



Wheel of Fortune

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The St. Anthony Hotel

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The news, programs,

"50 Years of Art and Urban Revitalization---and Counting!"

**Paula Owen
President**

Southwest School of Art

Chair of the Day: Bob Braubach



Prior to assuming the presidency of the SSA in 1996, Ms. Owen served for 11 years as the executive director of the Visual Arts Center of Richmond, Virginia. She has significant professional experience in the fields of business and education, and began her career as a teacher. She holds an MFA from Virginia Commonwealth University, an MS in Art Education from Minnesota State University, and a BA in Art & Political Science from Luther College in Iowa. Ms. Owen has continued her professional education throughout her career in board leadership, museum management, and human resource

management, among related topics. She is a published arts writer, has served on many national boards and panels, and continues her work in the studio. She currently serves on the Board of Centro San Antonio as well as other civic organizations.

In her talk to the San Antonio Rotary Club, "50 Years of Art and Urban Revitalization—and Counting!," Ms. Owen will tell the story of the Southwest School of Art's remarkable growth as it prepares to celebrate its 50th Anniversary in 2015. In doing so, Ms. Owen will recount how an intrepid group of women worked together to preserve an important historic site—the former Ursuline Convent and Academy and thereby became a catalyst for further economic, cultural, and social revitalization in downtown San Antonio. Over the past 18 years of Owen's administration, the Southwest School of Art has also gained increasing recognition for the quality of its governance and operations, educational programming and facilities for all ages, outstanding exhibitions of contemporary art, the many distinguished professional artists who have been involved, and its continued preservation of the historic site.

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Meeting Information

Rotary meets every
Wednesday at 12:00
at the Bright Shawl,
819 Augusta (at
McCullough)

For membership
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222-8242, x11

That progress formed a firm foundation for the addition of a Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree Program in August of this year, making San Antonio the site of the only independent college of art in Texas. As a result, the SSA has much to celebrate in its anniversary year of 2015.

Enjoy the Holiday Lights on the River Walk!



We have a few seats left for the holiday social at Casa Rio's and the barge ride on the River. Perfect for the whole family. Have your kids ever seen the holiday lights? Start a new tradition!

Event Details:

Thursday, December 11, 2014

5:30 PM
Casa Rio
Free appetizers / cash bar

6:30 PM
Barge Ride

Cost: \$18 / Person

Contact the Rotary office to make your reservations: 222-8242, x11 or email assistant@rotarysa.org

Are you Going to the Holiday Luncheon? Make a Reservation Today!

Join us **Wednesday, December 17** for Rotary's annual holiday luncheon. This year we'll be holding the luncheon at the historic St. Anthony Hotel in the Anacacho Room. The St. Anthony was the first home of our club. We met in the Anacacho Room for 67 years. Come see the newly remodeled version!



Guest speaker:

Joe Straus
Speaker of the House
Texas House of Representatives

The Honorable Joe Straus has been Speaker of the Texas House since January 2009, elected to that post by his colleagues at the start of the last three legislative sessions. As Speaker, Joe Straus has set a tone of respectful leadership, empowering the

members of the Texas House to do what is right for their constituents and for the people of Texas.

Speaker Straus believes in a limited, efficient government that is accountable to taxpayers. He wants to expand opportunity for all Texans by promoting economic development, improving education, increasing budget transparency, and securing the resources and infrastructure needed for private-sector growth. He regularly encourages his colleagues to work together, across partisan and geographic divides, to provide thoughtful solutions to the most serious challenges facing the state.

In addition to serving as Speaker, he represents Texas House District 121, which includes the Bexar County communities of Alamo Heights, Olmos Park, Terrell Hills, and northeast San Antonio. Speaker Straus was first elected to the Texas House of Representatives in a special election in February 2005.

Details:

Wednesday, December 17

St. Anthony Hotel
Anacacho Room
300 E. Travis

11:00 – mimosas and fellowship

12:00 – plated luncheon

Free for those on the meal (but you still need a reservation!)

