



San Antonio Northeast Rotary Club
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March 4, 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 speakers this evening are April Esquivel, Meghan Garcia, and Mycah Rex, members of Alamo City Roller Derby (ACRD), is a skater-owned and operated all-female roller derby league. Flat Track derby is their specialty, and they strive to promote and support healthy competition within the roller derby community.



ACRD was founded in 2005 by Kat "Kitty Glitter" Feuerbackner and Cate "Nita Spankin" Compton. These two awesome ladies were on a mission to bring derby to San Antonio, Texas, where the league still calls home today. The founding duo was able to recruit skaters and volunteers and form a league that could be nationally recognized.

Years have gone by and ACRD continues to remember its humble, grassroots beginnings. Alamo City Roller Derby remains dedicated to community building and outreach as well as supporting women's athleticism. ACRD has matured as a league and still strives to increase their presence in the Alamo City and the world of roller derby.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- March 11th **Misty Alva, Elara Caring**
- March 18th **Madison High School student who attended Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)**



At the start of tonight our Happy Bucks pot is up to \$126. That means if your ticket is drawn tonight and you pull the Joker out of the deck, you will leave with at least \$63.

WANTED
"LET'S GO WESTERN NIGHT"

Benefits
 Congregate Meal Program, Seniors and their Guests

Hosted by
 The Greater Randolph Area Services Program, Inc.
 GRASP COMMUNITY CENTER
 250 Donalan Drive
 Converse, Texas 78109

SPONSORED AND PRESENTED BY:
Randolph Metrocom Rotary Club
Northeast San Antonio Rotary Club

Thursday March 6, 2025
 6p.m. to 9:30p.m.

Dinner catered by Bluebonnet Palace
 Dancing, Games, Bingo, and More Activities
 Music by Carlos Barrera

(Western Attire Preferred)
 RSVP 210-658-6351

\$15 per plate



DG Kristen Salazar's Message for March

What an exciting month we're in! Our President Elects and Assistant Governors attended PETS and are returning to our clubs with a renewed inspiration to make each club the best it can be in the next Rotary Year! We also recognize the theme for March which is Water and Sanitation. We're reminded of the fundamental role clean water and sanitation play in building healthy communities.



Access to safe drinking water and proper sanitation is not just a basic human need—it is a right that millions still struggle to attain. Did you know that 2.2 billion people lack access to safe drinking water? Or that more than 4.2 billion people live without adequate sanitation services? Rotary has long been at the forefront of sustainable water projects, ensuring that communities gain not just access but also the education needed to maintain clean water systems. This month, I urge each club in our district to reflect on how we can further our impact in this critical area. Clubs can participate in clean water projects, promote proper handwashing and hygiene education, especially for children, or even support rainwater harvesting just to name a few examples.

On March 8th we'll celebrate International Women's Day. Rotary has a proud history of championing women leaders, change-makers, and humanitarians who work tirelessly to improve communities worldwide. From advancing education for girls to promoting maternal and child health, Rotarians continue to make a difference in ensuring a more equitable and just world. Don't forget we want to see pictures of all of the AMAZING female Rotarians in our District with their Rotary shirts on March 8th so get creative and post those pictures on social media so we can all celebrate the contributions women have brought to Rotary around the world! Don't forget to use the hashtags #D5840ServiceStrong #RotaryWomenRock #WomenInRotary in your posts.

Please also don't forget about the upcoming events in our District. Links to register for each event can be found at rotary5840.org.

- Bi-National Conference with the Rotary Club of Acuna at the Embassy Suites in San Marcos March 21st and 22nd
- Foundation FUNdraiser on April 4th at Aggie Park!
- Celebration of Districts at the Embassy Suites in San Marcos May 2nd - 4th

Birthdays & Anniversaries

District 5840 Governor Kristen Salazar who will be celebrating her birthday on March 15th. Happy Birthday, Kristen.

Anniversary Wishes going out to LaVonna Stewart and her husband Terrance who will be celebrating their Wedding Anniversary on March 16th.

