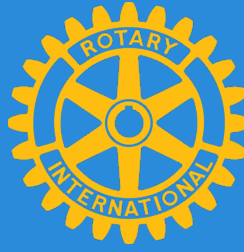


ROTARY REMINDER

Club 63, District 5870

Rotary
Club of Austin



Rotary Meeting Speaker - TC Broadnax, City Manager

By Matthew Dargis on Sunday, May 25, 2025



Club Meetings/Speakers

May 27, 2025
Austin City Manager TC Broadnax

June 03, 2025
Bob Farley, VP of Economic Development - Opportunity Austin

June 10, 2025
Dr. William Cunningham, Former UT President & UT System Chancellor

June 17, 2025
Changing of the Guard

June 24, 2025
Katy Zamesnik, Taylor Collective Solutions "Unconventional" Center (speaking about Downtown Austin's Convention Center demolition and reconstruction)

Other Meetings/Events

May 27th
ARCF Board of Trustees Meeting (QUARTERLY)

May 29th
North Breakfast Cluster

June 7th
HHH Back-to-School Splash Bash (Annual Event)

June 8th
Meet the President-Elect | Social hour hosted by Cindy Brummer

June 10th
June-VP/Officer Meeting

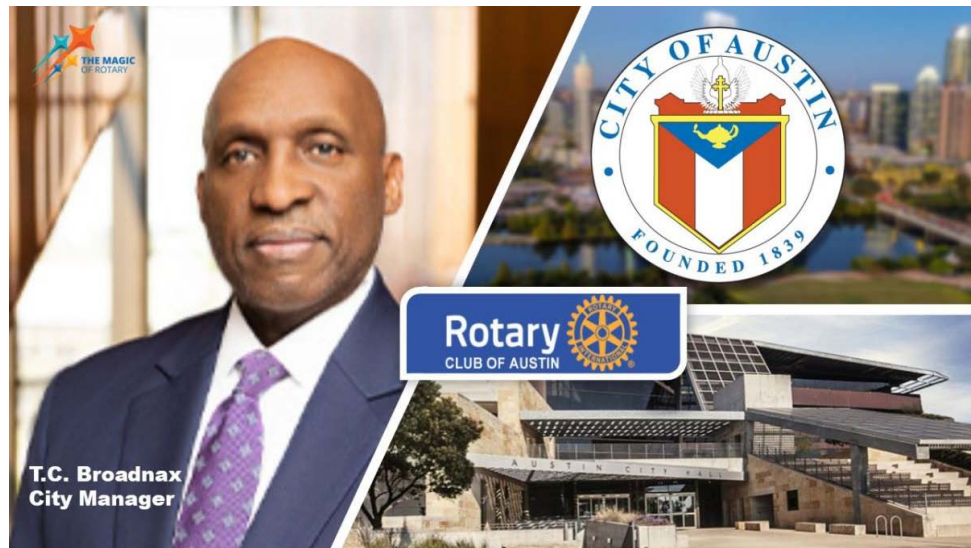
June 11th
Downtown Breakfast Cluster

June 17th
RCA Board of Directors Meeting

Club Officers

Darrick Wayne Eugene
President

Cynthia Brummer
President-Elect



City Manager T.C. Broadnax brings more than 30 years of municipal government management experience to the City of Austin and is recognized throughout the country for his significant achievements in tackling complex issues such as public safety, homelessness, financial management, economic development, and organizational leadership.

Broadnax began his tenure as Austin's City Manager on May 6, 2024. His prior experience includes serving as City Manager of Dallas from 2017-2024, City Manager of Tacoma, Washington from 2012-2017, and as an Assistant City Manager in both San Antonio and Pompano Beach, Florida.

Broadnax is an International City/County Management Association (ICMA) credentialed manager and brings an emphasis on five core values of service: Empathy, Ethics, Excellence, Engagement, and Equity. His approach to public sector management and community engagement is rooted in values of inclusion, and he has been instrumental in enhancing the quality of life for the residents of the cities he serves.

Broadnax earned his Bachelor's degrees in Political Science and Communications at Washburn University, in Topeka, Kansas, and a Master's degree in Public Administration from the University of North Texas.

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Birthdays

Flo Ann Randle
May 28th

Greg Cavitt
June 3rd

Amy M. Jackson
June 6th

Patricia Von Dohlen
June 11th

W. Gaines Bagby
June 12th

Josue Limon
June 22nd

Cynthia Brummer
June 23rd

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.*

Join Meeting

Meeting ID or Personal Link Name

Enter Meeting ID or Personal Link Name

Join

Did you miss last week's meeting or want to view the presentation? Here is the Zoom recording of [Jeremy Brimhall, Austin Symphony Orchestra](#)

Rotary Serving Weekly Update



The building crew from the Rotary Club of Austin built this Tiny House at Community First Phase IV in half a day. They have given a treasured gift to one homeless person. They have given them a roof over their head, a neighborhood to live in and a connection to services they need from ML&F. Thank you to these dedicated Rotarians and their families. It was an incredible service community project, but the Rotarians also had quality social time during the build. Rotary- Service Above Self



Blue Badge Exchange



Prospective Member(s) 10-Day Notice(s)

Per the request of the Board of Directors, all prospective/transferring members will now be posted in the *Rotary Reminder* (newsletter) for an open review period by all members. We've received the following Proposed Member Application(s) for consideration:

Sofia Moreno (sponsored by Scott Rainey)
Matthew Peterson (sponsored by Scott Rainey)
Ryan Saunders (sponsored by Ronney Reynolds)

This is the final week to notify **Jennifer Olsen**, RCA's Executive Director, if you have anything you'd like to share about **Sofia, Matthew or Ryan**.

