

ROTARY CLUB OF ABILENE

The Rotator

Service Above Self

THIS WEEK: Sept. 8, 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: Sept. 1, 2017 - President Paul Thomas - We Are Rotary

President Paul Thomas and Dave Boyll spoke to us last week about the importance of supporting the Rotary Foundation.

Rotary is a global network of business, professional, and community volunteers. In Rotary clubs like ours around the world

Rotarians are changing lives in their own communities and those abroad.

To keep Rotary a viable organization, we need to add new members with new ideas.

Invite someone to next week's meeting.

NEXT WEEK: September 15, 2017 - Glenn Dromgoole "Every Book Has Two Stories"

Glenn Dromgoole's books cover a wide range of topics and styles, mixing whimsy with a generous dose of optimism.



ROTARIAN OF THE WEEK



TURNER CARIKER

Turner Cariker was born and raised in Dumas, Texas. He served six years in the Marine Corps and is a veteran of Operation Desert Shield/Storm.

Jill, his wife of 35 years, is a nurse for Dr. Bennett. Their son Connor, 32, works with Turner at 1st Alarm. Allison, recently engaged, is working on her masters in therapy at UTA (University Texas Arlington) and works for New Horizons.

The family moved to Abilene in 1997 to purchase a Merry Maids franchise. They opened a 1st Alarm franchise in 2002 and sold Merry Maids in 2008. The family started Alcom Medical Alert in 2012.

Turner's community involvement includes Junior Achievement and BBB Boards, the Abilene Chamber, and Abilene Country Club. He enjoys reading, cooking out,



Most of his books are still in print, including *What Dogs Teach Us*, which was a *New York Times* Bestseller Plus selection for eight weeks, reaching Number 24 in Hardcover Nonfiction in 1999. He followed up with *What Cats Teach Us* and *What Horses Teach Us*, as well as *What Dogs Teach Us II* and *What Grandchildren Do*.

Many of Glenn's books are more regional in focus - *Abilene Stories*; *West Texas Christmas Stories*; *Coleman Springs USA*; and *Good*

Night Little Texan, a companion volume to his popular children's books *Good Night Cowboy* and *Good Night Cowgirl*.

Glenn and his wife Carol own Texas Star Trading Company - the National Store of Texas - in downtown Abilene, featuring Texas books, gourmet and gifts.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept. 8, 2017 - Joe Spano - Dyess Memorial Park
- Sept. 8, 2017 - Board Meeting
- Sept. 15, 2017 - Glenn Dromgoole - "Every Book Has Two Sides"
- Sept. 22, 2017 - Beehive owner - "My Journey to Texas"
- Sept. 29, 2017 - Jean Butler - UMC Food Pantry
- Sept. 2017 - Lake Abilene Disc Golf - Community Service day - date and time to be announced
- Oct. 7, 2017 - Big Country Brisket Cookoff
- Oct. 21, 2017 - The Mayors Cup disc golf tournament. Will Hair Park on Ambler.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ROTARIANS HELPING OTHERS!

All of us are concerned about those who have been touched by the devastation in South Texas due to Hurricane Harvey.

The Rotary Governors from that area have sent information about how to make donations to support their disaster relief efforts. They are on the ground and have first hand knowledge what is needed for their area at this time. Please consider supporting them during this difficult time.

For details, check out the email from PDG Sharron Miles. Her message might have gone straight to your spam file, I know mine did.

Rotary Clubs Of Abilene Present the Big Country Brisket Cookoff

October 7, 2017

This **has been postponed** until next Spring due to resources being diverted to help Hurricane Harvey victims.

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

and - of course - golf. "I try to read daily for at least 45 minutes and always fall asleep watching the golf channel." They recently bought a boat and spend most weekends at the lake.

Turner Joined Rotary thanks to Steve Abel in 1997 and served as club president 2003-04. "I consider Mike Weber to be a close personal friend and he and I met at Rotary." Turner serves on the Chuck Moser Award and Flag committees and was Rotarian of the year 2006-2007.

"Rotary has been one of the best investments of my time. There are many role models in Rotary and I consider it an honor to be around and associated with them."

MAKE-UPS

FLAG DETAIL

Shaun Martin

SOUTHWEST ROTARY

Kevin Bradford
Richard Rolison

WEDNESDAY ROTARY

Bruce Bixby
Peter Fox - 2
Paul Thomas

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/>

CLUB SERVICE

Sept. 1, 2017

Registration:

Becky Spargo

Invocation:

Kevin Bradford

Singing/Pledge:

Morris Baker

Introductions:

Don Drennan

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

Sept. 1, 2017 meeting

37 members out of 73 for an attendance percentage of 51%.

DEALING FOR DOLLARS

Friday our pot will start out at around \$233.00

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 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.

Dealing for Dollars:

Kevin Bradford

EVERY ROTARIAN EVERY YEAR (EREY)

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

Ed Brokaw
Kent Brown
Don Drennan
Paul Lenker

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
Ed Brokaw
Kent Brown
Myra Dean
FRANK DLUGAS
Don Drennan
Peter Fox
Renee Gaskin
Betty Hukill
Mary Beth Kilgore
Sidney Levesque
Bob McMillan
Mike Sadler
Mike Schweikhard
Barbara Rollins
