



San Antonio Northeast Rotary Club
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**UNITE
FOR
GOOD**

August 5, 2025

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 Christine Sanchez, LVN, with Alamo Medical Solutions. Christine has 30 years nursing experience in all levels of healthcare. She is a 1995 graduate of the Baptist School of Professional Nursing. In addition to being a patient advocate, Christine is also an American Heart Association BLS Instructor, and a Presenter with Texas Continuing Education (CEU).



UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- August 12th** Andrea Jacobson, multidisciplinary visual artist
- August 19th** To be announced
- August 26th** Randy Coats, Crisis Leadership



Please note that District 5840 Governor Craig Hardy's official visit to the San Antonio Northeast Rotary has been rescheduled to Tuesday, September 2nd. All club members are encouraged to do their best to be in attendance.



Randy Coats has applied for membership in the San Antonio Northeast Rotary Club. Randy attended our meeting last week. Randy has not been a Rotarian before, but he has participated in RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) before. Randy's classification would be Leadership & Workplace Culture Coaching.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Honorary club member Mayra Rivero and her husband Antonio will be celebrating their wedding anniversary on August 9th. Congratulations, Mayra and Antonio.



At the start of tonight our Happy Bucks pot is up to \$501. That means if your ticket is drawn tonight and you pull the Joker out of the deck, you will leave with at least \$250.50.

District Governor Craig Hardy and the District 5840 Nominating Committee are thrilled to announce the official selection of Sarah Eckert of the Rotary Club of Fredericksburg Morning as District Governor for the 2028-2029 Rotary year!

Sarah's passion for service, leadership within Rotary, and 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 Sarah on this well-deserved honor. We look forward to supporting her journey and continuing to strengthen Rotary together.

Congratulations, Sarah!



August is recognized as Membership and New Club Development Month within Rotary International. This month is dedicated to focusing on growing Rotary's membership and establishing new clubs. It's a time for clubs to welcome new members, develop strategies for attracting prospective members, and celebrate the positive impact Rotary makes in communities.

Rotary District 5840 Flood Relief Update

Thank you for your incredible compassion and support as we respond to the catastrophic flooding in Kerrville and surrounding communities. As you know, the damage is widespread, and the recovery process will be a long and ongoing effort. Rotary's strength lies in our unity and ability to act—and we're already seeing clubs across the District rise to the occasion.

Meet Our Disaster Relief Coordinator

We are pleased to share that Kyle Emmons has been appointed as our Disaster Relief Coordinator. Kyle will serve as the central point of contact for tracking physical donations, coordinating resource distribution, and for questions regarding contributions and logistics. His leadership ensures we stay organized and effective as we respond, recover, and rebuild.

For questions or coordination, you can reach Kyle at: kyleemmons1@gmail.com

Help Us Track Club Disaster Relief Efforts

To ensure we capture the full impact of our collective response, we've created a Disaster Relief Reporting Form for clubs to use. Whether your club is collecting donations, assembling supplies, or helping with cleanup, we ask that you please submit your efforts here:

<https://form.jotform.com/251896056988074>

This helps us tell the full story of how Rotary is showing up for our communities.

Partnering with Disaster Aid USA

Rotary District 5840 is now partnering with Disaster Aid USA, a Rotary-led disaster response organization, to coordinate volunteer efforts on the ground. As conditions stabilize and needs are assessed, Disaster Aid USA will help guide safe and effective volunteer opportunities, such as:

- Debris removal and cleanup
- Distribution of food and supplies

<https://stability.org/join/DisasterAidUSA>

- Once you have created an account - search for the Rotary District 5840 team. Contact our Volunteer Coordinator is James Cox, Canyon Lake Rotary - jamescoxrotary@gmail.com on how to find volunteer opportunities for area.

How to Donate

As a reminder, our 501(c)(3) Foundation is accepting tax-deductible donations to directly support flood relief efforts:

Credit Card - <https://rotary5840.org/donate/district-5840-disaster-relief/>

Check - Payable to Rotary District 5840 Foundation, Memo: Disaster Relief

Mail to: Rotary District 5840 Foundation, P.O. Box 13, Boerne, TX 78006

Zelle Payment - Send to: D5840floodrelief2025@gmail.com

Let's continue to Unite for Good, serve with compassion, and show the strength of Rotary when it's needed most.

