

# ROTARY CLUB OF ABILENE

## The Rotator

Service Above Self

THIS WEEK: Aug 4, 2017 - Renee Gaskin and Mike Sadler - RI Convention



Our members Reneé Gaskin and Mike Sadler attended the Rotary International Convention in Atlanta, Georgia June 10-14. Hear the reactions and observations of the two, Reneé a first-year Rotarian and Mike, an old hand. What did they learn and how did the experience change them?



LAST MEETING: July 28, 2017 - Tony Barker

Wow! What a performance. Its unusual to be able to get up close and personal with a noted singer and songwriter such as Tony Barker but that's what we were able to do last Friday.

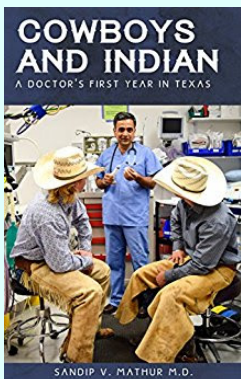
Barker's 2006 CD, "All In" earned him a nomination as "Singer/Songwriter of The Year" by The Academy Of Texas Music, and he's been performing with bands, and as a solo acoustic performer for more than 30 years.

Primarily a "Cover" artist - performing popular songs for entertainment, he's also been blessed to perform his own material at Larry McMurtry's Royal Theater, Austin's "South by Southwest" festival, and other notable "Listening Rooms" throughout Texas. He is a tireless promoter of Big Country songwriters, hosting events and connecting artists to venues and promoters, and including their music into his own shows.

His biggest attempt to introduce Abilene to "Americana" music happened on July 28th the Historic Paramount Theater when he invited one of the giants of the genre - Walt Wilkins - to come to Abilene as a fundraising event benefiting Global Samaritan Resources.



NEXT WEEK: August 11, 2017 - Dr. Sandip Mathur, "Cowboys and Indian": A Doctor's First Year in Texas



Sandip Mathur, MD, PA, is board certified in gastroenterology. He can skillfully diagnose and treat all gastrointestinal illnesses, performing endoscopic screenings for colon cancer, upper endoscopies, colonoscopies and all GI procedures.

Saddle up and ride to rugged West Texas to meet a young doctor just starting his practice! Stand by his side in the ER as he diagnoses and treats patients with heart attacks, collapsed lungs, meningitis, seizures, and other emergencies. Whether inserting a breathing tube or spinal needle, delivering electric shocks, searching for cancer on X-rays or telling stories to his two young daughters at night, Dr. Mathur's heartwarming and occasionally hilarious

## ROTARIAN OF THE WEEK



### HANNAH WIGINTON

Hannah was born in Abilene, grew up in Hamby and attended Eula schools. Her parents still live in Hamby, and her brother and sister are also in Abilene.

Hannah received her Bachelor's from Tarleton State University. She has been married to Josh for six years. Their son Blaze is ten, and Macy, who is one and a half. A sweet Boston Terrier named Yoda rounds out the family.

Hannah is currently Communications and Grants Director for New Horizons Ranch & Center. They help kids who have been removed from their homes due to abuse and provide foster and adoptive homes, residential treatment homes, and therapy and free counseling.

Hannah loves to be outside! The family camps, rides bikes, and walks. Hannah reads when dealing with a toddler allows it.

Her life (and heart) are full! right now. She relishes spending time with her husband and kids.

Since joining Rotary in September 2013, she has made some wonderful

stories depict human relationships at many levels. The new doctor on the prairie is also a husband, a father, a neighbor, and an immigrant. The first year of practice is critical for all doctors, rocked by anxiety and fear. The love and support of family and patients makes it possible to persevere and overcome these challenges. These stories portray a doctor's life at its best and its worst, and show the personal toll of practicing medicine as well as the many rewards of working in an under served hospital. This biography reveals that, though medicine is indeed demanding and difficult, a little humor, compassion, and humility makes it fulfilling and inspiring.

friends and met some amazing individuals! She is thankful to be a part of Rotary!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug. 4, 2017 - Renee Gaskin and Mike Sadler - the RI conference as seen by a new member and a seasoned member

Aug. 11, 2017 - Dr. Sandip Mathur, "Cowboys and Indian": A Doctor's First Year in Texas

Aug. 18, 2017 - Joe Spano - Dyess Memorial Park

Aug. 2017 - Lake Abilene Disc Golf - Community Service day - date and time to be announced

Aug. 19, 2017 - District Membership Foundation Seminar

Sept. 2017 - Lake Abilene Disc Golf - Community Service day - date and time to be announced

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PROGRAMS NEEDED

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.

### NEW MEMBER LUNCH POLICY

The Rotarian bringing a prospective new member to a meeting is responsible for paying for his/her lunch. The only free lunch from the club for the new member is on the day he/she is introduced as a new member.

### CLUB ATTENDANCE

July 28, 2017 meeting

30 members out of 74 for an attendance percentage of 41%.

### DEALING FOR DOLLARS

Friday our pot will start out at \$163.00

## 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

## MAKE-UPS

### FLAG PROGRAM - 4TH OF JULY

Shaun Martin

### eCLUB ONE

Kevin Bradford

### SOUTHWEST ROTARY

Peter Fox  
Richard Rolison  
Becky Spargo

### NEWCOMERS ORIENTATION

David Boyll  
Kevin Bradford  
Jared Bailey  
Kevin Carrolll  
Gayla Fullerton  
Renee Gaskin  
Mary Beth Kilgore  
Paul Thomas  
Kevin Willhelm

Send make-ups to

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

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

<http://rotaryeclubone.org/>

### **EVERY ROTARIAN EVERY YEAR (EREY)**

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

**ED BROKAW  
DON DRENNAN**

**CLUB SERVICE**  
July 28, 2017

Registration:  
Kevin Bradford  
Invocation:  
Joe Alcorta

Sergeant at Arms	Jim McNiece Marty Pothier Asst: Charlie Kitchell
Immediate Past President	Richard Rolison

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## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

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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.

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Pledge:  
Morris Baker  
Introductions:  
Donna Albus  
Dealing for Dollars:  
Don Drennan

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### **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. Members who have donated since last week are in **bold**.

Peter Agnell  
**DONNA ALBUS**  
Morris Baker  
David Boyll  
Myra Dean  
**DON DRENNAN**  
Peter Fox  
Renee Gaskin  
Mary Beth Kilgore  
**SIDNEY LEVESQUE**  
Mike Sadler  
**MIKE SCHWEIKHARD**  
Barbara Rollins

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