



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



December 2, 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 meeting this evening will consist of wrapping presents for four children attending Schertz Elementary School. Our own Debbie Degollado has identified these children working with the school. Our Rotary club has allocated \$200 to purchase the major gift for each child. These presents include a bike, a weight bench, a kids Alexa, and a barbell. Today being Giving Tuesday, we are also encouraging club members to purchase additional gifts for the children to make their holidays a little more memorable. Please find below the specific wish list for each child below:



8-year old boy
Shirt size: 8-10
Shoe size: 3 youth

10-year old girl
Shirt size: 8-10
Shoe size: 3 youth

14-year old boy
Shirt size: M
Shoe size: 10 1/2

17-year old boy
Shirt size: M
Shoe size: 10 1/2

You can also donate funds to the purchase of presents if you like. Let's all remember that this is the season for giving. Hope to see everyone tomorrow night.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

December 9th **Monica Gutierrez,
Walking the Camino de Santiago**

December 16th **Christine Hill,
San Antonio Film Commission**

December 23rd **No meeting due to week of Christmas**

December 30th **No meeting due to week of New Year's**



Our Rotary club's Christmas party will be held on Saturday, December 13th starting at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Kelly and Danny Carron. The address is 15522 Triple Creek, San Antonio, TX 78247. This will be a Pot Luck party. As in years past, we will play our annual White Elephant Gift Exchange. If you wish to participate, please bring a gift worth approximately \$20.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Happy Birthday wishes going out to club Charter Member Bob Barron. Bob will be celebrating his birthday on December 3rd.



At the start of tonight our Happy Bucks pot is up to \$940. That means if your ticket is drawn tonight and you pull the Joker out of the deck, you will leave with at least \$470.

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.



**DID YOU
KNOW?**

Rotary first came to Texas in 1912 when clubs were chartered in San Antonio, Dallas and Houston. Rotarian Herbert J. Hayes organized the Rotary Club of San Antonio, the 52nd Rotary club to be chartered, in June 1912 with 11 men.



District Governor Craig Hardy's December Message

December is recognized in Rotary as Disease Prevention and Treatment Month, a time when we focus on one of the most critical areas of need in communities around the world. Rotary members understand that good health is the foundation for productive lives, thriving communities, and lasting peace. Yet millions of people still lack access to essential health care, clean water, trained medical professionals, or the knowledge needed to prevent illness.



Rotary has long been committed to addressing these challenges. Our most visible global effort is the fight to end polio. For more than three decades, Rotary has worked tirelessly with partners to reduce polio cases by more than 99 percent worldwide. This extraordinary progress shows what is possible when we unite with determination, resources, and compassion.

But our impact extends far beyond polio. Rotary clubs support maternal and child health initiatives, provide training and equipment for local clinics, sponsor medical missions, and expand access to clean water and sanitation—all vital components of preventing disease before it starts. Rotary also invests in education, ensuring that families understand nutrition, hygiene, and preventive care.

This month, we are encouraged to reflect on how we can contribute locally. Whether it is supporting a vaccination clinic, partnering with a health agency, promoting mental health awareness, or improving access to screenings and early detection, every club can make a difference. Rotary's strength lies in our ability to take action—both at home and around the globe.

As we honor Disease Prevention and Treatment Month, let us recommit ourselves to the work of saving lives, strengthening communities, and creating a world where every person has the opportunity to live a healthy and fulfilling life. Together, we can continue to Unite for Good and build a healthier future for all.

Snacks donated to Madison High School

Thanks to all the folks that donated snacks to Madison High School. Madison Interact Club school sponsor Janeen Downen shared with us a few photos of the items donated.



Rotary District 5840 has 31 active Interact clubs. The San Antonio Northeast Rotary Club has proudly sponsored the Madison Interact Club since it was chartered on March 2, 2016.

Interact
District 5840



Our speaker on November 18th was our own club member Becky Goering. She gave us a very interesting presentation about her trip to Korea and Japan. She even wore a shirt with Okinawa on the front and showed where her dad was stationed when he was in Korea. Club President Trina Forcey presented Becky with copies of the Rotary magazine that is printed in Korea and Japan. Great program Becky.



Also at our meeting on November 18th, we had the honor of awarding an Honorary Membership to the San Antonio Northeast Rotary Club to Anne DuBose. Anne is the wife of club member Preston McKinney. Anne attends most of our weekly meetings and has participated in club events for many years. Club President Trina awarded Anne her Certificate of Honorary Membership.



Contributions will support projects around the globe, including a robust recommitment to the fight to end polio

By Etelka Lehoczky



Donors to The Rotary Foundation celebrated some big achievements in fundraising in the past year, showing their support for the wide array of programs the organization sponsors all over the world.

A multiyear campaign to increase the Endowment to US\$2.025 billion by 2025 exceeded its goal by US\$25 million. In 2024-25 alone, members and others contributed more than half a billion dollars to the Foundation.

“The goal was an inspiration, but the objective was to do good in the world,” says Mark Daniel Maloney, the 2024-25 Rotary Foundation trustee chair. “We are making sure that Rotary will always be able to carry out that mission.”

The Foundation raised more than US\$569 million in 2024-25 alone, exceeding its annual goal by almost US\$70 million. More than 478,000 individuals donated, along with over 31,000 Rotary clubs and nearly 1,900 Rotaract clubs.

Thanks to its donors, the Foundation was able to award 1,424 global grants, 468 district grants, and 74 disaster response grants in the past year. A US\$2 million Programs of Scale grant will help build peace and economic independence in Colombia. Rotary International also extended its long-standing partnership with the Gates Foundation, announcing a joint commitment of up to US\$450 million over three years to support global polio eradication efforts.

“Rotary members demonstrated their commitment to these efforts with their support of the 2.025 by 2025 campaign,” Maloney says. In particular, he notes the large number of fundraising events around the world that Rotary’s district governors organized.

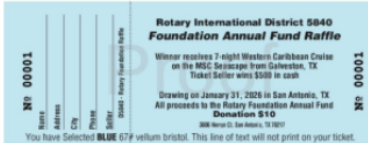
“I am just amazed at the generosity of Rotary members,” he says. “They came together to make it happen.”



Join us in Taipei, Taiwan, for the Rotary International Convention from June 13–17, 2026! This dynamic city is the perfect place to celebrate Rotary

with friends old and new. From inspiring sessions to unforgettable cultural experiences, you won’t want to miss it!

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 Seascaper 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.



Giving Tuesday, a global day of generosity created in 2012 to encourage people to do good, is TODAY. When you make a special gift to The Rotary Foundation, your support helps fund sustainable projects that create positive change in communities around the world.

GIVING TUESDAY

The top clubs in fundraising, donor participation, and online giving will be featured on My Rotary. To make a donation to The Rotary Foundation on this Giving Tuesday, please go to:

<https://my.rotary.org/en/giving-tuesday>

Even though the Walk to End Alzheimer's has already taken place, you can still donate to the Rotarians District 5840 United for Good Team through the end of 2025. As of this morning, our Rotary Team has raised \$12,541. 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. You can use the QR to the right to make your donation.

WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S

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Join San Antonio's Rotary Team Today!



Team Rotarians Unite For Good