

## ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

Friday, September 2, 2011 – 7:00 A.M.

Meeting at Balcones Country Club

Call to Order – Tony Thompson, President

September is New Generations Month

# TODAY'S PROGRAM

#### Sandy Sansing, Member of WWII Greatest Generation

Virgal E. "Sandy" Sansing was born in Bay City Texas on December 7, 1921. He became a WWII fighter pilot and completed 50 1/2 mission. During the Cold War Sandy and was Squadron Commander of several squadrons flying the Republic F-84 Thunderjet, North American F-86 Sabre Jet and Lockheed F-104 Starfighter. Sandy served in the Air Force during the Korean and Viet Nam wars, flying 350 missions in Viet Nam as a Forward Air Controller. He retired as a Colonel from Bergstrom Air Force Base in 1973. Sandy was awarded numerous medals during his career in the Air Force including the Distinguished Flying Cross and Purple Heart. He also received the prestigious French Legion of Honor medal in 2007.

Introducing Sandy will be Jim Lux, also an Air Force veteran. Jim enlisted in the United States Air Force in September 1957 where he worked as a Bomb/Navigation Technician on the Boeing B-47 Stratojet in the Strategic Air Command's 22nd Bomb Wing. He went to work for Rocketdyne Division of North American Aviation in 1962 building and operating test equipment during the development phase of the Saturn rocket's massive F1 and J2 engines that would carry American astronauts to the moon. IBM hired him in 1963 as a Customer Engineer. That same year he joined the Commemorative Air Force, an organization that restores, flies and maintains mostly WWII aircraft.

# PLEASE RESPECTFULLY TURN CELL PHONES OFF OR TO VIBRATE DURING THE MEETING! THANK YOU!

Greeter: George Lewis

Prayer and Pledge: Tom Perkins Sunshine Basket: Diane Lyerly

50/50 Ticket Sales:

New Member Induction: George Kissinger – Printing (Dave Roon, Sponsor)

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

Next Week: - Family Day: "Sign Cards for Soldiers" & ClubRunner 101 Sep 16 2011 RYE Students: Natalie Kastberg – Peierre-Luc Vitoux

Sep 23 NWAR FRUIT SALE KICKOFF!!!

#### **SEPTEMBER Birthdays**

06:	Lee Easter	13:	Fred Morgan
07:	Ron Bolen	22:	Kent Miller
07:	Rebecca Whitehouse	27:	John Knifton
09:	Nancy Lehmann-Carssow	28:	Pat O'Farrell
11:	David Davis	30:	Charles Harrison

#### **SEPTEMBER Club Anniversaries**

01: Ray Roark (31), Damon Holditch 30), Ron Bolen (17)

04: Mark Dietz (13)

05: Diane Lyerly (3), Carla Young (3)

09: Wayne Thompson (6)

17: Mike Moser (1), Bob Roe (1)

24: Patrick McGuinness (1)



# AT OUR LAST MEETING

#### Tim Hunsberger - "Navy League of the U.S."

Last week, Timothy A. Hunsberger, CAPT USN (Ret.), who served our country in the United States Navy for 27 years, provided us with an introduction to the Navy League and a serious discussion of the importance of protecting our sea lanes and American Commerce. Hunsberger is a graduate of the Naval War College and former Commander of Training Squadron Twenty Seven in Corpus Christi.

Greeter: Jerry McCulley Prayer and Pledge: Bill Farrell Sunshine Basket: Diane Lyerly 50/50 Ticket Sales: Jim Henry Humorist Emeritus: Ray Roark

NOTE: Sunshine Basket proceeds are being donated to the NWAR 9-11 Remembrance Project until further notice.

Member Attendance: 59

50:50 Pot Winner: Michael Childers (\$22)

#### **Rotary Minutes**

- Oliver Smith announced that our sister club from Monterrey Obispado has agreed to co-fund a Green Project at Lanier H.S.
- Bill McLellan of Family Eldercare thanked the club for donating and installing air conditioners.
- TRF Chair Tracy Snider presented a PHF award to John Knifton.
- Kent Miller told us of two opportunites: the Bi-District Reunion with D4130 Sep 29-Oct 1 and Wheelchairs to Peru April 2012.

#### **Other Visitors & Guests**

George Kissinger (of Dave Roon) Sam White (of Jim White) Bill McLellan (of Tony Thompson)

#### **Visiting Rotarians**

Al Rolfsen (Cedar Park) Max Miller (Austin Downtown) Pat Byram (Georgetown)

#### Club Member Make-ups

Hanspeter Tobler – Pflugerville (8/23), District Membership (8/25) Pat O'Farrell – RYLA Meetings (8/16 & 8/20) Andy Macfarlane – East Austin (8/17) Jesus Chavez – Hutto (8/9) & Round Rock (8/18) Gene Holiman – Concordia Rotaract (8/23) Terrel Smith – Austin Downtown (8/23)

#### WEBSITES TO KNOW:

Club Website: http://www.nwaustinrotary.org Club Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/nwaustinrotary

District 5870: http://www.rotarydistrict5870.org/ Rotary International: http://www.rotary.org/

### **THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:**

"As youth lives in the future, so the adult lives in the past: No one rightly knows how to live in the present."