Daylight Saving Time starts on Sunday, March 9th at 2:00 a.m., so remember to see your clock ahead one hour when you go to bed (unless you're still up partying at 2:00 a.m.).



Our speaker last week was Roxey Sowell, Business Development Manager for Celtic Tours. Her presentation was about "Why you should visit Ireland". The Emerald Isle truly captured her heart. From its stunning landscapes to its welcoming people, everything about Ireland captivated her attention. This is why she believes that every person should experience Ireland at least once. After her very interesting presentation, club secretary Dan Clark presented Roxey a speaker's Certificate of Appreciation along with a copy of the Rotary magazine. Thanks to Preston McKinney and his wife Anne for arranging for Roxey to visit with us.



Club members are encouraged to bring non-perishable food items for the Madison Interact Club's Food Pantry to our meetings.



Suggested items to bring include canned meats / proteins, dried / canned fruits and vegetables, snack sized breakfast bars, crackers, jerky, fruit snacks, ready to eat / just add water items such as pasta / sauce, rice (flavored or regular), mac-n-cheese cups, ramen, soup, stew, boxed meals, microwaveable meals (not frozen), and Chef Boyardee. Paper goods such as toilet paper, paper towels, napkins, tissues, paper plates, plasticware, and paper cups are also needed.

Madison High School's 13th Annual March Mav Madness

Madison High School Interact Club's sponsor, Mrs. Janeen Downen would like to invite all club members to attend the 13th Annual March Mav Madness



Olympians vs Faculty game, on **Friday, March 21, 2025 from 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. in the DEMAC.** If you schedule allows, please come out and show your support for the members of the Madison Special Education department.

2025 ROTARY DAY SA

Join your fellow Rotarians in a district-wide day of service.



Registration Required:
Scan the QR code to register

- 9am: Check in, breakfast
- 10am - 2pm: Service Hours
- Volunteers must be 10 or older
- All volunteers must sign a waiver
- Wear your Rotary shirts, appropriate shoes and gloves

- Service Opportunities:**
- Tree ring mulching
 - Litter pick up
 - Invasive species removal
 - Dog park mulching
 - Painting picnic tables
 - Repainting posts and cable

SAT, MARCH 22

MCALLISTER PARK PAVILION #5



Waiver Required:
Scan the QR code to access the waiver

Rotary Club of San Antonio



Congratulations go our to San Antonio Northeast Rotary Club President Russell Sturgeon who will serve as the 2025 San Antonio Walk to End Alzheimer's Event Experience Chair!

Russell is an Assistant Vice President in Corporate Banking at Frost Bank, brings a wealth of professional experience and a deep passion for the mission to end Alzheimer's. His dedication to creating an unforgettable Walk experience will make this year's event more impactful than ever!

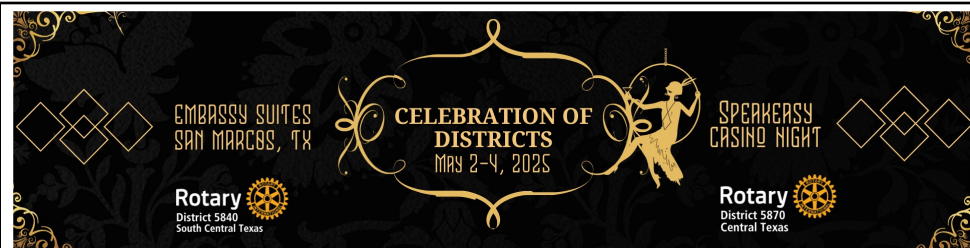


"My connection of service for the Alzheimer's Association stems from several Alzheimer's and dementia-related family losses. Experiencing the legacy of family members deteriorating with this disease has driven me to do my part towards a cure."

Join us in welcoming Russell to this incredible role, and stay tuned for exciting updates as we prepare for the 2025 Walk to End Alzheimer's! This year's walk will take place on Saturday, November 8, 2025 at Six Flags Fiesta Texas.



It's still a few months away, but we wanted to let you know that Rotary Night at the Missions will be held on Thursday, May 8th. More information to follow. Mark your calendar.



