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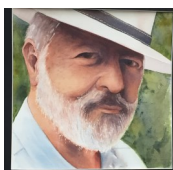
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In this edition: New member profile, proposed member David Dick, and more...

Tom's Thoughts

By Tom Ware



HERE IS AN UPDATE FROM GLORIA PENA ABOUT TOM WIGHTMAN:

Just wanted to let you all know I spoke with Tom's wife, Dot, this morning and got an update on some Rotary business and the state of Tom's health. He is doing much better than before and is in rehab most likely for the next 3 weeks, at a minimum.

The UTI diagnosis was an error and it turns out that Tom injured himself last October while repairing his plane (he is also a pilot). He did not do anything until his arm swelled and then sought medical attention from his physician. At that time he was put on antibiotics, but there was no follow up. The infection spread to his blood system and settled in his spine and did some heavy damage. He will most likely be on antibiotics for a long time and perhaps for a lifetime. His physical therapy will take awhile because he is unable to walk at this time due to the duration he was solely in bed. All in all, things are looking better.

Meanwhile, Tom is bored and restless and Dot feels visitors are good at this time to help his boredom (and make him stay!). His therapy is in the mornings, Dot has lunch with him after, so if you all would pass on to his Friday coffee morning buddies and other friends that he is at:

Texas Rehabilitation Hospital, Room 208
425 Alabama Ave (off W. Peter Smith)
Fort Worth, TX 76014

THIS WEEK AT ROTARY

Jean Sung "HOPE Tutoring"

COMING SOON

Feb. 20	Jeff Mosely	Texas Association of Business
Feb. 27	Arlington High Students	4 Way Speech Contest

It Happened Last Thursday ... By Jori Lindsay

THE WEEKLY MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 12:03 PM BY PRESIDENT TOM WARE. Dan Blumberg offered the invocation in Hebrew and in English. The club said the Pledge of Allegiance and sang "God Bless America". Josh Desse welcomed many visiting Rotarians and guests. Announcements: 1) Scholarships (??) 2) Arlington Charities and Maternal and Child Health are in need of hand sanitizer, tissues, and feminine products. Please bring to the meeting on February 13th. 3) UTA College of Business Department of Marketing has opportunities for hours in the Professional Selling Program. The contact phone number is 817-272-0264 and the contact is Dr. Larry Chonko at email:

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Get well cards can be sent to him at his home:

Tom Wightman
1101 San Juan Ct
Arlington, TX 76012

I'll keep you all updated as I get further info, or if you visit and learn more, you can share.

Gloria



Congratulations

Rotarians celebrating their club anniversary of "Service Above Self"

Gloria Pena	15 Years	Feb. 10, 2005
Sheila Haddad Nagy	1 Years	Feb. 14, 2019
Tanis Garrett	2 Year	Feb. 15, 2018



District Governor Peter Scott and President Tom Ware with Texas Rangers Vice President, Rob Matwick.

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Ichonko@exchangeuta.edu 4) The Sanford House event on Thursday, February 13, is sold out. Reminder that It is being held in the Renoir Room in the backyard starting with cocktails at 5:30pm and dinner at 6:30pm. The address is 506 N. Center, Arlington, Texas, 76011. Walter Virden lead the group in "Take Me Out to the Ballgame", a perfect song in prelude to our guest speaker Rob Matwick of the Texas Rangers. Susie McAlister announced the Rotarian anniversaries: Hugh Ross, 59-years, Fred Weekley 4- years; Randy Hendricks 1-year, Steve Kleiber 1-year. The club did not have any birthdays to celebrate. Our special guest speaker, Rob Matwick, was introduced by Susie McAlister. Rob is the Executive Vice President of the Ballpark Operations. He has been with the Rangers since June 2008. He is the primary liaison with the City of Arlington on the new Globe Life Field which is scheduled to open towards the end of March. Rob worked on the club's negotiation of a Master Agreement in 2016, which authorized the City to call a bond election in November of that year. He worked on the "Vote Yes!" campaign, which resulted in Arlington residents' approval. Additionally, Rob was recognized in 2001 by Major League Baseball with the Robert O. Fishel Award for Public Relations Excellence. He was inducted into the Texas Baseball Hall of Fame in 2005, and in 2012 was named MLB Professional of the Year by the National Center for Spectator Sports Safety and Security. The highlight of the program brought by Rob was a DRONE video of the Construction of Globe Life Park & Field presenting the latest developments of this magnificent new home to the Rangers. Rob spoke in detail about the many progressive improvements brought to this exceptional park such as the retractable pitching frame which raises and lowers at the mound and the five and a half acres of blue sky and natural light when the retractable roof is open. Impressively, the roof is constructed with 19 tons of steel and retracts on a north to south direction in 15 minutes. There are a myriad of group hospitality suites, a Home Plate Club, Dugout

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Members working on developing a strategy to obtain funding for the Honduras Clean Water project.

