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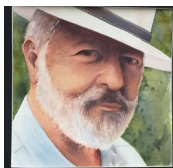
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In this edition: Club goals, upcoming great programs, Cardboard Boat Builders, and more...

Tom's Thoughts

By Tom Ware



WE HAVEN'T TOUCHED ON CLUB GOALS MUCH THIS YEAR, so it is probably time to update where we stand with the last third of the year on the horizon. The three items that we have classically looked at are:

Rotary Foundation donations, Polio Plus donations and Membership. So, let's cover those and a little more:

Rotary Foundation Annual Fund (plus EREY, Every Rotarian, Every Year) donations. Our goal is \$15,000 and we have raised \$11,862.01. This amounts to \$85.70 of our per capita goal of \$100.

Polio Plus donations are disappointing because we have only funded about \$500 of our \$5,000 goal. With polio almost eradicated for the last several years and The Gates Foundation joining the fight to finish it off, I believe Rotarians may have become complacent and no longer "feel the fight". Please realize the need to double our efforts to eliminate this disease and not move on before the finish line is reached. We will be having a Pass-the-Hat event when Mayor Williams speaks to us on March 5th. Please come in a generous mood!

Our Membership goal isn't as much about
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THIS WEEK AT ROTARY Arlington High School Students

"Four-Way Speech Contest"

COMING SOON

March 5 [Mayor Jeff Williams](#) *It's a Great Day
in Arlington*

March 12 [Marc Wolff](#) *National Medal of
Honor Museum*

It Happened Last Thursday ... By Carey F. Walker

THE WEEKLY MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 12:05 PM BY PRESIDENT TOM WARE. Dave Davis offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. We all sang "God Bless America". Tommy Thompson welcomed guests. Guests included Craig Ownby, Dan Fernandez and David Dick.

The following announcements were made:

(1) On March 21, 2020 the Arlington Historical Society will dedicate two memorials honoring fifty Arlington men who lost their lives during World War Two and North Texas Agriculture College's role in World War Two. Congressman Ron Wright and Mayor Jeff Williams will be some of the speakers at the dedication.

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numbers as it is quality so I'm not going to quote a number goal but issue a challenge. If you have a friend or business acquaintance that would make a good, high quality Rotarian, give them the opportunity to good things through our club! Talk to them about all we do and invite them to a meeting this week or in March. We have some very interesting meetings coming up that everyone will be wanting to attend. Bring them, WOW them and sign them up!

Paul Harris Fellows goal for this year was set at ten. We have thirteen! Two of those are yet to be presented, with Sally Hopper working to set dates with them. In case you don't know, you earn points along the way with certain donations and may have some that can be used toward the PHF donation of \$1,000. Our club also has points to match your dollar donation, so if you're ready, talk to Sally!

Tom Ware

President, 2019-20



BIRTHDAYS

Bob Cooke Birthday Fund
February 23 – February 29

February 23 Maggie Campbell

February 23 Amanda Sullins

February 28 Derrick Kinney

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.)

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(2) The next Rotary social event will be on March 29, 2020. The event is the Dallas Renegades football game at 5:00 p.m. Ticket prices are \$31.00.

(3) The annual Cardboard Regatta will be held in April. If you are interested in building a boat sponsored by our Rotary Club, please contact Victoria Farrar-Myers.

(4) The annual Rotary Golf Tournament will be held on June 12, 2020 at Tierra Verde Golf Course. Please contact John Dancer to help with this important fundraiser.

(5) Arlington West Rotary Club is hosting its First Annual Spring Fling Clay Shoot On Friday, March 20, 2020. The event will be held at Alpine Shooting Range. For more information, contact qrf.keenan@yahoo.com.

Kurt Bartley introduced our new member, Dave Dick. Dave's sponsor is Derrick Kinney and his mentor is Chad Bates. Dave is in the financial planning business. He has been married for thirty- two years, has three daughters and one grandson. Dave is a veteran having served in the Army and is a motorcycle enthusiast. Please make every effort to welcome Dave to our club.

