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#### THE FOUR-WAY TEST

OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY OR DO

1. IS IT THE TRUTH?
2. IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERN?
3. WILL IT BUILD GOOD WILL  
AND BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. WILL IT BE BENEFICIAL TO  
ALL CONCERN?



**March 17 , 2017**

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Club Leadership Training  
formerly known as District  
Assembly

What is Club Leadership Training?? It is sort of like a My Job Workshop. You learn about the job you will have in your club. It may be President, Secretary, Treasurer, Foundation Chair, Membership Chair or Public Image Chair. Any of these jobs qualify for you to participate in Club Leadership Training. OR you can come just to see what any of these jobs are all about.

This is an important workshop to attend. You will have the opportunity to interact with other members of clubs who will be doing what you are going to do and ASK QUESTIONS!! It is one thing to read your job description. It is quite another to get to ask questions of someone who has done it before.

Even if you have done this job in the past, you will benefit greatly by being a mentor to someone else in the class and maybe increase your own knowledge as well.

We will be offering 2 sessions of Club Leadership Training this year. March 25 will be at the Winston School in San Antonio. April 8 will be in Brady, Texas. Register for either one on the District Website.  
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#### New book praises Rotary's role in fight to end polio

by Sallyann Price

A new book in the field of public health highlights Rotary's role in the global effort to wipe out polio, and places it in the context of humanity's relentless struggle to contain the world's epidemics.

In *The Health of Nations: The Campaign to End Polio and Eradicate Epidemic Diseases* (Oneworld Publications), British journalist and Sunday Times best-selling author Karen Bartlett surveys the global landscape of epidemics past, present, and future. Beginning with the 1980 eradication of smallpox, she guides us through more timely threats such as the Ebola and Zika viruses, and looks ahead to a future without malaria, measles, or polio.

"Who decided to rid the world of polio? Not politicians or global health organizations, as you might expect," she writes, in one of several chapters devoted to polio. "The starting gun was fired by Rotary International, a network of businessmen more used to enjoying convivial dinners, raising money for local good causes, and organizing floats to carry Santa Claus around suburban neighborhoods at Christmas."

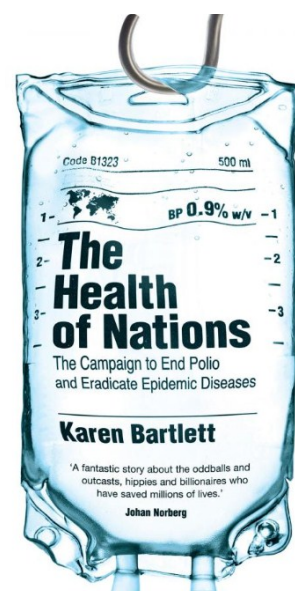
Bartlett offers a comprehensive, readable account of the polio-eradication campaign's history and Rotary's unlikely role as its chief advocate. From epidemiologist John Sever's early suggestion that Rotary adopt ending polio as an organizational mission to the first immunization drives in the Philippines and Central and South America, the world community doubted both the idea of a campaign targeting a single disease and Rotary's capacity as a volunteer organization to execute it.

The narrative traces Rotary's mission to reach all the world's children with Albert Sabin's polio vaccine, the formation of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI), and the struggle to interrupt transmission in the world's poorest communities, particularly in densely populated countries like India, which has not reported a new case since 2011.

"Polio eradication is a twentieth-century dream, conceived by idealists and driven by big international institutions and mass mobilizations of volunteers, working together to make a better world for all," Bartlett writes. "It must succeed or fail, however, in a twenty-first century marked by factionalism, religious intolerance, and rising inequality."

Aziz Memon, chair of Rotary's National PolioPlus Committee in Pakistan, is interviewed about the challenges facing his country, one of the few where polio remains endemic and conflict has slowed progress. Carol Pandak, director of PolioPlus at Rotary headquarters, weighs in on the contributions of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, in both funding and high-profile advocacy. Other prominent voices from Rotary's GPEI partners chime in throughout.

