

ROTARY CLUB OF ABILENE

The Rotator

Service Above Self

THIS WEEK: July 14, 2017 - Kevin Bradford - Goodwill West Texas



One of our newest Rotarians, Kevin Bradford, will be our guest speaker this week. He was born in Abilene, and went to Cooper High and then college at McMurry University before moving on to Luther Rice Seminary and Concordia University School of Business.

Kevin says, "I have been married to my bride, and best friend for 18 years. We have a two-year-old... He is our sixth. We have an amazing family of three boys and three girls.

We are blessed that they love God, each other, and community involvement."

As to employment Kevin was Patient Account Manager / Financial Director for Aspirus Health CEO for Fox Valley Hematology & Oncology, South Carolina before returning to Abilene where he is President /CEO for Goodwill West Texas.

For hobbies and interests Kevin names board games, Disney World, golf, reading, and being with family. He has spent his career focused on serving people through ministry and non-profit organizations while utilizing business to be a tent-making skill for his family.

Joining Goodwill West Texas has allowed him to take his business acumen and passion to serve people, creating the opportunity for him to spend 100% of his energy on people and community engagement.

He joined Rotary for the first time here in Abilene in February, after years of wishing he had the time to contribute. His wife was a Rotary Exchange Student in high school, and it changed her life.

LAST MEETING: July 7, 2017 -
Changing of the Guard



In-coming President Paul Thomas, right, presents Richard Rolison with the out-going President's plaque.

ROTARIAN OF THE WEEK



Audrey Schroyer

Audrey Schroyer was born in Akron, Ohio and grew up in Kent, (northeast Ohio, an hour south of Cleveland).

She attended Piedmont College in Demorest, Georgia, receiving a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration as well as a Master of Business Administration degree.

Audrey's parents, Scott and Lisza, have been together for 30 years and currently live in Florida. Her two younger brothers, Scott and John, both live and attend college in Ohio.

Audrey has worked in higher education research, digital media, and sales before pursuing a career in economic development, where she currently holds a position as director of marketing for the Abilene Industrial Foundation.

Outside interests include bicycling, kayaking, road trips and spending time outdoors with her two dogs. "When I am feeling less active, I like to drink a nice Malbec and binge-watch shows on Netflix."

Audrey is a board member for the Center for Contemporary Arts, a Big Sister with Abilene Big Brothers Big Sisters, and an active member of the Abilene Young Professionals.

She joined our club last week and is excited to get involved!



President Paul Thomas, left, is shown here with some of his 2017-2018 board members. They are from the left: Kate Alvarez, in-coming president; Myra Dean, director; Mary Beth Kilgore, secretary; Charlie Kitchell, assistant sergeant-at-arms; Shaun Martin, director; and, Peter Agnell, treasurer.

During changeover ceremonies last week, we welcomed our new president, Paul Thomas; president elect, Kate Alvarez; secretary, Mary Beth Kilgore; treasurer, Peter Agnell; sergeant-at-arms, Marty Pothier; and assistant sergeant-at-arms, Charlie Kitchell. Past president, Richard Rolison, will remain on the board for one more year as he slides into the immediate past president's slot.

In addition, newly elected directors were introduced. They are Donna Albus, Myra Dean and Shaun Martin. Those directors (who were elected for a two year term last fall) will join three directors who will be serving their second year on the board. They are Dave Boyll, Carissa Gast and Jim McNiece.

NEXT WEEK: July 21, 2017 - James Childers



James Childers has been Assistant City Manager of Abilene since November 2015 and Director of Community Services here from October 2012 to October 2015. He was Assistant Director (Code Compliance) for Dallas from 2008 to 2012. He held other positions in Dallas and Flower Mound.

He will discuss the street maintenance fee.

Childers has a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Midwestern State University, 2001 and a Master of Public Administration (Local Government Management), 2003.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- July 14, 2017 - Board Meeting
- July 14, 2017 - Kevin Bradford - Goodwill West Texas
- July 21, 2017 - James Childers - Assistant City Manager
- July 22, 2017 - Lake Abilene Disc Golf - Community Service day - Come and go from 9 a.m. until noon
- July 29, 2017 - Paul Thomas - President
- Aug. 2017 - Lake Abilene Disc Golf - Community Service day - date and time to be announced
- Sept. 2017 - Lake Abilene Disc Golf - Community Service day - date and time to be announced

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROGRAMS NEEDED

MAKE-UPS

WEDNESDAY ROTARY

Peter Fox - 2

SOUTHWEST ROTARY Richard Rolison

Send make-ups to marybeth.kilgore@gmail.com

To complete a make-up online, contact one of the organizations below:

- <http://www.oneworldrotary.org/>
- <http://rotaryclubone.org/>

EVERY ROTARIAN EVERY YEAR (EREY)

Congratulations to the following who have donated to the 2017-2018 EREY program.

CLUB SERVICE

July 7, 2017

Registration:

Jim McNiece

Invocation:

Renee Gaskin

Singing/Pledge:

Becky Spargo

Introductions:

Raymond Blasingame

Dealing for Dollars:

Myra Dean

POLIO PLUS CONTRIBUTORS

for the 2017-2018 Rotary Year

All members are asked to contribute \$30.00 towards the 2017-2018 End Polio Now campaign. Those contributing thus far are listed below.

Peter Fox
Renee Gaskin
Mike Sadler
Barbara Rollins

Looking forward to exciting programs this Rotary Year...

If you have an idea for a program in the next six months starting in July 2017, contact Myra Dean, 2017-2018 program chair.

As anyone who has served as a program chair knows, this is a time consuming job. We need everyone's help to continue having interesting and entertaining programs.

We (Barbara and Mary Beth) need a bio and picture of your speaker no later than two weeks prior to their presentation in order to get it in the Rotator. Also needed are their topic and a couple of sentences about their presentation..

Also, please check with them to see if they need a projector and/or screen. They will need to bring their own computer.

CLUB ATTENDANCE

July 7, 2017 meeting

36 members out of 74 for an attendance percentage of 50%.

DEALING FOR DOLLARS

Friday our pot will start out at \$342.00

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CLUB OFFICERS

President	Paul Thomas
President-Elect	Kate Alvarez
Secretary	Mary Beth Kilgore
Treasurer	Peter Agnell
Directors	Donna Albus Dave Boyll Myra Dean Carissa Gast Shaun Martin Jim McNiece
Sergeant at Arms	Marty Pothier Asst: Charlie Kitchell
Immediate Past President	Richard Rolison

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

This section highlights our Rotary members who are active in the community. Please let Mary Beth or Barbara know when you are involved in activities outside Rotary, vacationing in exotic places, change jobs, etc.