\$35 for exempt members and guests

Join us in promoting literacy and donate a children's book to the Mayor's Book Drive through SA2020. Bring a book to the luncheon (cash donations also accepted)

Sign up online: [Holiday Luncheon](#) or contact the Rotary office at 222-8242, x11. Deadline to sign up is Friday, December 12.

Congratulations!

We held club elections on December 3. Three current board members were selected by the membership to serve on the 2015-16 board of directors. Congratulations and thank you for your service!

Helen Loring Dear

Funerals: Funeral Director
Vice President
Porter Loring Mortuaries
Member since 2012

Paul Garro

Education: Administration
Principal
Central Catholic High School
Member since 2007

Barry Lacey

Employment: Executive Search Consultant
Executive President
Barry Lacey & Associates, LLC
Member since 2007

Happy Birthday!

Best wishes to all our members celebrating a birthday in December. Watch for your birthday card from President Gardner. Be a part of the birthday club and donate to our club's Foundation.

12- 1 Brodie Lowrey
12- 5 William Crow
12- 7 Stephen Smith
12-10 John Bouloubasis
12-10 Orvis Meador
12-11 Paul Foster
12-11 Karmin-Tia Greer
12-12 Jonathan Pina
12-13 Elizabeth Hetrick
12-13 Jay Moyer
12-14 Skip Cox
12-14 Bianca Maldonado
12-16 Frank Burney
12-16 Jackie Gorman
12-17 Andy Kerr
12-19 William Spalten
12-20 Linda Gaida
12-21 Bill Southwell
12-22 Jonathan Amato
12-23 Jack McGuire
12-23 KaRynn O'Connell
12-24 Sandy Lundgren
12-24 David Person
12-25 Katherine Davidson
12-28 Rhonda Calvert



Enjoy the Holiday Light Show and Help Kingdom for Kids!

Brian Strange has started a new holiday tradition at the Don Strange Ranch. This year you can enjoy a holiday light show featuring two million lights over a two mile stretch at the ranch.

Adding to the giving spirit of the season, Brian is offering a special deal on certain nights. **Not only do you get a discount on admission, \$5 of your ticket purchase will go to Kingdom for Kids!**

Those special days are December 1-3, December 8-10, December 15-17.

The light show runs from November 27 through January 3. Logon to www.sanantoniochristmaslightsfest.com for more information and to

purchase tickets. Download an informational flyer: [Holiday Lights](#)

Do Business with a Rotarian!



Pat Frost, Linda Gaida, Glenn Thomas, Suzanne Peterson,
Ryland Howard, Matt Badders, Lee Patterson
lgaida@frostbank.com

An advertisement for REATA Real Estate. On the left is the REATA logo, a stylized 'R' inside a circle with the text "REATA REAL ESTATE" below it. On the right, it says "DAVID BALLARD, CCIM" followed by a list of services: "• DO YOU HAVE LEASING QUESTIONS?", "• NEED A PROPERTY EVALUATION?", and "• NEED HELP MANAGING PROPERTY?". Below the list is the address "1100 NE LOOP 410, SUITE 400 SAN ANTONIO, TX 78209", phone number "210.841.3239", email "dballard@reatares.com", and website "REATAREALSTATE.COM".

David Ballard
dballard@reatares.com

An advertisement for TCT The Corporate Troubleshooter, LLC. The logo features "TCT" in large blue letters, with "The Corporate Troubleshooter, LLC" in smaller blue text and "Streamlining Operations Increasing Profitability" in even smaller blue text below. The services listed are "• Consulting", "• Training", and "• Business Coaching". Below these is the name "Linda Mariani, MBA, AIS", the phone number "210-316-5131", and the website "www.TheCT.net". At the bottom, it says "HUB/ESBE/SBE/WBE Certified".

Linda Mariani
lindam@thect.net

Reach 500 of the city's community and business leaders!

Ad space is available. Space is \$600 a year with ads running twice a month. Ad space can also be purchased monthly with ads running twice a month. Contact the Rotary office for more information: 222-8242, x12 or director@rotarysa.org

