

## Rotary guest bookish on life goals

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Mike Looney, author of the nationally acclaimed book, "Heroes Are Hard to Find," offered a few words of advice about not giving up on one's goals in life at Thursday's Rotary Club meeting at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church.

Looney spoke to Rotary members about learning to enjoy one's journey in life and the importance of not giving up and selling yourself short.

"I always encourage people to think outside the box and never limit themselves," Looney said. "I have been on my journey as a writer for the last 15 years. I originally wrote 'Heroes Are Hard to Find' as a movie script and after going through the pre-production stages twice, I finally pulled it altogether and reworked it into a novel."

Looney said that after many attempts to get the book published, he negotiated a publishing deal with a Baltimore-based company and the book was released by Publish America in 2004. During its initial release, the book was a best seller in the country, according to Looney.

Looney is a native of Arkansas and a 1971 graduate of Texas Tech. In addition to his literary career, he is also a long-time insurance broker and resides in Lakewood with his wife, Sandra, and three daughters, Sloan, Kate and CeCe.

"Heroes Are Hard to Find" is now in distribution online at [www.HeroesAreHardToFind.com](http://www.HeroesAreHardToFind.com) or through the local Barnes and Nobles Booksellers. For more information, call (214) 293-0355.