



San Antonio Northeast Rotary Club
Chartered May 19, 1987 - District 5840 - Club #24625
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July 28, 2026

Salsalito Cantina Mexican Restaurant
14535 Nacogdoches Road, San Antonio, TX 78247
Social at 5:30 p.m. - Meeting from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.



Rotary's Four Way Test of the things we think, say or do:

1.) Is it the TRUTH? 2.) Is it FAIR to all concerned? 3.) Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS? 4.) Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Our speaker this evening is Gretchen Peterson Dunlap. Gretchen has been part of Peterson Chiropractic since 2003. After briefly stepping away to build her own business, she returned in 2024 - driven by her passion for helping people transform their health through chiropractic care. She currently serves as the Director of Community Outreach and Education. When she's not serving patients or educating the community, Gretchen enjoys spending time at her ranch with her husband, Mitch, and their goats, chickens, and dogs.



UPCOMING PROGRAMS

August 4th Club Assembly
August 11th To be announced
August 18th Brian Purcell,
The Texas Highway Man
August 25th Susannah Zani,
Luxury African Safaris

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Debbie Degollado is celebrating her 11th Rotary Anniversary with our club today.
Honorary Rotarian Chelsea is also celebrating her 11th Rotary Anniversary today.
Trina Forcey will be celebrating her 3rd Rotary Anniversary on August 1st.
Congratulations ladies.



At the start of tonight our Happy Bucks pot stands at \$35. That means if your ticket is drawn tonight and you pull the joker out of the deck, you will leave with at least \$17.50

Tribute and Thanks to Jerry Hardy

During the 2025-2026 Rotary year, we were fortunate to have Past District Governor Jerry Hardy serve as our District Vice Governor. Throughout the year, Jerry exemplified the spirit of Rotary's message to Unite for Good, bringing people together through service, leadership, and genuine friendship.

Behind every successful district is a leader who works tirelessly, often without recognition, to support clubs, encourage members, and assist the District Governor in carrying out Rotary's mission. Jerry did all of this and more. He has been a trusted advisor, a steady presence, and a source of wisdom whenever guidance was needed.

Jerry's commitment to *Service Above Self*, his passion for Rotary, and his willingness to help others have strengthened our district and inspired those around him. Whether mentoring club leaders, representing the district, or simply offering encouragement, he has consistently demonstrated what it means to be a Rotarian leader.

As we reflect on this past Rotary year, we are grateful for Jerry's dedication, his friendship, and the countless hours he devoted to helping our district succeed. His leadership helped us truly *Unite for Good*, creating stronger clubs, stronger relationships, and a stronger Rotary family.

Thank you, Jerry, for your service, your guidance, and your unwavering commitment to Rotary. Your impact has been significant, your contributions deeply appreciated, and your example will continue to inspire us for years to come.



KRISTI SHEPHERD
DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2029-2030

The District 5840 Nominating Committee and I are thrilled to announce the official selection of Kristi Shepherd of the Kerrville Rotary Club as District Governor for the 2029-2030 Rotary year!

Kristi's passion for service, leadership within Rotary, and demonstrated commitment to making a difference exemplify the spirit of "Service Above Self." We are confident she will lead with vision, heart, and integrity as she guides our District into a bright and impactful future.

Please join us in extending our warmest congratulations to Kristi on this well-deserved honor. We look forward to supporting her journey and continuing to strengthen Rotary together. Congratulations, Kristi!

A Little History of District 5840 in South Central Texas

Rotary International District 5840 lies deep in the heart of Texas, covering an area of 52,466 square miles encompassing 44 counties. There are nine Rotary districts in Texas, with District 5840 having a membership of 2,300.