Based in London, Bartlett has previously worked in politics and written for Newsweek and Wired. She's produced documentary films and written nonfiction books, including a biography of musician Dusty Springfield and a collaboration with Anne Frank's stepsister Eva Schloss on Schloss' memoirs.





# Rotary



# District 5840 Conference

## May 4th - 7th, 2017



# Fredericksburg

### Save the Dates!

#### CONFERENCE & EVENTS:

**\$160 Registration** (4 Meals included) ~ \$190 after April 4th

Thur. May 4th- Golf Tournament 1:00pm \$60 (\$100 Hole Sponsors available!)

OR-Hill Country Back-Road Bicycle Tour \$25

OR-Road Rally Hill Country Tour \$30 (per 2 person team)

OR-Private Bus Wine Tour \$35

Fri. May 5th- Coffee with Breakouts & Lunch @ *Hangar Hotel* (7:30-2)

BBQ Dinner & Dance @ *Pioneer Pavilion* (7-11)

Sat. May 6th-Coffee with Business & Lunch @ *Hangar Hotel* (7:30-2)

Awards Banquet Dinner & Dance @ *Hangar Hotel* (7-11)

Sun. May 7th-Sunday Jazzy Worship



#### LODGING:

Discounted hotel rooms are on reserve until April 4th:

**Hangar Hotel** (Thurs: \$109; Fri. & Sat: \$149)

HangarHotel.com ~ 830-997-9990

**Inn on Barons Creek** (Thurs: \$99; Fri. & Sat: \$175)

InnOnBaronsCreek.com ~ 830-997-9202

**Fredericksburg Inn & Suites** (Thurs: \$109; Fri & Sat: \$169)

Fredericksburg-Inn.com ~ 830-997-0202

**Fairfield Inn & Suites** (Thurs & Fri: \$135; Sat: \$199)

Marriott.com/hotels/travel/ervfi-fairfield-inn-and-suites-fredericksburg  
830-955-8070

Local Rotarians also donating bedrooms on 1st come basis.

MORE DETAILS COMING SOON online at [www.Rotary5840.org](http://www.Rotary5840.org)



**ROTARY  
SERVING  
HUMANITY**

### District 5840 Conference-Building Peace - May 4-7, 2017

Every Rotarian and Spouse in District 5840 is invited to attend the District Conference this year in Fredericksburg, Texas. We have a wonderful time planned for you with a golf tournament to kick things off! If that is not your game then sign up for the wine tour, car rally, or bike ride. Our speakers this year hail from Australia-Rotarian Kay Danes; Colorado-Greg Podd, Maine - Past RI Director , PDG Elias Thomas.

We have 3 bands lined up for your entertainment. On Friday night, we will have a BBQ put on by all 3 Fredericksburg Clubs with beer and wine available. Saturday night will be the drawing for the Cruise by Royal Caribbean. A buyer and seller will enjoy a cruise where ever Royal Caribbean sails. Also on Saturday night, all Presidents Elect and their spouses will be announced and presented to the audience prior to dinner. On Sunday morning, we will have a Jazz memorial service for all our departed Rotarians.

To top everything off, \$1000 will be awarded to the club with the most percentage of members present during the conference, including the current President. **YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN SUNDAY MORNING!** This money can be used for any club project in the next year. We'll expect to hear how you used it!

We are asking that each club send 4 PowerPoint pictures with an explanation of projects you have worked on this year. The Club Presidents will receive an email with further instructions. Registration is now open. Call the hotels soon as they will fill up fast!!





**Dripping Springs Ranch Park**

**March 25 from 10 am until 7 pm**

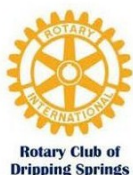
**March 26 from 10 am until 5 pm**

**Kid Friendly!**

**Parking Free 🌀 Two-day Admission \$5.00**

**Door Prizes**

**Putting Greens on Site – Putt Off for Prizes**



**HARVEST  
RAIN**

hill country view



Rotary Club of Dripping Springs Foundation is a 501c3 organization. All proceeds from this fundraiser are given back to the Dripping Springs Community through our service projects. For more information, email [rotaryclubofdrippingsprings@gmail.com](mailto:rotaryclubofdrippingsprings@gmail.com) or visit <http://www.drippingspringsrotary.org/>

## Interactors volunteer at Children's Shelter Run and **MORE**

submitted by Mike Canales

Nine Interact members from the Winston School assisted with the Children's Shelter 5K Run on Saturday, March 4, 2017. The event took place at Woodlawn Lake. The Interact members helped set up for the event, placed signage around the route, passed out water, medals, and tacos, and they finished by helping tear down and load all the tents and other materials.

