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### **OFFICERS**

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**Program Committee David Davis** 

2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Sheila Allee-Kershaw Website Weekly Meeting Volunteers **Brigitte Benguet** 



Tim O'Brien (let) was inducted as our newest member at last week's meeting. Sponsor Greg Rabaey is applying the Rotary pin to his lapel. Please welcome Tim to the club when you see him! photo by Hanspeter Tobler



### Rotary's "4-Way Test":

- 1. Is it the TRUTH? 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
  - 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



### ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHWEST AUSTIN

Friday, September 9, 2016 – 7:00 A.M.

Meeting at Balcones Country Club

Call to Order – Kevin Lancaster, President

September is Membership Month

### TODAY'S PROGRAM

### Stephen Touchet, "First Lego League"

Today we learn about the First Lego League and, in particular, the program at Caraway Elementary. Stephen Touchet is a 20-year teaching veteran and 8-year Navy veteran. Stephen moved from nuclear powered engine rooms of the U.S.S. Enterprise to teaching elementary music and 5th grade math, science, social studies and language arts. He is in his 2nd year as the faculty sponsor for Caraway's First Lego League. FIRST® LEGO® League is a robotics program for 9 to 14 year olds, which is designed to get children excited about science and technology — and teach them valuable employment and life skills. For more info, go to: http://centraltxfirst.org/fll-program

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

Greeter: Gene Holiman Prayer & Pledge: Bob Allen Sunshine Basket: Mark Dietz 50/50 Ticket Sales: Danny Davila

Setup: Steven Wilson

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

Next Week: Ben Wear - "Transportation Issues in Austin"

Sep 23 Bryan Kirking – "Orthopedic Implants" Sep 30 Sarah Carriker - FRUIT SALE KICK-OFF!!!

### **SEPTEMBER Birthdays**

06: Lee Easter

07: Ron Bolen

09: Nancy Lehmann-Carssow

11: David Davis

13: Fred Morgan

22: Kent Miller

27: John Knifton, Jim Clements

30: Charles Harrison

### **SEPTEMBER Club Anniversaries**

01: Ray Roark (36), Damon Holditch 35), Ron Bolen (22)

02: George Kissinger (5)

03 Gail Buckley (6)

04: Mark Dietz (18)

05: Carla Young (8)

09: Wayne Thompson (11)

17: Mike Moser (6)

24: Patrick McGuinness (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/

### AT OUR LAST MEETING

### Ken Herman, "The Future of Newspapers"

At last week's meeting, Ken Herman, Metro Columnist for the Austin American-Statesman, led a lively discussion about "The Uncertain Future of Newspapers." A professional life in covering the news led Ken from Lufkin to Dallas to Harlingen and then to Austin where he became the Capitol Bureau Chief of AAS in 1995. The election of George W. Bush as President provided Ken an opportunity to spend six months in Washington, D.C. as Cox Newspapers White House correspondent in 2001. The re-election of "W" to President in 2005 provided Ken a second opportunity to be Cox papers' White House correspondent from 2005 to 2009. For more info, see: http://www.statesman.com/staff/ken-herman/

Greeter: Andy MacFarlane Prayer & Pledge: Kent Miller Sunshine Basket: Jim Henry 50/50 Ticket Sales: Homer Goering

Setup: Jim Clements Humorist Emeritus: none

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

Member Attendance: 46 (of 90 active) **50:50 Pot Winner:** Jim Clements (\$26)

### **Rotary Minutes**

 Jim Henry inducted Tim O'Brien as our newest member, sponsored by Greg Rabaey. Tim is a financial planner.

 Don Shindler and Beatriz Zilveti introduced a new member program.

### **Visiting Rotarians**

non

### **Other Visitors & Guests**

Salee & David Davis (of David Davis) Tim O'Brien (of Greg Rabaey) Paulino Canseco (of Oliver Smith)

#### **Club Member Make-ups**

Jim Henry – Cedar Park (8/23) Kent Miller – Marble Falls (9/6)

### AFTO!!!

# <u>MAKE-UP MEETING LOCATIONS</u>: due to clubs frequently changing their meeting times and places, go to the District 5870 website and click on the <u>When and Where Clubs Meet</u> link under the Clubs tab for a list of area club meeting places and times. \*\*Online Rotary Club makeup: www.rotaryeclubone.org\*\*

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

"I believe in living today. Not in yesterday, nor in tomorrow."

