



**San Antonio Northeast Rotary Club**  
Chartered May 19, 1987 - District 5840 - Club #24625  
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Rotary  
Club of San Antonio  
Northeast



**UNITE  
FOR  
GOOD**



**August 19, 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?

## CLUB ASSEMBLY

Our meeting tonight will be a Club Assembly. A Club Assembly is a very important meeting for the club. This is where all club members are encouraged to participate including topics such as our upcoming major bowling fundraiser, membership, membership service projects, other fundraisers, public image, and upcoming speakers. Remember that this is YOUR club. Let your voice be heard. We need your input.

### UPCOMING PROGRAMS

**August 26th** Randy Coats,  
Crisis Leadership



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

### Birthdays & Anniversaries

Honorary club member Chelsea Torres will be celebrating her birthday on August 24th.



**At the start of tonight our Happy Bucks pot is up to \$553. That means if your ticket is drawn tonight and you pull the Joker out of the deck, you will leave with at least \$276.50.**

**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**

The Nor'easter is now being e-mailed out by Elizabeth Monsivais. Please make sure to save Elizabeth's e-mail address [ElizabethMonsivais@ibc.com](mailto:ElizabethMonsivais@ibc.com) to your contact list.

**Please note!**



### Larry A. Lunsford selected to be 2027-28 Rotary International president By Etelka Lehoczky

Larry A. Lunsford, a member of the Rotary Club of Kansas City-Plaza, Missouri, USA, is the selection of the nominating committee to become Rotary International's president for 2027-28. He will officially become the president-nominee on 15 September if no other candidates challenge him.

Lunsford attended Truman State University in Kirksville, Missouri, on an academic scholarship, earning bachelor's and master's degrees in accounting. He first encountered Rotary when he received a Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarship to spend the 1981-82 academic year at the University of Newcastle in Australia.

A certified public accountant, Lunsford spent seven years working for Ernst & Young before joining a family-owned business, Bernstein-Rein Advertising, in 1990. He is currently executive vice president and chief financial officer for the Bernstein group of companies. He has held positions on the boards of the Kansas City Spirit Festival and the Variety Club as well as serving as director of a local bank and treasurer of the Epilepsy Foundation for the Heart of America. He has also served on Truman State University's alumni and foundation boards and received the university's Distinguished Service Award.

Lunsford joined the Rotary Club of Kansas City-Plaza in 1991 and has since served as district governor (2001-02), RI director (2013-15), and trustee of The Rotary Foundation (2021-25, vice chair 2024-25). He has been a member of RI committees, including the Executive Committee (chair 2014-15), Membership Growth Committee (chair 2016-18), and Nominating Committee for President of RI (chair 2023-24). He also has served on The Rotary Foundation's Executive Committee (chair 2023-24), Finance Committee (chair 2022-23 and 2024-25), and Participant Experience Committee (chair 2023-24).

Lunsford has been awarded The Rotary Foundation Distinguished Service Award, The Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service, and the RI Service Above Self Award. He and his wife, Jill Lunsford, have two children and one grandchild. They are Major Donors, Bequest Society members, multiple Paul Harris Fellows, Benefactors of The Rotary Foundation, and Sustaining Members.



### Madison Interact Club

If school is back in session, that means that the Madison Interact Club is once again serving the community. As most of you know, the San Antonio Northeast Rotary Club is proud to sponsor the Madison Interact Club. Mrs. Janeen Downen is once again the sponsor for the Interact club. Not even two weeks into the new school year and the Madison Interact Club has already completed two service projects and have seven more lined up for the future. One of the projects was the Stuff the Bus project held in the parking lot of the H-E-B on Nacogdoches and O'Connor.



The Madison Interact Club's first meeting of the year will be held on Monday, August 25th at 4:30 p.m. on the campus of Madison High School in room D07. Meeting will be held every other Monday. Club members are encouraged to attend these meeting and show support for what these young adults are doing for our community.



Wrap up from last week

We were pleased to welcome Andrea Jacobson as our guest speaker on Tuesday, August 12th. Andrea is a multidisciplinary visual artist working in



painting, sculpture, and murals based in San Antonio. Andrea is also a member of the San Antonio Pearl Rotary Club. She gave us a presentation on her journey to be an artist. Andrea also brought several pieces of her artwork to show. Her ticket was drawn for our happy bucks' pot, but she did not pull the joker.

Andrea also very generously donated two of her works of art for our club's upcoming bowling and silent auction fundraiser in October. Trina and Becky Goering posed with the artwork for our fundraiser. After her very interesting presentation, Club President Trina Forcey presented Andrea a speaker's Certificate of Appreciation. Thank you very much Andrea.



District 5840 Delivers ATV for Flood Response



On Thursday morning, August 7, 2025, District Governor, Craig Hardy had the honor of presenting the keys to a brand-new Can-Am All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) to Jimmy Dreiss, Fire Chief of the Divide Volunteer Fire Department. This critical piece of equipment was purchased through a grant from our District 5840 Foundation and secured through the dedicated efforts of AG Kristi Shepherd and PDG Kristy Vandenberg, both of whom joined him for the presentation.

Chief Dreiss shared that the Divide VFD serves three counties, covering nearly 900 square miles, including Kerr County. On the morning of July 4, his team was called into action, courageously participating in search and rescue operations in the Hunt and Ingram areas of west Kerr County. The new ATV will greatly enhance their capabilities, allowing them to access rugged areas unreachable by larger vehicles.

This marks the first delivery in a broader initiative to assist those affected and those who answered the call to aid communities impacted by the recent Kerr County floods. The District 5840 Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization funded through generous donations, proudly supports such efforts. As we Rotarians Unite for Good with other organizations, we continue to exemplify our commitment to *Service Above Self*.



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

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

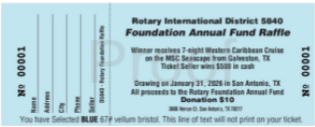
Supporting the James Madison Interact Club Food Pantry

Supporting other humanitarian causes that will help serve our community

In addition to looking for bowlers, we are also looking for sponsors. October 18th is only 60 days away.



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 Seascape 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.



Take your leadership skills to the next level with RLI -

Rotary Leadership Institute

There will be a Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) on Saturday, September 20th, 2025 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Northwest Vista College, 3535 N Ellison Dr, San Antonio, TX 78251. Classes will begin at 9:00 a.m. The institute is \$50 and is open to all Rotarians. Please use the following link to

register:

<https://www.crsadmin.com/eventportal/registrations/publicfill/eventpublicfill.aspx?evtid=120769ab-5739-4f12-8c29-2543bb253e89>

RLI is a very informative and fun day. You will enjoy a program that is well-planned and presented by district leaders. There is great inter-action amongst attendees and you will learn quite a bit about leadership qualities and the "nuts and bolts" of Rotary. This program will prove invaluable in preparing you or your fellow Rotarians for leadership positions within your club and district.

RLI seeks to provide quality education in Rotary knowledge and leadership skills to Rotarians interested in developing their Rotary participation and to those identified by Rotary Clubs as having a potential in club leadership. These educational opportunities will teach skills that will benefit the members in their lives and in their volunteer service.

For questions, contact Arden Riley, at [arden.riley@gmail.com](mailto:arden.riley@gmail.com).