

Monthly Newsletter

June 2025

Rotary 
Club of Houston Heights
Established in 1939



A Successful Annual Crawfish Boil: Unite for Good

This year's annual Rotary Crawfish Boil was a huge success, bringing our community together for a day of great food, lively conversations, and a shared commitment to making a positive impact. The event showcased Louisiana's finest crawfish, along with live music, games, and a spirit of fellowship that perfectly embodied Rotary's values.

More than just a fun gathering, the Boil raised vital funds for local projects in education, youth programs, and health initiatives. These funds will continue our mission of service, helping us create meaningful change both locally and globally.

The Boil attracted a record crowd, with Rotarians, families, and friends joining together for a common cause.

This sense of unity aligned perfectly with Rotary President-elect Mário César Martins de Camargo's 2025-2026 message: "Unite for Good." His call for Rotarians worldwide to come together and use our collective power to create positive change was truly reflected in this event.

President-elect Mário's message is a powerful reminder of the impact we can have when we work as one. Whether through fundraising or volunteering, each act of service contributes to something greater. As we look ahead to the 2025-2026 Rotary year, the success of this event inspires us to continue uniting for good—making a lasting difference in the lives of those we serve. Thank you to everyone who attended and supported the Boil—together, we are truly making an impact.

Erica Alderete
President

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Rotary International Learning Opportunities

Rotary International's Learning Center, available both online and through the app, offers Rotarians a valuable resource for expanding their understanding of the organization, enhancing leadership skills, and deepening their knowledge of Rotary's focal areas. By providing a range of self-paced courses and interactive modules, the platform allows members to learn at their own convenience, whether they are at home, at work, or on the go. These courses cover key aspects of Rotary's mission, from its history and values to its ongoing global initiatives, making it easier for members to engage with Rotary's impact on communities worldwide.

Beyond that, the Learning Center also offers specialized training in leadership, enabling members to develop essential skills for taking on roles within their clubs and districts. The leadership development content includes modules on project management, effective communication, and fostering collaboration, helping members become more effective advocates for change. With an emphasis on Rotary's seven areas of focus - the platform equips Rotarians with the tools they need to tackle pressing global challenges and lead with confidence, both locally and internationally.



RI Learning App

Learning at Your Finger Tips

It's now easier than ever to complete your role-based courses, track your progress, and explore other courses and resources — wherever you are.

To get started:

1. Download Rotary Learning Center from your app store.
2. Open the app and enter your My Rotary username and password.
3. Find your courses.

If you've accessed the Learning Center previously through the Go.Learn app, you'll find that the RotaryLearn app is a more streamlined experience. After you get started with RotaryLearn, you can remove Go.Learn from your mobile devices.



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Upcoming Club Events

- 6/4: Youth Protection Training
- 6/7: Rotary Club of Houston Heights Installation & Interact Officer Installation
- 6/11: Meeting w/Speaker
- 6/18: Meeting w/Speaker
- 6/21: Turning Point Service
- 6/25: Meeting w/Speaker
- 6/25 (PM): Board Meeting (Hybrid)

Member Highlights



Karla Trujillo

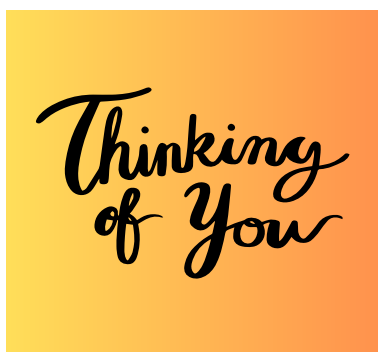
Welcome our newest member, Karla Trujillo. She joins us as a local Heights resident and has already shown her love for service through support at our annual Crawfish Boil and Mayoral Luncheon.

Welcome to the Rotary family, Karla!



Erica Alderete

Club interim President, Erica, joined the Rotary Club of Houston Veterans and other Rotary District 5890 members on Sunday, May 25 to honor veterans at the district project, Flags for Fallen Heroes.



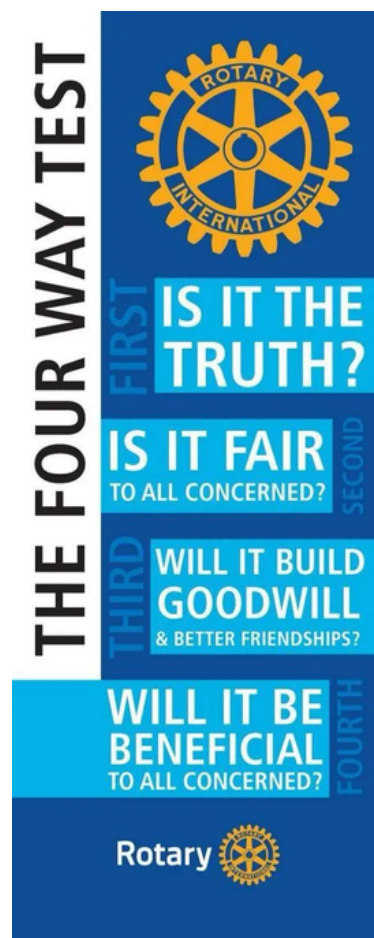
You've Been Missed

We warmly invite members who've been away to return to our Rotary family. We understand that life can be challenging, and we want you to know you're missed and always welcome. Our club is here to support you, and we look forward to having you back as we continue our work together.



Paul Harris Fellows

Erica Alderete PHF +1
Dwight Aston PHF +1
Tom English PHF +1
Robert Frater PHF +1
Richard Gruen PHF +1
Scott Lester PHF +1
Carrroll SSylvester PHF +1
Tony Allman PHF +2
Gahlen Carpenter PHF +2
Rosemary Vega PHF +3
Chad Greer PHF +4
Ervin Lehman PHF +6



Rotary News

- District Installation (6/14) at Hyatt Regency Baytown
Seats available at our table. See Erica for details
- RI Conference (6/21-25) Calgary, CA
<https://convention.rotary.org/en-us/>
- Check out the free District 5890 On-Line, Interactive Courses on Rotary Learning Center

Remember we are made up of volunteers so please be kind!



Youth Protection - Our Responsibility

As Rotarians, we have a collective responsibility to ensure the safety and well-being of young people in Rotary programs. With thousands of youth participating in Interact, Rotaract, and Youth Exchange, it's crucial that we provide a safe environment for them to learn and grow. Rotary's youth protection policies are designed to build trust and ensure every young person feels supported and secure in their involvement with our organization.

For the 2025-2026 Rotary year, our club will focus heavily on education as a strategy to enhance youth protection. We will prioritize training for all members on safeguarding practices, recognizing signs of abuse, and how to respond appropriately to concerns. This initiative will ensure everyone understands their role in creating a safe, respectful environment for youth participants.

Our educational efforts will include workshops, seminars, and resources that emphasize Rotary's youth protection policies. This will cover background checks, the "two-deep" leadership rule, and other vital safety protocols. By providing our members with the necessary tools and knowledge, we aim to foster a culture of accountability and vigilance within our club.

Youth protection is a core value of Rotary, reflecting our commitment to serving humanity. Through this focus on education, we aim to strengthen our ability to protect and nurture young people in our programs, ensuring they experience Rotary's values in a safe and supportive environment. It's not just our duty—it's our shared responsibility.

Service Above Self

ROTARY CLUB OF HOUSTON HEIGHTS	Weds, 12pm (Gen Mtg) 1st Weds, 6pm (Social, TBD)
https://portal.clubrunner.ca/3935/	General Meeting Location Sangerhalle 1701 Heights Blvd Houston, TX 77008