



**San Antonio Northeast Rotary Club**  
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Rotary  
Club of San Antonio  
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April 15, 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?

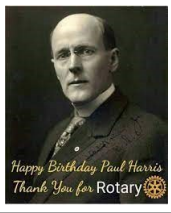


Our speaker this evening is Holly Croom, Rotary District 5840's Membership Chair. Holly will share with us what we can do as current Rotarians to bring more members into Rotary.

Holly has a lot on her plate at this time. She is the Immediate Past President of the Alamo Heights Rotary Club. She is also the General Manager of this year's Alamo Heights Night which will be taking place on Friday, April 25th.

**Birthdays & Anniversaries**

We have one very important birthday to share with everyone today. Rotary Founder Paul Harris was born on April 19, 1868, in Racine, Wisconsin.



**UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

- May 6th Traci Brodbeck, Yellow Roses
- May 20th Colleen Swain, San Antonio World Heritage Office



At the start of tonight our Happy Bucks pot is up to \$93. That means if your ticket is drawn tonight and you pull the Joker out of the deck, you will leave with at least \$46.50.

**WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S**  
ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION

**PROUD NATIONAL TEAM**

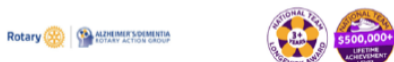


**Why We Walk:** We are Rotarians, Rotaractors and Interactors that have extensive leadership experience around Alzheimer's including Alzheimer's education, patient care, prevention management, research for a cure and strategic partnership. We have chosen to band together as a Rotary Action Group to 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



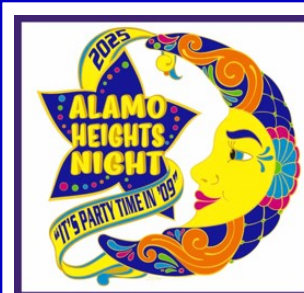
**Celebration of Districts, May 2nd - 4th in San Marcos**

The Celebration of Districts will be held May 2nd - 4th in San Marcos. The hotel has agreed to extend access to the room block rate until today, April 8th, so make sure you book your room before then. You can register for the event, book your room, and view the program at: <https://rotary5840.org/events/celebration-of-districts/>

Members from District 5870 and 5840 have been working hard on this event for several months now and we can't wait to celebrate with so many of our AMAZING Rotarians! Highlights of the weekend include:

**Casino Night:** Roll the dice and try your luck at our thrilling Casino Night. Enjoy a variety of classic games such as blackjack, roulette, and poker, all in a friendly and spirited atmosphere. Theme is speakeasy/roaring twenties.

**Entertainment:** Delight in live music, dancing, and entertainment throughout the evening, creating moments of joy and celebration. Join us as we come together to celebrate the spirit of Rotary and the power of friendship. See you there!



A Safe, Fun, Family Friendly, Outdoor Block Party with Great Food, Drink, Entertainment, Games and Rides for the Entire San Antonio Community.

**The 37th Annual Alamo Heights Night**  
presented by the  
Alamo Heights Rotary Club,  
will take place on Friday, April 25th from  
5:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.  
at The University of the Incarnate Word,  
4301 Broadway, San Antonio, TX 78209.



Rotary District 5840 will have a District Membership Booth at Alamo Heights Night. The shifts are only two hours in length. The first shift starts at 3:00 p.m. Three volunteers are needed for each shift.

Please click the link below if you would like to volunteer for the District Membership Booth:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F054EA8AF2BABF49-49631461-district#/>



We were pleased to welcome Dr. Tarah Hadley, Senior Director of Veterinary Care with the San Antonio Zoo as our guest speaker last week. Dr. Hadley gave us a very interesting and informative presentation of what she and her staff does with the San Antonio Zoo. After her presentation, Club President Russell Sturgeon presented Dr. Hadley with a Speaker's Certificate of Appreciation along with a copy of the Rotary magazine. Russell's daughter Maria helped him out with the presentation.

