## ROTARY REMINDER

Club 63, District 5870





#### Club Meetings/Speakers

April 28, 2025 Strategic Planning Committee featuring Cindy Brummer

April 29, 2025 Scholarship Awards

May 06, 2025 G. Harris - Rotary Means Business-Fellowships: NEW Networking Grp. for Rotarians

May 13, 2025 Garry Merritt, CEO-Great Springs Project www.GreatSpringsProject.org

May 20, 2025 Jeremy Brimhall, EdCE Director - Austin Symphony Orchestra

### Other Meetings/Events

April 28th
Virtual Leadership
Meeting to discuss
Strategic Plan

May 2nd
Early Act First Knight
(EAFK) - Hart Elementary

May 7th
Early Act First Knight
(EAFK) - Wayside REAL
Learning Academy

May 8th

<u>Early Act First Knight</u>
(<u>EAFK) - Harris</u>

Elementary May 9th

Early Act First Knight (EAFK) - Pecan Springs Elementary

May 13th May-VP/Officer Meeting

May 14th

<u>Downtown Breakfast</u>

<u>Cluster</u>

May 20th
RCA Board of Directors
Meeting

#### Club Officers

**Darrick Wayne Eugene** President

Cynthia Brummer President-Elect

Harold F. Ingersoll Jr. Club Foundation (ARCF)

#### Scholarship Awards Luncheon - April 29, 2025



Our weekly club meeting on Tuesday, 4/29, will be a special presentation of our RCA Scholarship award recipients. These high school students, with diverse and talented backgrounds, went through a rigorous application process, and we are proud of each of them. In addition, we will award a scholarship for a college-level Nursing Student. The Rotary Club of Austin is thrilled to support their future academic and vocational success via our scholarship program.

We hope you can join us as we present the finalists with their scholarships at Ben Hur at 7811 Rockwood Lane on Tuesday, April 29th.

With a larger than usual anticipated headcount, and considering we will also offer **an optional hot lunch** catered from The County Line, **we REQUIRE REGISTRATION** for the meal. No registration is needed if you do not plan to order the County Line meal.

IMPORTANT: Register ONLY if you want to eat from the County Line BBQ Buffet -- \$25/person We'll have complimentary iced tea, water, coffee and cookies available for everyone, like usual.

The County Line BBQ Buffet will include:

(OR, you can choose a Vegetarian Option: Grilled Veggie Kabobs & a Baked Potato)

BBQ Meats: Brisket (mixed), Sliced Turkey Breast, Sausage and/or Chicken

Sides: Beans, Coleslaw, Potato Salad and Bread ("regular" sliced bread, not homemade)

Relish/Condiments: BBQ Sauce, Pickles, Onions, Jalapeños, Honey Butter and "Regular" Butter

Please let us know if you plan to enjoy the lunch from The County Line at the Club Meeting on Tuesday, 4/29, by registering here.

- Lunch is optional, but if desired, please include your choice with your registration. Lunch will be \$25 and can be paid online via credit card
  in advance during your registration process, or you may opt to bring exact cash or a check to next week's meeting or on April 22. However,
  we can only accommodate PRE-ORDERS for lunch. All meal registrations need to be made by Friday, April 25.
- Please plan on arriving a bit earlier than usual for this event.
- This is a fantastic event to bring a potential member, include them in your registration.

04-22-25 Meeting Highlights

By Darrick Wayne Eugene

Bobby Jenkins, Chairman, Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority

During Tuesday's meeting, we accepted a new member and elevated another. Karen Quandt was announced as a new member of the Club and Fumi Maher received her blue badge recognizing her as a full member of the Club. We look forward to many years of service and fellowship from both.

Our speaker for the day was past club member and forever Rotarian Bobby Jenkins. Bobby wears many hats as owner of ABC Pest Control and Home Services and Founder of Recognize Good, but on Tuesday he spoke to us in his capacity as Chairman of the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority. According to Bobby, transportation planning should make space for multiple modes of getting people from "where they are to where they want to go." The mobility mix should include bike lanes, toll roads, buses and high-speed rail. He believes in all of the above approach to transportation infrastructure.

