

ROTARY REMINDER

Club 63, District 5870

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Club of Austin



Rotary Meeting Speaker - Guerry Harris

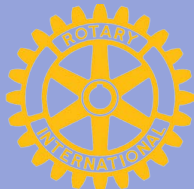
By Matthew Dargis on Sunday, May 4, 2025



Guerry Harris is a CFP® professional. He has over 30 years' experience in wealth management and served in the U.S. Navy. He earned a degree in Finance from the University of Central Florida and a certificate in Financial Planning from Northwestern University. He is registered as an investment advisor and a member of the Financial Planning Association (FPA).

Guerry joined the Rotary Club of Northwest Austin in April 2022 and is the current President-elect of his club and the founding member and current President of the Rotary Means Business – Austin Metro Chapter.

He has been married to his wife Michelle for 25 years, and they have two adult daughters, and a Great Pyrenees/Lab mix rescue dog named Phoebe.



Club Meetings/Speakers

May 05, 2025

Cindy Brummer, President-Elect
Review, discuss and adopt Strategic Plan

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

May 27, 2025

Austin City Manager TC Broadnax

June 03, 2025

Bob Farley, VP of Economic Development - Opportunity Austin

Other Meetings/Events

May 5th

Virtual Board Meeting - Strategic Plan Discussion

May 7th

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

May 8th

Early Act First Knight (EAFK) - Harris Elementary

May 9th

Early Act First Knight (EAFK) - Pecan Springs Elementary

May 13th

May-VP/Officer Meeting

May 14th

Downtown Breakfast Cluster

May 20th

RCA Board of Directors Meeting

May 27th

ARCF Board of Trustees Meeting (QUARTERLY)

May 29th

North Breakfast Cluster

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Birthdays

William J Martin
May 6th

Jill Johnson
May 7th

Peter R. Meeker
May 11th

Harvey L. Ford III
May 15th

Oliver W Borg
May 16th

Blake Seydel
May 16th

Ann Marie Ellis PhD
May 18th

William (Mart) Martin
Hoffman III

Scholarship Awards Recognition

At our Scholarship Awards meeting on April 29, we recognized 16 students and awarded a total of \$87,850 for the students to continue their education. We enjoyed hearing about their tremendous work so far and look forward to hearing about their continuing successes.

Click **READ MORE** (below) for a list of the students, their high schools and the donor funds that provided the funds. Many of the funds were combined to allow us to award significant amounts to the students. Awards ranged from \$3,000 to \$8,850, depending on the strength of each application and the donors' restrictions for the awards.

Congratulations to all the students and to the Scholarship Committee, especially Chair, Teresa Taylor!



[Read More](#)

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.*****

QuickLink:

<https://rotary-austin-org.zoom.us/j/85690378301?pwd=bXMxcDBqK1drNmNqZW1ZV3JlZ2FFdz09>

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 [RCA's Annual Scholarship Awards Program](#)

Join Meeting

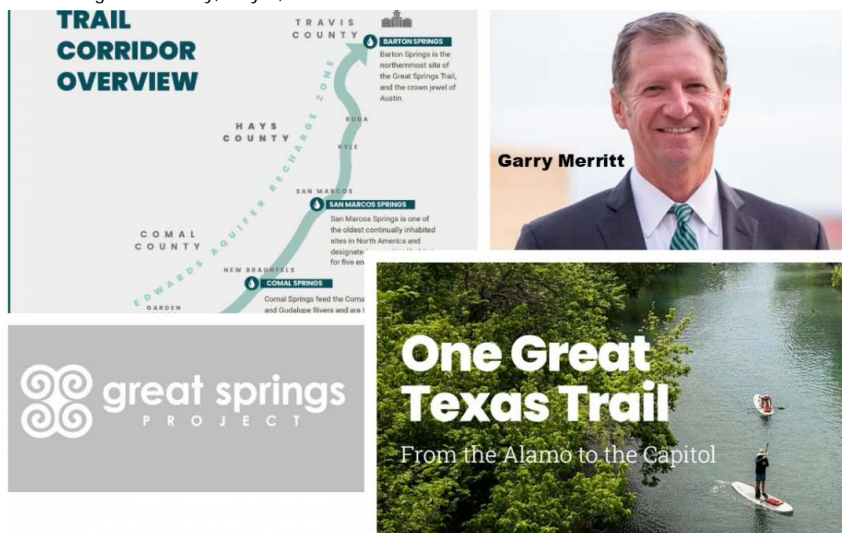
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Join

Next Week's Speaker/Program Preview - Garry Merritt

By Matthew Dargis on Sunday, May 4, 2025



Hart EAFK Knighting Ceremony



At the Hart EAFK knighting ceremony, we honored our Rotary sponsors with the Order of the Black Prince for their dedication to EAFK, our students, and the school staff. We appreciate them coming to cheer on our student honorees and their parents. The Rotary clubs represented were Frank from NXNE Rotary, Teresa from the Rotary Club of Austin and Andy from the NW Rotary, along with Lady Amber and Principal Larry Perez

Pecan Springs Books for Me



Pecan Springs Books for Me is sponsored by the Rotary Clubs of Austin and University. The students get two books to take home and read during the summer break. Thanks, Rotary, for supporting literacy.

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. [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](#)



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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

YES, THE RUMORS ARE TRUE...LUNCHES HAVE RETURNED TO THE ROTARY CLUB OF AUSTIN!



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.