

Rotary Club of Arlington



Hubcap

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In this edition: Fred Bondurant, Fish Creek Cleanup Challenge, and more...

Remembering Fred

By Clete McAlister



WHEN SUSIE AND I JOINED ROTARY, WE LEARNED RIGHT AWAY THAT THE TABLE IN THE CORNER FARTHEST FROM THE PODIUM AND FROM THE DOOR WAS SOMETHING SPECIAL. It was where the World War II era guys (Emory, Zeke, Rusty, and Fred) sat. I am so glad I joined Rotary in time to know these amazing examples of how to live a good life. Now with Fred Bondurant's passing at age 98, a page of history has been turned. He was the last of the World War II veterans in our club.

My first impressions of Fred Bondurant were shaped by his dapper style, his firm handshake, and his friendly manner but there was much more. Fred was a graduate of Arlington High School and NTAC (UTA) before World War II, during which he earned the Bronze Star and other medals. After the war, he finished his college degree at Texas A&M and then with wife Marty, also a WWII European Theater veteran, settled in Arlington to raise a family and build a business. He saw his hometown grow from a population of about 3,000 to almost 400,000.

Faith and family were the most important things to Fred. He and Marty had six children, 27 grandchildren, and 22 great-grandchildren. One son, Rick, is a past president of

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THIS WEEK AT ROTARY

Teresa Nelson

"Support Our Soldiers"

COMING SOON

Jan. 30 Jean Sung HOPE Tutoring

Feb. 6 Rob Matwick **TEXAS RANGERS**

It Happened Last Thursday ...

By Cary F. Walker

THE WEEKLY MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 12:05 PM BY PRESIDENT TOM WARE. Mary Jean Moloney offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. We all sang "God Bless America". Tim Moloney welcomed guests and visiting Rotarians. Guests included Theresa Ross, Adrian Parr, Roman Herrington, Stacey Pierce and Keith Stanton. Will Ross and Adnan Bahar were our visiting Rotarians.

The following announcements were made:

(A) Sanford House will be hosting a special event on February 13, 2020. The seating will be limited so you need to be sure and make reservations.

(B) The Fish Creek Cleanup Challenge will be held on
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our club and another son, Barry, is a Rotarian in Mansfield. Barry told me that Fred considered Rotary to be his second family and he was very loyal to it.

Fred joined Rotary on June 29, 1950. He holds the club record for perfect attendance of more than 65 years. He served as president in 1955-56, was a Paul Harris Fellow plus 5, and was Distinguished Rotarian of the Year for 1987-88. Fred particularly loved our Webb Scholarship program which he asked his friends to donate to in lieu of flowers.

Fred Warren Bondurant, Jr. was among the greatest of the greatest generation and he will be deeply missed.

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January 25, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at 400 Cravens Park Drive. Volunteers are needed to participate in this very worthwhile event. Organizers are expecting between 300 and 400 volunteers. Go to cleanupchallenge.info to find out more about this event.

(C) In order to Support Our Soldiers we need for everyone to bring non-perishable items to our meeting on January 23, 2020. You need to bring protein bars, nuts, beef jerky and fruit gushers so that we can provide these to our men and women serving in the military.

(D) The Heart of Peace Concert, sponsored by The Rotary Clubs of Arlington Great Southwest, Fort Worth East and TCC South, will be held on February 15, 2020. The location is at the South Performing Arts Center at TCC South Campus. The address is 5301 Campus Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76119. To purchase or reserve tickets, call 817-531-3804 or 817-994-7575.

Susie McAlister announced Rotarians celebrating anniversaries. John Dancer is celebrating his seventh and Dick Moise is celebrating his second.

Kurt Bartley announced the program for this week. The program was "Design and Public Interest". The program was presented by Dr. Adrian Parr. Dr. Parr is the Dean of the College of Architecture, Planning and Public Affairs at The University of Texas at Arlington. She is a UNESCO Chair of Water and Human Settlements. Dr. Parr came to UTA from the University of Cincinnati where she held a joint appointment as a professor in architecture and interior design and political science. She also served as the director of the Taft Research Center which is dedicated to the advancement of the humanities and social sciences. Previously, she taught at the Savannah College of Art and Design. Dr. Parr is joined at UTA by her husband, Michael Zaretsky, who is Director of the Architectural Engineering Program in the College of

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BIRTHDAYS

Bob Cooke Birthday Fund

January 19 – January 25

January 19 Diane Patrick

January 22 Stuart Thomas

Our club has a tradition of writing birthday checks to the **Rotary Foundation** in the amount of the number years they are celebrating (or rounding it up a little higher if they chose). The gift sent to the **Rotary Foundation** goes into a pool that eventually funds our club grants and also earns you points toward your next Paul Harris pin. (Please note this is the **Rotary Foundation** not the Arlington Rotary Foundation. Thanks!)



Congratulations

Rotarians celebrating their club anniversary of "Service Above Self"

Victoria Farrar-Myers 5 Years Jan. 22, 2015



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Fred Bondurant brought some of his family to Rotary to celebrate the occasion of setting the Perfect Attendance record in October, 2017.

Photo by Clete McAlister



"I have decided to stick with love.
Hate is too great a burden to bear."
— Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



Dr. Adrian Parr gave an interesting program on water quality around the world. Photo by Clete McAlister

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Engineering. Additionally, Dr. Parr is an award winning filmmaker and has received over fifteen awards for her most recent film "The Intimate Realities of Water".

Dr. Parr discussed the inequity in the usage of water around the world. In sub saharan Africa water usage is 3.5 gallons per capita per day. In the European Union, usage is 50 gallons per capita per day and in the United State, it is 100 gallons per capita per day. On earth, 663 million people lack access to safe drinking water. Dr. Parr explained that 2 million tons of human waste is deposited in the earth's water each year. Forty percent of the growth in the world's population is in slums. In Nairobi alone, there are estimated to be between 800,000 and 2 million people living in slums. The slums create garbage, debris, and human waste that ends up being transported by water which leads to cholera, typhoid, and hepatitis. And in Nairobi the cost of water is 4 to 7 times what it costs in the United States.

Dr. Parr recently made a film Thirsty and Drowning in America. She discussed the content of the film, drought, flooding, and water contamination suffered by Native Americans from the water protectors at Standing Rock to the climate refugees of Isle de Charles, Louisiana and Shismaref, Alaska. The film give a voice to the untold stories of the water challenges Native American communities are facing, featuring heart-tugging conversations with community members.

Tom reminded that the program for January 23 is Teresa Nelson "Support Our Soldiers" and February 6 is our Texas Rangers Baseball meeting with Rob Matwick. Be sure to attend and bring a guest and potential member.

A book was donated to Webb Elementary school to honor Dr. Adrian Parr. The title of the book is "Kitten Construction Company".

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Advisor	Derrick Kinney

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Tom provided the following quote from Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.: “Love is the only force capable of transforming an enemy into a friend.”

Kris Landrith provided us with the last laugh.

Tom thanked the special guests and everyone else for coming. He then led us in the Four Way Test and we were adjourned. 🌟



RESCHEDULED

NEXT CLUB BOARD MEETING
Friday, January 24, 11:30 a.m.
Worthington Bank Conference Room

FISH CREEK CLEANUP CHALLENGE



Saturday, January 25,

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

300 Cravens Park
[Contact Nancy Blinn](#)



These are the items to buy and bring to this week's program: Support Our Soldiers.

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