Furthermore, Bobby made the point that the CTRMA does not convert existing roads to toll roads. All CTRMA toll roads are created alongside existing roadways and thoroughfares and therefore, citizens always have a non-toll option. Bobby made sure to highlight that the CTRMA does not have a toll tag and that the CTRMA is "Tagnostic" accepting multiple forms of payment and toll tags. He presented various maps and project outlines from north to south and east to west giving us a glimpse into the future.

Bobby encouraged us to get involved with how transportation is delivered in central Texas.

#### President-Nominee Sylvia Holmes iPast President

Chair

**Charles Holleman** Club Treasurer

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**Birthdays** 

#### Club Meeting Details: Join us in-person or on Zoom!

This week's meeting will be held in-person at Ben Hur Shrine Temple (7811 Rockwood Lane, Austin, Texas) and also live-streamed on Zoom!! Note: A link to last week's Zoom meeting recording is included below.

For those of you who can't join us in-person, you're invited to LIVE-STREAM our Weekly Lunch Program!

When: Every Tuesday (almost) Noon to 1 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

\*\*\*For our Zoom guests, please clear your caches and bookmarked Zoom meeting links and check your time zone settings.\*\*\*

May 2nd William J Martin May 6th Jill Johnson May 7th Peter R. Meeker May 11th Harvey L. Ford III May 15th Blake Seydel May 16th Oliver W Borg May 16th Ann Marie Ellis PhD May 18th William (Mart) Martin Hoffman III May 19th

#### QuickLink:

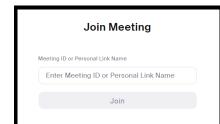
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IMPORTANT STEPS TO CONNECT TO OUR WEEKLY MEETING, USING THE FOLLOWING MEETING ID & PASSWORD TO LOGIN:

When the Rotary year begins on July 1st, we have a new meeting link. You should always be able to connect by typing in the Meeting ID and password as shown here.

- 1) Go to zoom.us/join
- 2) Enter the meeting ID in this box and passcode if prompted (Meeting ID: **856 9037 8301** Passcode: **361851)**

**IMPORTANT:** We'll have complimentary cookies, coffee, tea or water available at the meeting. If you'd like a full meal, however, please bring your own lunch with you, or you can order from Jack Allen's Kitchen on Anderson Lane and have it delivered. Click **HERE** for instructions on ordering.



Did you miss last week's meeting or want to view the presentation? Here is the Zoom recording of <u>Bobby Jenkins - Chair, CTRMA (Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority)</u>

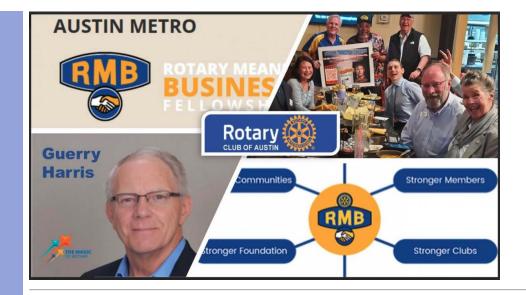
#### **Operation Vacation Serves our Heroes**



**SSG James Brewer** and his military family were hosted at the Doubletree Hilton North for Operation Vacation on Easter weekend. The weather was great; the kids got to sight-see all over Austin and fed the turtles and fish at the County Line on Lake Saturday night as they were hosted for "All You Can Eat" barbecue by the County Line. The family got to enjoy some fast food gift cards, goody backpacks and passes to Dave and Busters. Operation Vacation is a joint project of the Rotary Club of Austin and Killeen with community sponsors Killeen Toyota, County Line Restaurants and the Hospitality Industry hotels to thank soldiers and their families for their service. Thanks Rotary!

Next Week's Speaker/Program Preview - Guerry Harris

By Matthew Dargis on Sunday, April 27, 2025



#### **NEW Member Incentive Plan & 2025-2026 Rotary Member Dues**

During our April 1st lunch meeting, at the request of the RCA Board of Directors, Past President Mary Bird Bowman gave a detailed explanation of our upcoming 2025-2026 Rotary Member Dues and also introduced an *EXCITING NEW Membership Incentive Plan* that provides members with an easy way to earn back a refund of almost 100% of them!

