



San Antonio Northeast Rotary Club
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Rotary
Club of San Antonio
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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 Thomas Corser, CEO of Arboretum San Antonio. Thomas is the founding energy behind a 501(c)3 formed in 2021 to establish a 188 acre outdoor greenspace on San Antonio's southeast side as a peaceful outdoor living museum of trees that can inspire and educate. The arboretum will be located at the former Republic Golf Club, off of Southeast Military Drive.



Tom has also served and is serving on various nonprofit and non-board committees to help with strategy, marketing, and development. Tom started his career at AT&T Bell Laboratories developing fiber optic packages for terrestrial long-haul telecom/datacom applications. He went on to support business development and strategy at AT&T exploring new acquisitions and partnerships with wireless providers, cable companies and other digital technology companies to enable new growth areas for AT&T. Tom also spent 8 years with Avaya in strategic marketing and market intelligence. In 2021 Tom retired from Juniper Networks based in Sunnyvale California, where he led the transformation from Hardware to a subscription-based software business model.



Tom is a proud graduate of Class VXIII of the 2022 Masters Leadership Program (MLP). He currently serves on the MLP Board and co-chairs the Community and Economic Development Day. Tom is the Chair of The Nonprofit Council Leadership Development Committee. He also serves on the CPS Citizens Advisory Committee, nominated by John Courage representing District 9.

Tom holds a Mechanical Engineering degree from Texas A&M and a Masters of Manufacturing Systems Engineering from University of Wisconsin-Madison. Tom and his wife Tina moved to San Antonio from New Jersey in 2017, where they lived for 30 years and raised their two boys who still live on the east coast.

The San Antonio Northeast Rotary will be celebrating its 37th Anniversary on Friday. On May 19, 1987, 20 men gathered at the Randolph Field (now Randolph Air Force Base) Officer's Club to charter the newest Rotary club in San Antonio. The San Antonio Northeast Rotary Club was sponsored by the Alamo Heights Rotary Club. We have two Charter members still in our club - Dennis Heath and Bob Barron. We are very proud of what we have done for our community over the last 37 years and look forward to serving the community for many years to come.



May 15, 2024
D5840 Cranes for Hope Ceremony
4PM-7PM
The San Antonio Peace Center at Northwest Vista College Live Oak
Hall 2nd Floor, 3535 N Ellison Dr 78250
Cost is \$10. Funds raised will go towards purchase of a Peace Pole.

Register



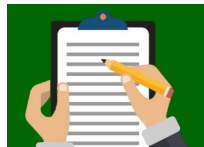
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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

May 21st Dawn Hooker, Boysville

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Being Charter members of the San Antonio Northeast Rotary Club, Bob Barron and Dennis Heath will both be celebrating their 37th Rotary Anniversary on May 19th. Thank you gentlemen for everything that you have done for Rotary and for our club over the years.



Denise Johnson has applied for membership in the San Antonio Northeast Rotary Club. Denise's classification would be Certified Medical Coder. Denise is being sponsored by Debbie Degollado.

Denise has already attended several of our club meetings. If there are no objections, Denise will become a new member of the San Antonio Northeast Rotary Club on May 21st.




All Rotarians are invited to attend the Installation Dinner for 2024-2025 District Governor Kristen Salazar on Wednesday, June 26th at the Old San Francisco Steakhouse, 10223 Sahara Dr, San Antonio, TX 78216.


The evening will begin at 6:00 PM for cocktails, followed by dinner at 6:30PM. Dress code is Roaring 20's. Cost is \$40/person or \$300 for a table of 8. Click the link below to Register.
<https://rotary5840.org/events/district-installation-dinner/>

To register to attend the San Antonio Missions' game on ALZ Awareness and Star Wars Night, please complete the link below.
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1cp9mlQkuyKx9CP8TqkNEidhWfzfJPI2Lj3v7RMOs0/edit?usp=sharing>




NAMES MUST BE ADDED BY MAY 15TH
Please add your name, cell, email and how many tickets you would like up to 4 per person. Please contact President-Elect Russell Sturgeon if you have any questions.