Here's a little about Sofia (from her member application): Sofia is a University of Texas graduate with a history of nonprofit service. She serves as the Member and Donor Relation Manager for the LBJ Foundation, working on strengthening community involvement and promoting the LBJ legacy through public programming aimed at addressing the issues of our times. She previously served as a Program and Association Partnership Coordinator for Strategic Association Management (SAM), where she provided comprehensive support to multiple nonprofits and associations.

Here's a little about Matthew (from his member application): My name is Matthew Peterson. I was born in North Carolina. My father

was in the military, so I grew up in various locations in the United States and overseas. I graduated from high school in Georgia and immediately joined the military myself. After four years on active duty, I was honorably discharged and enrolled in college at New Mexico State University where I earned degrees in Government and Philosophy. Upon graduation, I returned to the military and earned a commission. For the next 17 years, I received assignments to various locations throughout the United States and overseas until I retired in 2019. While on active duty, I earned a Master of Arts in Organizational Leadership from Gonzaga University, and a Master of Science in Political Science from Liberty University.

After leaving the military, my first job was as the director of a ranch northwest of Austin. Next, I taught high school at a charter school in Austin. Working as a cowboy and as a teacher were childhood interests of mine, and I was grateful for the chance to experience those professions, but I knew neither would be my second career.

In July of 2021 I accepted an opportunity to work on behalf of veterans and seniors when I was confirmed as the Commandant of the Iowa Veterans Home and the Interim Executive Director of the Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs. The Iowa Veterans Home is a continuing care retirement community. It is the fifth largest veterans home in the country and is home to over 400 residents. After a little more than a year there, I knew I wanted to return to Texas and that I had found my second career.

After returning to Texas in September of 2022, I found an opportunity as the executive director of a memory care community in Temple, Texas where I served until reporting to Brookdale North Austin in March of 2025.

Here's a little about Ryan (from his member application):

How long have you lived in Austin? 7 years (previous locations include: Greensboro, NC, New York, New York, Charleston, SC, Winston-Salem, NC)

I enjoy movies, art, studying cities and urban planning, biking, hiking, recently getting into sailing and wanted to try windsurfing (once I heal from my shoulder injury).

I have been in Austin, Texas for 7 years now and want to be more engaged and connected to the community. I have always been involved with supporting non-profits and serving as a mentor. I have been involved with YMBL and volunteering for Austin Sunshine Camps for 2 years now. I have also expanded my role civically in my neighborhood, which has opened up my exposure to new challenges that our city faces. After getting to know Ronney, and learning about some of the projects and focus areas of this Rotary Club, it feels like a good outlet to dedicate time and energy.

What will be your contributions to the Rotary Club of Austin? The existing projects that I feel most aligned with are: Early Act First Knight, Literacy, Camp Enterprise and any providing an opportunity to serve as a mentor, especially with regard to promoting career paths/opportunities.

I am from a rural area and would like to engage in providing opportunities for those populations. I am entrepreneurial and creative and have a viewpoint with regard to solving issues such as housing and affordability. So I will bring a new voice/project ideas to the group.

I am a very civically engaged individual. I have led citywide engagement efforts in both Greensboro, NC and here in Austin (i.e. advocacy for pedestrian improvements such as a crosswalk at Lynn St and E Cesar Chavez St, new pickleball courts at Rosewood Park, alley revitalization and art projects in my neighborhood, etc.).

I also serve on the ECC Neighborhood contact team as a board member. In the past, I have worked on citywide initiatives involving public transit and public art, organized large fundraisers (one example is creating a HORSE basketball tournament fundraiser for an adult literacy organization in North Carolina called Reading Connections). I also served as a mentor at an entrepreneurship center in Greensboro, North Carolina for multiple years.

Most recently, I have been heavily involved in the Young Men's Business League (YMBL) serving two years on the organizational committee for the Austin Under 40 Awards, serving as the Sponsorship Chair for 2025. I am also the co-chair of the YMBL Speaker Series for 2025 and moderated our first event featuring renowned local architect and past AU40 winner, Juan Miro.

Congratulations to our Newly Elected ARCF Board of Trustees!!!

Please join us in **CONGRATULATING** Michael Abelson, Jack Nash and Andy Swanson as our newly elected members on the ARCF Board of Trustees (serving 3-year terms from 7/1/25-6/30/28)!

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLY ELECTED
MEMBERS OF OUR ARCF BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Serving 3-year terms (7/1/25-6/30/28)



MICHAEL ABELSON



JACK NASH



ANDY SWANSON

**SPECIAL THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING
CANDIDATES FOR ALSO AGREEING TO RUN:**

**MARK JOHNSON
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DON'T FORGET -- We have a NEW Member Incentive Plan for 2025-2026!!!

DON'T FORGET ABOUT OUR EXCITING NEW Membership Incentive Plan that provides you with an easy way to earn back a refund of almost 100% of your 2025-2026 RCA Member Dues!

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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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.