Loretta Young



### **NEWS & EVENTS**

### **UPCOMING NWAR EVENTS**

Sep 30 Fruit Sale Kickoff Oct 14 NWAR Board Meeting

Oct 21 Off-Site Meeting (to be announced)
Nov 17 Science Fair Judging @ Bullock Museum

Nov 25 NO MEETING – Thanksgiving!

Dec 9 Bluebonnet Trails Christmas Breakfast Party Dec NWAR Holiday Party

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Dec 23 NO MEETING – Christmas Weekend!

Dec 30 regular club meeting

### **Upcoming District Events & Important Dates**

Sep 16-18 Multi-District Reunion, McAllen, TX

Oct 22 Pints for Polio

Oct 27-30 Zone Institute Meeting, Salt Lake City, UT

Nov 12 Rotary Day at the United Nations Feb 4 District Foundation Dinner, Austin

Feb 4 District Foundation Dinner, Austin Capitol Sheraton May 18-21 Conference of Rotary Clubs, Corpus Christi Omni

Jun 10-14 RI Conference, Atlanta, GA

### Letter From The DG

To Rotarians of District 5870 Central Texas,

These two months of club visits have been so much fun!!!!! Sharon & I have visited 27 clubs – about 42% We appreciate the warm welcomes we have received so far. You Rotarians are fantastic!

It has been about a month since my dad passed away on July 30th. Keeping busy with Rotary and work has helped me not have to think about it too much. I still miss him, but I'm sure as time goes on it will get easier. Thank all of you for your thoughts and prayers. It has been very helpful.

Thanks to all of you for your contributions and support to the Rotary Foundation. If I am stating this correctly, we (5870) had the fastest start to any year with over \$75,000 contributed in July. If we keep this pace up, I don't see how we can't break records during this TRF centennial year.

Also, please don't forget to continue to post your pictures of your club activities and projects to your club Facebook pages as well as to the districts #1districtstrong.

Last, the feedback & interest for Sharon's literacy / education project to your local libraries has really started to take off. Remember, if your club supports her project with a minimum contribution of \$100, the Tocker Foundation will match up to \$1,000 to the public library in your local community. Pretty good deal!!

Looking forward to a FUN & exciting year!! Sharon & Bruce Golden, 5870 DG / 2016 - 17

This week's featured committee report is from the Club Service Committee and VP Kristin Stephens...

There is nothing to report this month.

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### **Volunteer Opportunity**

We have an opportunity to serve lunch at the House of Friends on Thursday, September 22nd. It would be great to have at least 6 volunteers to make this a community service day for Northwest Rotarians. Contact Tim Duffee, timduffee@yahoo.com, or Nancy Lehmann-Carssow, nlehmann@austin.rr.com, if interested.

### **September is Membership Month**

Membership in a Rotary club requires available business or professional classification opportunities as well as an invitation and sponsorship by a member of the club. Rotarians are business and professional leaders who take an active role in their communities while greatly enriching their personal and professional lives. If you know of a neighbor, friend or business associate that you think would make a good Rotarian, please invite them to one of our upcoming meetings.

### ShelterBox Responds to Italy Earthquake

In response to the magnitude 6.2 earthquake that devastated regions in central Italy, ShelterBox has deployed an emergency response team to the quake zone.

The ShelterBox Response Team (SRT) arrived in Italy soon after the disaster to assess the need for emergency shelter and is now working alongside our in-country affiliate (ShelterBox Italia), local Rotarians, the Fire Department, and the Italian Civil Protection Agency. Operations Coordinator Phil Duloy is leading the response team, with SRT Ed Owen, and Italian national Clio Gressani from ShelterBox's London office. The team will carry out assessments to determine the level of need, the options available and the most appropriate response from ShelterBox.

Among ShelterBox's range of aid are a variety of tents, tool kits and tarps for making shelters, as well as helpful items such as solar lights, which offer safety and security to displaced families in hours of darkness. If emergency or temporary shelter is needed for families made homeless by the disaster, ShelterBox has adequate supplies of tents and equipment standing by in the UK and at other sites across Europe.

Rotary International 100<sup>th</sup> Convention Atlanta, GA Register today at: www.rotaryconvention2017.org