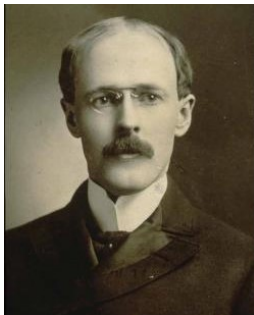


## Paul Harris: Rotary's Founder Rotary started with the vision of one man — Paul P. Harris.

Harris was born on 19 April 1868 in Racine, Wisconsin, USA. At age 3, he moved to Wallingford, Vermont, where he grew up in the care of his paternal grandparents. He attended the University of Vermont and Princeton University and received his law degree from the University of Iowa in 1891.



In 1896, Harris settled in Chicago and opened a law practice. Four years later, he met fellow attorney Bob Frank for dinner on Chicago's North Side. They walked around the area, stopping at shops along the way. Harris was impressed that Frank was friendly with many of the shopkeepers. He had not seen this kind of camaraderie among businessmen since moving to Chicago and wondered if there was a way to channel it, because it reminded him of growing up in Wallingford. "The thought persisted that I was experiencing only what had happened to hundreds, perhaps thousands, of others in the great city. ... I was sure that there must be many other young men who had come from farms and small villages to establish themselves in Chicago. ... Why not bring them together? If others were longing for fellowship as I was, something would come of it."



Harris eventually persuaded several business associates to discuss the idea of forming an organization for local professionals. On February 23, 1905, Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, and Hiram Shorey gathered at Loehr's office in downtown Chicago for what would become known as the first Rotary club meeting.

In February 1907, Harris was elected the third president of the Rotary Club of Chicago. Toward the end of his presidency, he worked to expand Rotary beyond the city. Some club members resisted, not wanting to take on the additional financial burden. But Harris persisted, and by 1910, Rotary had expanded to several other major U.S. cities.

Harris recognized the need to form a national association with an executive board of directors. In August 1910, Rotarians held their first national convention in Chicago, where the 16 existing clubs unified as the National Association of Rotary Clubs (now Rotary International). The new association unanimously elected Harris as its president.

At the end of his second term as Rotary president, Harris resigned, citing ill health and the demands of his professional practice and personal life. He was elected president emeritus by convention action, a title he held until his death.

In the mid-1920s, Harris became actively involved in Rotary again, serving as the public face of the organization. To promote membership and service, he attended conventions and visited clubs throughout the world, often accompanied by his wife, Jean.



Harris died on January 27, 1947 in Chicago at age 78, after a prolonged illness. Before his death, he made it known that he preferred contributions to The Rotary Foundation in lieu of flowers. By coincidence, days before he died, Rotary leaders had committed to a major fundraising effort for the Foundation.

Upon news of his death, Rotary created the Paul Harris Memorial Fund as a way to solicit these donations. Rotarians were encouraged to commemorate the late founder of Rotary by contributing to the fund, which would be used for purposes dear to Harris' heart. In the 18 months following his death, The Rotary Foundation received \$1.3 million, which helped support the Foundation's first program — scholarships for graduate study abroad.



The Rotary Club of San Antonio will be hosting the Triple Crown Bourbon, Bubbles & Bites event on Thursday, May 8th at the May Center at The Witte Museum.

This event is presented by Don Strange of Texas to benefit the Sam J. Riklin Rotary Diploma Plus program.

Please go the link below if you are interested in purchases tickets:

<https://www.rotarysa.org/events/current-fundraising-events/>

## Rotary Night at Missions Baseball

Join us for a great night at the ballpark. Ticket price includes food, beer and soft drinks. We'll have a private deck. Tickets are limited so sign up today.



- Thursday, May 22nd
- Buffet opens at 6:00 p.m.
- Game begins at 7:05 p.m.
- Fiesta Deck
- \$35.00 person
- All food and drink included

The San Antonio Missions Fiesta Deck is an all-inclusive, private, multi-level deck. It includes an ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT meal that includes hamburgers, hot dogs, beef and chicken fajitas, and nacho bar. Plus, snack on popcorn, cookies, and chips and salsa throughout the game while washing it down with refreshing Coca-Cola products or ICE COLD BEER!! (Food is available from 6-9 or until the 7th inning, whichever comes first.)

Click the following link to purchase tickets: <https://www.paypal.com/ncp/payment/3FXRB75T3KV5A>