Franz Grillparzer

# **NEWS & EVENTS**

#### **UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS**

Sep 11 NWAR 911 Flag Project at Balcones CC
Sep 23 NWAR FRUIT SALE KICKOFF!!!
Oct 17-21 Fireside Meetings – NO REGULAR MEETING!

#### **Upcoming District Events**

Sep 9 GSE Team Member Application Deadline
Sep 15 Matching Grant Applications Due to the District
Sep 22 1:00 PM, RC of Georgetown Annual Golf Tournament
9/29-10/1 Bi-District Reunion with D4130. South Padre Island

<u>MAKE-UP MEETING LOCATIONS</u>: due to clubs occasionally changing their meeting times and places, it is best to go to the Rotary District 5870 website and click on the <u>When/Where Clubs Meet</u> link for a list of area club meetings.

Online Rotary Club makeup: www.rotaryeclubone.org

#### Next Regular Board Meeting

September 9 (after the regularly scheduled meeting)

#### Curtis DesMarais - Eagle Scout Project

Dear Rotary Club of Northwest Austin Members, I just wanted to drop you a note to follow up on my visit with you a few weeks ago. First of all, thank you so much for allowing me to speak with you about my Eagle Scout Project, musical instrument drive to benefit Music in the Schools. I wanted to remind you of the drop off event at Strait Music on September 24th from 9AM to 1PM, if you have any instruments to donate. If you can't make the event, you can give any donations to Mike Hanley at MetClub. Also, below is a link to my project website where you can get more information and make a monetary donation. Any help you can give would be greatly appreciated. Thanks and have a Great Day! Curtis DesMarais, Troop 271. Cell: 983-7860. Website: http://www.curtisdesmarais.com

#### Step into Africa!

Come walk in the steps of a child living in an AIDS-affected community in Africa. This interactive exhibit features a stirring audio tour combined with captivating photography that will transport you to the heart of Africa. You'll gain a completely new perspective on the greatest humanitarian crisis of our time. Go beyond the statistics. Experience one life. Can you survive the journey? The free interactive exhibit is open to the public, September 11-18, 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. (8:30 p.m., Monday and Thursday) at Bethany United Methodist Church, 10010 Anderson Mill Rd., Austin, 78750. Reservations are not required, but are recommended. Go to: http://bethany-umc.org/ and follow the links to Step into Africa. Parental discretion advised for children under 12. This experience is provided through World Vision.

#### 9-11 Remembrance Project Update

We are getting down to the wire on the 9-11 Remembrance Field of Flags Memorial. Volunteers are still needed for set up & break down of the event. Please see Carla or Diane.

We have a few items that we are going to offer for sale after the event. But first, we would like to offer these items to Northwest Austin Rotary Club members. We will have about 150 8' studs with holes drilled in them. If you want these at a greatly discounted rate see Homer. We also will be offering the flags themselves at 15 cents a piece. These are the flags that realtors typically put in yards for Memorial Day & July 4th. If you would like these flags, contact Diane. If we don't hear from members by September 9th, these flags will be offered to other people.

Finally, we have 143 2x4 8-foot studs which will have been used in the 9-11 Remembrance Project and will be available free to NWAR members. These are pine, with 8 small holes drilled into the boards. They will be available for pickup at dusk on Sep 11 or the following day. If interested contact Homer Goering for details, at home (335-6339) or cell (663-5397) or email: TXCRDNL@SBCGLOBAL.NET First come, first served!

#### **Golf Anyone?**

Bill von Rosenberg and Bob Roe are exploring the idea of a club golf outing at the end of September or early October. Anyone interested should contact Bill or Bob. Signup sheets are on the tables.

#### **Voluteer for Faith-in-Action Caregivers**

Here is a link to our online set up - easy to use, you just have to click on it and verify with your email address that you are a real person, no need to register or anything, just follow the instructions...there are times shifts for Sunday and Saturday/Sunday security, we can take any names from the paper sign up sheets and add them to this easily so we won't have any duplication, but if we could email this link to everyone, anyone not at the meeting or not sure of their schedule could sign up online, and we'll know right away where our gaps, or empty slots, are. It will also send reminders to everyone a day or two before, so it's cool.

http://www.volunteerspot.com/login/entry/3823456341053260127

Let me know if you have any questions - I can add anything to this that we need, more needs, items people need to bring, etc. Just holler if I need to make adjustments.

Carla Young, Executive Director, Faith in Action Caregivers--NW Ph: 512-250-5021. Website: www.faithinactioncaregivers.org

Is it too early? Nah...

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