Rotary first came to Texas in 1912 when clubs were chartered in San Antonio, Dallas and Houston. Rotarian Herbert J. Hayes organized the San Antonio Rotary Club, the 52nd Rotary club to be chartered, in June 1912 with 11 men. Today, the San Antonio club is one of the largest clubs in the world with a membership of more than 400. The Cuero Rotary Club was the second club formed in the District and was sponsored by the Victoria Rotary Club in District 5930. The Cuero Club's charter number 907 was issued May 1, 1921. The Beeville Rotary Club, the third club in the District, was sponsored jointly by the Victoria Rotary Club and the San Antonio club. Beeville holds charter number 955, issued on May 1, 1921.

Our District has furnished Rotary International with one of its most illustrious presidents, Harry H. Rogers of San Antonio, in 1926-1927. In 1924-1925 he served as a director of Rotary International and under his dynamic leadership in 1947-1948, he placed the Rotary Foundation on a sound footing.

Past District Governors Bernarr Plummer and W. Dain Higdon served Rotary International Zones 5 and 11 on important committees. PDG Marvin Tomme served on the RI Publications committee in 1985-1986 and as chairman during 1988-1989. PDG Gene Dietert served on the Zones 25 and 16 nominating committee in 1996.

PDG Jim Berg served as Chairman of the Host Organizing Committee for the 92nd Rotary International Convention held in San Antonio in June 2001. He also is the founder of RI's first District Donor Advised Fund (2002), and served on RI Convention Committee 2001, RYLA 2001 and 2005, Centennial Convention promotions Committee 2005, Foundation Zone Coordinator-Annual Fund 2005-08 and Major Gifts 2009. Jim was also the President's Representative to Trinidad & Tobago in 2008; RI Foundation Chairman's Ambassador for 2009 and International Assembly Training Leader 2009. PDG Berg was Leader District 5840's first NID to India in 2009.

RECAP FROM OUR LAST MEETING

We had great meeting last week. Our newest club member, Tony Hernandez, presented Club President Dan Hernandez a club trading banner from the Rotary Club of Green Hills when he recently visited Nashville, Tennessee. Jan King's raffle ticket was drawn last week, but unfortunately the King of Hearts does not win the money. Speaking of Jan, Past District Governor Kristen Salazar officially inducted Jan into the San Antonio Northeast Rotary Club last week. Jan has been a long time Rotarian and recently transferred to our club from the Rotary Club of San Antonio.

Kristen was our guest speaker last week. Being a REALTOR® with Coldwell Banker D'Ann Harper, REALTORS®, she gave a very informative presentation on Real Estate. It was a lot of great information. Thank you, Kristen. After her presentation, all those in



16th Annual Halloween Bowling Fundraiser

item for our auction. Finally, we are also looking for sponsors for our fundraiser. There are multiple levels of sponsorship. For forms and additional information, please check out the San Antonio Northeast Rotary Club's website at www.sanortheastrotary.com The forms are also shown below. Please contact Dan Clark at danclark@ibc.com or (210) 799-4474 if you have any questions.

Only 88 days until the San Antonio Northeast Rotary Club's 16th Annual Bowling and Silent Auction Fundraiser will take place on Saturday, October 24, 2026 at Astro SuperBowl starting at 12:00 noon. As in years past, funds raised from this event will go to awarding a scholarship to a graduating senior at James Madison High School, supporting the James Madison Interact Club's Food Pantry, and sending two students to Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA).

Cost is \$25 per bowler, consisting of 3 games or 3 hours, whichever comes first. In addition to bowlers, we are also looking for silent auction items. Club members are encouraged to reach out to local businesses and request an



16th Annual Halloween Bowling Fundraiser

Saturday, October 24, 2026 from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m. at Astro SuperBowl,

3203 Harry Wurzbach Rd. at Austin Highway

Funds raised from this event will go to

Awarding a scholarship to a graduating senior at James Madison High School

Supporting the James Madison Interact Club Food Pantry

Supporting other humanitarian causes that will help serve our community.

We are asking folks to come out in the finest HALLOWEEN costumes.

***** There will also be a Silent Auction *****

with items for bowlers and non-bowlers to bid on.