## NEW MEMBER RECRUITMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM



- Beginning NOW until June 30, 2026
- Bring in 2 new members Get a rebate of ½ of your 2025-2026 local dues -
- Local dues are \$698.50
  - · Rebate is \$349.25 for 2 members
  - \$698.50 for 4 new members

If you'd like to learn more, just click the "Read More" link below... Read More

#### RCA Sounding Board – Chat with President-Elect Cindy!



Have thoughts, ideas, or questions about our club? I'm here to listen! Whether you have suggestions for the future of RCA or just want to connect, I'd love to hear from you.  $\underline{\text{Read More}}$ 

#### Meet and Greet w/ President Elect Cindy

Who is the incoming president of the Rotary Club of Austin? Now's your chance to get to know President Elect Cindy Brummer and find out more about her vision and plans for the new year. These informal, small group, in-person sessions are hosted on various Wednesday and Thursday evenings from April 1-June 7 and are intended for groups of up to 10. Read More



#### DISTRICT 5870 WOULD LIKE TO HELP YOU EARN A PAUL HARRIS FELLOWSHIP!

# MEMORIAL PHF MATCH IN HONOR OF PDG JIM ROBINSON

LIMITED TIME—MARCH 1 - APRIL 30, 2025

Are you a Rotarian in District 5870? Are you a PHF +7 or less?

If you answered "yes" to both questions then, GOOD NEWS, you're eligible and BETTER NEWS, the rules are as simple as 1 ... 2 ... 3!

1) Notify Rich Kaye that you want to participate (<u>NOTE</u>: Must be done before Step #2 so the match points can be "earmarked" for you)



- 2) Between 3/1/25 4/30/25, make a single \$250 \$500 donation to Rotary International/The Rotary Foundation—Annual Fund-SHARE (NOTE: Only donations designated to this account will apply)
- 3) As soon as your contribution posts, an equivalent match will be made on your behalf (<u>NOTE</u>: Match is limited to one per donor and is made using TRF points)

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Please contact **Past President Gaines Bagby** if you have any questions or would like to take advantage of this generous LIMITED TIME offer!

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#### **ROTARY CARES HOW YOU'RE DOING!!!**

#### **HOW ARE THINGS IN YOUR LIFE?!?**

Is there anything that your Rotary Club of Austin "family" can support you with (i.e. family changes, death of a loved one, illness or other health concerns, lost a job, other professional needs, etc.) or do you know of another Rotarian who may need help?

Click here to let us know (or you can send an e-mail to office @rotary-austin.org)



#### **ROTARY CARES**

Ordering Your Tuesday Lunch For Delivery From Jack Allen's Kitchen



If you're planning to attend one of our regularly scheduled Tuesday Rotary meetings and would like to enjoy a meal, you can pre-order one from Jack Allen's Kitchen on Anderson Lane and have it delivered directly to Ben Hur! Or, if you're not hungry, you can skip lunch and grab a complimentary cookie and/or coffee, tea or water instead.

It's easy, and you can order from your PC or even your smartphone! If you've ordered before and remember what to enter for delivery, just click the Jack Allen's Kitchen icon (or go to www.jackallenskitchen.com).

IMPORTANT NOTE: Lunch orders are only accepted on Tuesday mornings for same-day delivery and must be placed no later than 10:30 am!

If you've never ordered before, or if you've forgotten how, here are the instructions (including HOW and WHAT to specify that your order is for delivery) --> Steps to Order Rotary Lunch

All meals will be "made-to-order" from Jack Allen's Kitchen on Anderson Lane (across the street from Ben Hur) and will be delivered by them, too. Each will be individually packaged and labeled with your name.

One Austin icon serving another Austin icon...Don't you just love this town?!?

#### **Club Meeting Place and Time**

Austin Meets at Ben Hur Shrine Temple 7811 Rockwood Lane Austin, TX 78757 Time: Tuesday at 12:00 PM

RCA Vision Statement: To build a diverse fellowship of Austin-area business and community leaders transforming lives throughout the world.