— Photo by Clete McAlister

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Lounge, Founder's Lounge, First Base Club, Legacy Suite, in addition to a conference room designed and intended for "Draft" purposes. The installation of the turf will be completed by February 17 and all the field and sports lights will be operational by the end of the month in addition to the final installation of the remaining field seats. The kitchen is complete and ready for cooking along with the locker rooms and the staff lockers. On February 24, the Ranger staff will transition their current offices to their new offices which offer a generous amount of natural light. Rob said that tours to Globe Life Park & Field will tentatively begin at the end of March. A very exciting event for the City of Arlington! President Tom Ware presented a book to Rob Matwick for his signature which will be donated to Webb Elementary school in his honor. The next meeting on February 13, will have Jean Sung speaking about Hope Tutoring; and, on February 20, Jeff Mosely, with Texas Association with Business, will be our special guest. Please send and prayers and best wishes to Tom Wightman in the hospital with a lower back infection, but improving after a second operation. Quote of the day: "Oh the places you'll go! There is fun to be done! There are points to be scored. There are games to be won." - Theodor Geisel The Last Laugh Joke was shared with the group by Kris Landrith. Sally Hopper recognized Tom Cravens and Joe Way for their donations. Following ☀ 4 Way Test the meeting was adjourned by Tom Ware.



"Great works are performed, not by strength, but by perseverance."

— Samuel Johnson

SAVE THE DATE MAY 29 & 30



PROPOSED MEMBER

David Dick

Finance - Financial Planning (Active)

Sponsor: Derrick Kinney

Mentor: Chad Bates



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CLUB OFFICERS

President	Tom Ware
President-elect	Susie McAlister
Past President	Mary Tom Curnutt
Secretary	Joan Church
Treasurer	James McCroskey
Sergeant-at-Arms	Steve Brooks

2019—2020 Club Directors

Membership	Kurt Bartley
Social Activities	Diane Patrick
Webb School	Joy Bates
Community Service	Victoria Farrar-Myers
Vocational Service	Brian Roberts
International Service	Scott Hendricks
Public Relations	April Pettitt
Scholarships	Tom Wightman
Youth Service	Gloria Pena
Fund Development	Dixon Holman
Rotary Foundation	Sally Hopper
Assistant Secretary	Mia Russo
Advisor	Val Gibson
Advisor	Derrick Kinney



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Meet new member

Gaddy Wells

Sponsored by Kurt Bartley



I have lived in Arlington for 22 years and in Tarrant County for 36 years. I have two daughters - a liver doctor and a nurse - and three grandchildren. I was in the Corps of Cadets and played football on a Southwest Conference Championship team at Texas A&M University. I served as a field artillery officer in the Army. I was a banker for 11 years in Dallas, Tokyo and Fort Worth. I have practiced law for 34 years with several law firms, as corporate counsel and as Anderson County Attorney. I am now semi-retired and practice part time with my former law firm in Dallas. I have been a member of Rotary Clubs in Palestine, Fort Worth and now Arlington. I have enjoyed getting to know members of the Arlington Rotary Club.

The photo was taken in November. I was in Washington to visit my neice, Ginger Wells Marshall. She is assistant general counsel for the General Services Administration. Her husband, Kirk Marshall, is Deputy Assistant to the President and Deputy Cabinet Secretary. Kirk arranged for us to eat in the Navy Mess in the White House, which is very exclusive for people working in the White House, and to tour the West Wing. We saw the Oval Office, Cabinet Room and other parts of the West Wing.

The photo was taken in the White House Press Room where the Press Secretary has press conferences. It is just outside of the West Wing.



BIRTHDAYS

Bob Cooke Birthday Fund
February 9 – February 15

February 10 Sal Capuli

February 10 Tom Cravens

February 11 Nancy Blinn

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!)



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