Cost is \$25 per bowler

Bowling will consist of 3 games or 3 hours, whichever comes first.

Shoe rental is included with the cost.

* Please try to arrive by 11:45 a.m. to get your shoes and your lane assignment *

For more information, please contact Dan Clark at danclark@ibc.com or (210) 799-4474



QR Code for Registration

Bowling Team Registration Form	
Team Name: _____	
Player 1 (Team Captain)	
Name _____	Phone _____
Address _____ e-mail address _____	
Player 2	
Name _____	Phone _____
Address _____ e-mail address _____	
Player 3	
Name _____	Phone _____
Address _____ e-mail address _____	
Player 4	
Name _____	Phone _____
Address _____ e-mail address _____	
Player 5	
Name _____	Phone _____
Address _____ e-mail address _____	

Don't know how to bowl? Not to worry. Just let us know by marking the box below and we can have the bumpers set up for you so that your ball stays on the lane and does not go into the gutter.

Will any players need use of a bumper? Yes ☐ No ☐



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SPONSORSHIP LEVELS
CORPORATE SPONSOR - \$500 2' X 3' SPONSOR BANNER WITH LOGO AND VERBIAGE - ONE (1) FREE TEAM ENTRY - SPECIAL PA ANNOUNCEMENT DURING FUNDRAISER - LOGO ON EVERY WEBSITE - RECOGNITION IN SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS
LANE SPONSOR - \$200 2' X 3' SPONSOR BANNER WITH LOGO AND VERBIAGE - LOGO ON EVERY WEBSITE - SPECIAL PA ANNOUNCEMENT DURING FUNDRAISER
IN-KIND / SILENT AUCTION SPONSOR SPECIAL PA ANNOUNCEMENT DURING FUNDRAISER



Scan the QR Code and enter the dollar amount of your sponsorship

When The Rotary Foundation becomes a lifeline

By John Laramore, Rotary Club of South Ocean, Nassau, The Bahamas

Over the years, Rotary has taught me many things. But one lesson continues to stand out: when we give to The Rotary Foundation, we are not just supporting an institution. We are creating the possibility for real, visible, life-saving change in our communities. I saw that truth clearly through our Rotary Club of South Ocean's project in Nassau, The Bahamas.

As my club's Foundation chair and as our district's incoming Paul Harris Society coordinator, I have become even more convinced that the Foundation is one of Rotary's greatest strengths. People often hear about grants in theory. They hear about giving, annual goals, and fundraising targets. But this project reminded me that the Foundation is not abstract. It's practical. It's local. And sometimes, it can mean the difference between life and death.



Nassau Rotary members install an automated external defibrillator at a popular cafe.

With a grant from the Foundation and additional support from our club and partners, we were able to install an automated external defibrillator at Acropolis Cafe, a busy public location where staff and patrons now have access to emergency equipment that could save a life in a critical moment. That matters.

Cardiac emergencies do not wait for perfect timing. They do not ask whether help is nearby. In those moments, preparedness matters. Access matters. Training matters. And that is exactly why this project touched me so deeply.

This was not simply about placing a machine on a wall. It was about extending Rotary's heart into the community. It was about saying that the people who gather, work, dine, and serve in that space matter enough for us to act. It was about using Foundation resources the way they were meant to be used: responsibly, strategically, and compassionately.

What made the project even more meaningful to me was seeing how many hands helped bring it to completion. Club leaders, members, partners, vendors, and the business owners all played a role. We also ensured the final setup was completed properly, including signage, installation details, and the next step of staff training. That is the Rotary I believe in, not just writing checks, but following through with excellence.

In my incoming district role, I will carry this lesson with me. The Paul Harris Society is not only about recognition for giving. It's about belief. It's about choosing, year after year, to invest in a Foundation that can turn generosity into measurable impact. Our project was an example of what that looks like. Rotary is at its best when service, stewardship, and compassion come together.