Craig Hardy
District Governor 2025-2026



Wrap up from last week

We had a good turnout at our July 29th meeting. DeDe Johnson did not pull the joker from our weekly raffle, so our weekly Happy Bucks pot continues to grow.

Our speaker last week was Josh Guerrero, a Marine Corps Veteran, Returned Peace Corps Volunteer, archaeologist, and adventurer. His passion for service and exploration led him to embark on a 1,200-mile thru-hike across the entire state of Michigan to raise funds for American Veterans Archaeological Recovery (AVAR). A nonprofit that helps veterans find healing through field archaeology. By the end of his journey, Josh raised over \$10,000 to support AVAR's global mission. Club President Trina Forcey presented Josh and Speaker's Certificate of Appreciation and a copy of the Rotary magazine after his very interesting and information presentation.



Rotary District 5840 Rotary Foundation Raffle Instructions



Each member will receive one book (10 tickets at \$10 each) to sell and raise funds for our Rotary Foundation Annual Fund.

Each member can send \$100 directly to Rotary Foundation Annual Fund or your Club Foundation Chair can collect money from members and use the Multiple Contribution form with one check to Rotary Foundation Annual Fund.

Winner receives a \$5000 voucher for a 7-night Western Caribbean Cruise on the MSC Seascapes from Galveston, TX to be taken anytime in 2026.



Seller of winning ticket receives \$500 in cash.



Club Foundation Chair to mail ticket stubs (no staples) and deposit sheet to the following address by **January 15, 2026**:
Monica Gutierrez
3606 Herron Ct. San Antonio, TX 78217



Raffle Drawing will be held at RLI on **January 31, 2026** at the Northwest Vista College campus in San Antonio, TX at 12PM.

Note: Raffle tickets per club were distributed at DG installation; contact your Assistant Governor if your club has not received them.



WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION

PROUD NATIONAL TEAM

Why We Walk: We are Rotarians, Rotaractors and Interactors that have extensive leadership experience around Alzheimer's including Alzheimer's education, patient care, prevention management, research for a cure and strategic partnership. We have chosen to band together as a Rotary Action Group to meld our passion and energies and direct them to supporting this wonderful effort. This is why we are proud to support the Alzheimer's Association's Walk to End Alzheimer's, the world's largest fundraising event for Alzheimer's Disease and related dementias. We share a vision of a world without Alzheimer's and we are inviting all Rotarians to walk with us in solidarity in more than 600 communities across the country. The funds raised will help fight Alzheimer's disease through vital research, advocacy efforts and essential support programs and services in your communities. Your team donations will play an important role in improving the lives of people living with Alzheimer's, their families, and caregivers.

Join San Antonio's Rotary Team Today!



Team Rotarians Unite For Good

ROTARY ROCKSTAR CHALLENGE 2025-26



We are excited to announce the roll-out of the 2025-2026 Public Image Rotary Rockstar Challenge - a 6-level journey to boost your Club's visibility and community engagement using Rotary's powerful tools and resources. This fun and engaging challenge is designed to help clubs use Rotary's powerful tools and resources to tell your story and build a stronger connection with your community.

Here's a quick look at the challenge levels:

- Level 1: Own the Brand - Create a white version of your Club Masterbrand logo using the Rotary Brand Center.
- Level 2: Learn the Basics - Take a short Public Image course on the Rotary Learning Center and submit your certificate.
- Level 3: Tell Your Story - Submit two stories for the District Newsletter and social media.
- Level 4: Celebrate New Members - Submit photos and names of all new Rotarians to be featured on District social media.
- Level 5: Show You're People of Action - Create a People of Action image using the Rotary Brand Center and share your story.
- Level 6: Promote Your Club to the Community - Write and submit a press release to share your impact with local media.

Visit the Rotary Rockstar Challenge webpage for tools, resources, and submission links to guide you through each level.

<https://www.rotary5840.org/sitepage/rotary-rockstar-challenge>



Some schools are back in session this week. Please be careful when driving through school zones. Reduced speed limits are in effect, and drivers should be alert for children walking, biking, and using school buses. Pay close attention to crosswalks and always yield the right-of-way to pedestrians.



15th Annual Halloween Bowling Fundraiser

Saturday, October 18th 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

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

In addition to looking for bowlers, we are also looking for sponsors. October 18th is only 74 days away.