Celebration of Districts for Rotary District 5840 South Central Texas and Rotary District 5870 Central Texas at the Embassy Suites, 1001 E McCarty Ln, San Marcos, TX 78666. May 2-4, 2025. We will be celebrating friendship and community as Rotary Districts 5840 and 5870 come together for a special

occasion. This event is dedicated to fostering camaraderie among Rotarians and friends, emphasizing the values of service and fellowship that define our Rotary spirit. The cost is \$175/per person through February 29th.

There will be a Casino Night. Come out and roll the dice and try your luck. Enjoy a variety of classic games such as blackjack, roulette, and poker, all in a friendly and spirited atmosphere. Theme is speakeasy/roaring twenties.

What would a Rotary Conference be without Fellowship. Connect with fellow Rotarians and guests from both districts as we celebrate the bonds that unite us in service and friendship. There will be live music, dancing, and entertainment throughout the evening, creating moments of joy and celebration.

Go to <https://rotary5840.org/events/celebration-of-districts/> to register for the fun. Registration is \$199 per person.

If you want to stay for the weekend, you can book your hotel room at the Embassy Suites Hotel for \$187 per night using the following link:

<https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/rooms/?ctyhocn=SNMESES&arrivalDate=2025-05-02&departureDate=2025-05-04&groupCode=948&room1NumAdults=1&cid=OM%2CWW%2CHILTONLINK%2CEN%2CDirectLink>



International Women's Day, March 8, 2025, let's come together to celebrate the incredible strength, resilience, and achievements of women worldwide! We invite all Rotarian women to participate in our special campaign by sharing a photo of themselves proudly wearing their Rotary shirts. Let's showcase the power and unity of women within the Rotary family!

How to Participate:

1. Put on your favorite Rotary shirt and Rotary (Women in Rotary) pin.
2. Strike a pose that reflects your strength and passion.
3. Snap a photo (Use the WOMEN IN ACTION Canva Template Design) and share it on your social media on March 8th, with the hashtags #D5840ServiceStrong #WomenInRotary #RotaryWomenRock #RotaryWomenRock #WomenInRotary
4. Share it with the District (pblankenzee@rotary5840.org) so we too can promote District 5840 Women in Rotary!

CELEBRATE ROTARY WOMEN IN ACTION

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District 5840



#D5840ServiceStrong #WomenInRotary #RotaryWomenRock

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District 5840



FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER

FRIDAY, APRIL 04, 2025 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM

AGGIE PARK EVENT CENTER

6205 WEST AVE. SAN ANTONIO, TX 78213

52 CARD DRAW | HEADS OR TAILS | WINE RAFFLE

DONATION BOARDS TO INFLUENCE CHANGE

\$50 PER PERSON | \$400 PER TABLE (8)



FREE ADMISSION FOR MAJOR DONORS AND ENDOWMENT DONORS
THAT GAVE \$10,000 IN RY24-25

PROCEEDS TO FUND THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

San Antonio Northeast Rotary Club President-Elect Trina Forcey, along with fellow San Antonio Northeast Rotarians Becky Goering and Dan Clark who will be serving as Assistant Governors, attended Lone Star PETS (President-Elect Training Seminar) this past weekend. Lone Star PETS is Rotary's training program for Rotary Club Presidents-Elect and Presidents-Nominee throughout the State of Texas. The goal of Lone Star PETS is to prepare Presidents-Elect and Presidents-Nominees for their upcoming roles through provocative plenary speakers, in-depth breakout sessions, and informal fellowship and networking with Rotary peers throughout Texas. Lone Star PETS is a joint effort of ten Rotary International districts in the States of Texas and Oklahoma. District Governor Elect Craig Hardy gathered at PETS along with other members of District 5840 to plan for the 2025-2026 Rotary year which officially starts July 1, 2025. The attendees at Lone Star PETS were able to hear in person from Rotary International President-Elect Mário César Martins de Camargo ask members to Unite for Good by embracing growth, service, and connection as he outlined a plan to expand "the best-qualified team of volunteers on the planet."