**Rotary District 5840 Youth Day 2017** will be held on Saturday, May 6th, 2017 at Lady Bird Municipal Park, 432 Lady Bird Drive, in Fredericksburg, TX 78624-8295. The event will take place from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Youth Day 2017 will include games, food, service project and an awards ceremony. For more information, please contact Mike Canales at [mcanales@winston-sa.org](mailto:mcanales@winston-sa.org) or (210) 615-6544.



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# MEMBERS MATTER



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## Why Rotary?

Rotary is a great organization. It is the largest service organization in the world. It has been in existence over 100 years. It has over 1.2 million members in the world and over 35,000 clubs. It is a non-profit, non-denominational, non-governmental organization with a goal of world peace. Rotary's Polio Plus program has nearly eradicated Polio in the world. Rotary helped start the United Nations. The World Health Organization uses the Polio Plus vaccination model to tackle other diseases in the world. Right here in South Central Texas, in 44 counties, the 58 Rotary clubs in District 5840 contributed over \$6 million in money, goods, and volunteer services to their communities, including over 700 scholarships to deserving students.

Why wouldn't anyone with a concern about the world and their community join a Rotary Club? Here's some other reasons we should consider telling member prospects. Rotary provides access to information about and a platform for service to communities. Interesting programs about what's going on in the community, service projects that help people, and donations to key agencies providing needed services to people are all available in Rotary. Rotary clubs provide a way of meeting community leaders and being involved in giving back to help others. Rotary clubs have social functions and fundraising activities that involve family and friends.

Aspiring leaders in a new career can have an opportunity to lead friends in Rotary in some aspect of operating a Rotary club such as accounting and finance, sales, fundraising, planning, and reporting. These opportunities enhance personal and professional development, working alongside experienced Rotarians with a track record of career success. Learning and following the Four Way Test provides a good foundation in ethics. And exposure to Rotarians as mentors, throughout the community and wherever you travel, providing contacts and friends in many professions and organizations that can become invaluable over a lifetime. Rotary was probably one of the first business networking organizations ever. But unlike most, where people pass out business cards, hoping it results in an immediate benefit, membership in Rotary is based on service. Working together, relationships are formed that can last a lifetime.

Don't be afraid to tell anyone about Rotary and what it means to you. Think about why you joined Rotary and why you continue to work with such a great organization that supports many causes bigger than any one person or community. Rotary makes a difference and has for over 100 years.



## The Seguin Sunrise Rotary Club Is Proud To Present The **5<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL** **SEGUIN SUNRISE ROTARY BIKE TOUR**



**Saturday April 8, 2017**

Texas Lutheran University near Ed Kruse Stadium  
Fritz St. Seguin, TX

Register online at [WWW.AthleteGuild.Com](http://WWW.AthleteGuild.Com) by March 15, 2017

**Entry Fee is \$15 Prior to March 15<sup>th</sup> / Entry Fee Will Be \$20 After March 15th**

**Veterans Ride FREE**

**Event Day Check-In is at 7:00 AM Start Time is at 8:00AM**

**We Invite Companies and Organizations to Help Sponsor This Event!!**

### Sponsorship Levels

**GOLD - \$1,000.00**

**SILVER - \$500.00**

**BRONZE - \$250.00**

**All proceeds from this event will provide funding for Seguin Sunrise Rotary Club's  
Scholarship Programs benefiting Seguin and Navarro High School students.**

Contact Linda Riley (830) 379-0927 or Ed Mantooth (830) 305-6199 for registration and/or sponsorships.

## San Antonio Northwest Rotary Club participates at Science Night

Members of the San Antonio Northwest Rotary Club recently took part in the Colonial Hills Elementary School Science Night.