At the start of tonight our Happy Bucks pot is at \$368. That means if your ticket is drawn tonight and you pull the Joker out of the deck, you will leave with at least \$184.



The deadline is quickly approaching to turn in your District 5840 District Annual Fund Raffle tickets. The prize for the Raffle winners is a \$1,000 gift card. There are seven (7) prizes. The winner of the third drawing is the SELLER of the ticket so please be sure to complete that information on the ticket stubs. The Drawing will be on June 1st in Uvalde at the Club Leadership Workshop. All ticket stubs must be turned into PDG Jerry Hardy by May 25, 2024. Please contact Dan Clark if you have any questions.





Our speaker last week was Dr. Vincent Michael of The Conservation Society of San Antonio. Dr. Michael gave us a very interesting, informative, and passionate presentation on the what the Conservation Society of San Antonio does for the Alamo City. After his presentation, club president Dan Clark gave Dr. Michael a Speaker's Certificate of Appreciation and the latest edition of the Rotary magazine.



John Sever, a champion of polio eradication, dies

by Rotary International

John Sever, an infectious disease specialist and champion of Rotary's polio eradication program, died on 25 April. He was 92.

A Rotary member since 1964, the Chicago, Illinois-born Sever worked for almost three decades as chief of the Infectious Diseases Branch at the National Institutes of Health. Later he served as a professor of pediatrics, obstetrics and gynecology, microbiology, immunology and tropical medicine at the George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences. He published over 600 scientific papers in these fields.

On Sever's recommendation in 1979, Rotary would embark on its decades-long effort to eradicate polio globally, expanding what began as a vaccination campaign in the Philippines. Because of his expertise and advocacy, Sever served on the International PolioPlus Committee (IPPC) from its inception in 1994 and was a member and vice chair. His tireless efforts were instrumental in driving the global campaign to eradicate polio.

Through his leadership, Sever, a member of the Rotary Club of Potomac, Maryland, USA, inspired countless individuals to join the ranks of Rotary members and partners. He helped forge a shared mission to immunize every child, reach every community, and leave no one behind. His guidance was influential in navigating complex challenges, overcoming barriers, and sustaining momentum in the face of adversity.

"His expertise in immunology was invaluable to both Rotary and the Global Polio Eradication Initiative," says IPPC Chair Mike McGovern. "In addition to the International PolioPlus Committee, John served on the US Polio Eradication Advocacy Task Force for many years until his passing."

Sever's work to end polio spanned decades and was marked by unwavering determination and resolve. His pioneering contributions paved the way for groundbreaking strategies, innovative approaches, and unprecedented collaboration, bringing us closer than ever to the ultimate goal of a polio-free world.

"He was an inspiration to all of us, and his impact on the efforts toward a polio-free world were unequalled," says McGovern. "While we will remember and celebrate John's great work and service, the best way to honor him is to recommit ourselves to completing the task of ending polio."

Sever served as a District Governor and a member and Chair of several Rotary International and Rotary Foundation committees. Sever was a professor emeritus of Pediatrics, Obstetrics, Gynecology, Microbiology, Immunology, and Tropical Medicine at the George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences, Children's National Medical Center. He taught postgraduate education in infectious diseases and served on several institutional review boards. He was past president of the Teratology Society, the Infectious Diseases Society for Obstetrics and Gynecology, the Association of Medical Laboratory Immunologists, and the Pan American Group for Rapid Viral Diagnosis.

Sever is survived by his wife, Gerane, daughters Kimberly, Beverly, and Valerie, and seven grandchildren.



John Sever (center) who was an infectious disease specialist and member of the Rotary club of Potomac, Maryland, USA, listens to fellow participants during Rotary Day at the White House in Washington D.C., on April 4, 2013.

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Moments from the 2024 District Conference Cruise to Cozumel, Mexico

