polio-free world,” McGovern says.

Through 2018, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation is matching 2-to-1 every dollar that Rotary commits for polio, up to \$35 million a year.

PRESIDENTIAL THEME 2015-16: BE A GIFT TO THE WORLD



RI President K.R. Ravindran chose Be a Gift to the World as his theme for 2015-16. Ravindran urges Rotary members to give the gifts of time, talent, and knowledge to improve lives in communities across the globe. “Through Rotary, we can take these gifts and make a genuine difference in the lives of others and in our world.”