

ROTARY CLUB OF ABILENE

The Rotator

Service Above Self

THIS WEEK: Aug. 18, 2017 - Joe Spano - Dyess Memorial Park



Joe Spano, vice chair of the Military Affairs Committee for Dyess Support for the Abilene Chamber of Commerce, will speak to us about a project to expand the Dyess Memorial Park.

This is a memorial to honor those airmen who lost their lives in aircraft crashes while they served at Dyess AFB. The project's goal is to raise \$500,000. A scale model of the project will be on display. He will welcome questions about the project.

Spano is a retired businessman and a former three term Abilene City Council member.

LAST MEETING: Aug. 11, 2017 - Dr. Sandip Mathur

Sandip Mathur, MD, PA, is a board certified gastroenterologist and author of *Cowboys and Indian*.

His presentation last week told of a young doctor just starting his practice and after spending time in England and Baylor, he ended up as a doctor in Coleman where he spent six years prior to moving to Abilene.

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.

The stories in Dr. Mathur's book 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.



NEXT WEEK: August 25, 2017 - TBD

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

ROTARIAN OF THE WEEK



Betty Hukill

Betty Hukill was born in Dallas, reared in Arlington, attended UTA and graduated from Stephen F. Austin University with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Theatre. She is married to Charlie. They have no children unless you count the entire creative community of Abilene.

Betty is currently Executive Director at the Historic Paramount Theatre and is the past Technical Director at the Abilene Community Theatre. She spent three and a half years at the Abilene Cultural Affairs Council as Executive Director of Young Audiences of Abilene.

Aug. 19, 2017 - District Membership Foundation Seminar
Aug. 25, 2017 - TBD
Sept. 2017 - Lake Abilene Disc Golf - Community Service day - date and time to be announced
Oct. 21, 2017 - The Mayors Cup disc golf tournament. Will Hair Park on Ambler.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISC GOLF WORK DAY

Aug. 19, 2017

Lake Abilene Disc Golf work day and possible tour. 10 a.m. Bring gloves if you have them. Don't buy any if you don't have them. We should have a few extras for you. We will have plenty of water. This will count as a make-up.

Rotary Clubs Of Abilene present the Big Country Brisket Cookoff

October 7, 2017

Fire up your grills Rotarians and join in the fun at our first joint fundraiser. \$1500 grand prize for overall winner.

Cooking starts at 8:00 am, Bloody Competition at Brunch at 11:30 am, Brisket judging starts at 4:30 pm in the afternoon.

Music, Fun, Drinks, Children's Activities, Bounce Houses, Great Food, all proceeds Benefiting the Abilene Rotary Clubs.

Location: Grapevine Farms, Non-profit organic vegetable farm located 2826 West Lake Road, Abilene, Texas 79601.

EXTRA GROCERIES?

Are your kitchen cabinets stuffed? Why not bring your extra groceries to Rotary on Friday and donate to the First Methodist Food Pantry.

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

August 11, 2017 meeting

32 members out of 74 for an attendance percentage of 43%.

DEALING FOR DOLLARS

Friday our pot will start out at \$186.00

CLUB OFFICERS

Betty is on the Board of the Abilene Zoo, Goodwill West Texas, and the Abilene Convention and Visitors Bureau.

She loves reading, cats, and being with friends.

Betty first came into our club in 1990 and loves all facets of Rotary. She was proposed first by Gerald Vincent and when she rejoined in 2005 by Bob Test. She's been our president and all kinds of other roles - in Rotary as well as on stage.

MAKE-UPS

SOUTHWEST ROTARY

Kayla Christianson
Paul Thomas

eCLUB ONE

Kayla Christianson

MEETING WITH DGE ROBINSON

Kayla Christianson

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.

Ed Brokaw
Kent Brown
Don Drennan
Paul Lenker

CLUB SERVICE

Aug. 11, 2017

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

Registration:
Riley Griffith
Invocation:
Keith Carroll
Singing/Pledge:
Jim McNiece
Introductions:
Raymond Blasingame
Dealing for Dollars:
Charlie Kitchell

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
Kent Brown
Myra Dean
Don Drennan
Peter Fox
Renee Gaskin
Betty Hukill
Mary Beth Kilgore
Sidney Levesque
Mike Sadler
Mike Schweikhard
Barbara Rollins

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.