Vera McKissic and Kathleen Smith led us in singing "Deep in the Heart of Texas".

Susie McAlister announced Rotarians celebrating anniversaries. Bob Griffin is celebrating fifty- seven years, Mojoy Haddad is celebrating twenty- five years, Sarah Knotts is celebrating twenty- five years, Ajay Sobti is celebrating twenty- seven years, and Grace Whetstone is celebrating two years.

Susie also announced Rotarians with birthdays. Andrew Piel's birthday is February 16, Grace Whetstone's birthday is February 20, and Georgie Zang's birthday is February 22. The Rotary Foundation received birthday checks from Maggie Campbell, Sheila Nagy and Derrick Kinney.

Michael Jacobsen announced the program for this week. The program was "Texas Association of Business". The program was presented by Jeff Moseley. Mr. Moseley has four decades of public and private sector experience, particularly in the transportation industry and economic development. Mr. Moseley is the Chief Executive Officer of the Texas Association of Business, the largest business association in Texas, representing over 2800 businesses,

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Congratulations

Rotarians celebrating their club anniversary of "Service Above Self."

Bryan Roberts 4 Years Feb. 25, 2016

Steve Brooks 6 Years Feb. 27, 2014

Fred Buehrer 6 Years Feb. 27, 2014

Tom Wightman 6 Years Feb. 27, 2014

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from major corporations to small startups. Mr. Mosley previously served on the Texas Transportation Commission, was President and Chief Executive Officer of the Greater Houston Partnership. Mr. Mosley's public service includes being elected to three terms as Denton County Judge and also served as a Justice of the Peace. Mr. Mosley is a sixth generation Texan and is married to Jackie Barret of Comanche, Texas and has two daughters.

Mr. Moseley gave a brief history of the Texas Association of Business, (TAB), by informing us that it was created in 1922 as the Texas State Manufacturers' Association. The name was changed in 1976 to TAB. In 1995 TAB and the Texas Chamber of Commerce merged. In 2019, TAB relocated its offices to a location in the Texas Capitol Building.

A purpose of TAB is to advocate, engage and compete. TAB acts as a voice for public policy. TAB advocates for business in Texas, reports success on its priorities and creates accountability. These results can be found in a publication called "The Scorecard".

TAB has a Political Action Committee, (PAC). TXBiz PAC is the largest business association PAC in Texas. An essential part of TAB's advocacy efforts is the contributions of investors to support candidates for the Texas Legislature that are Pro-Texas and Pro Business.

Members join TAB to encourage economic development. An example of how TAB encourages growth is by advocating for favorable laws in the Texas Tax Code. Chapter 312 and Chapter 313 allow for cities, counties and school districts to exercise local control in order to attract and maintain economic growth. Chapter 312 allows cities and counties to offer tax incentives and Chapter 313 allows school districts to limit appraised value on certain types of businesses.

TAB has a strong interest in educational opportunities for all Texans. In households earning more than \$200,000.00, 76% of the families has a college degree or higher. In households earning less than \$20,000.00, 70% of the families have a high school diploma or less. TAB supported Governor Abbott's all day Pre-Kindergarten programs for all Texas children.

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Our newest member, David Dick, is inducted. Derrick sponsored David and Chad is his mentor.



Jeff Moseley, CEO of the Texas Association of Business gives a great program.



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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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TAB supports policies that give incentives to business development and economic growth and oppose policies that impose hidden fees on businesses. Tab encourages fiscally responsible policies that attract business and that promote expansion and create jobs. TAB was a leader in opposing a City Ordinance telling businesses how to provide mandatory sick leave. This ordinance was being enacted by the city of Austin.

TAB is involved in dealing with Texas' infrastructure problems. A 2017 study found that commuters wasted nearly seven full working days in traffic. Proposals to alleviate these conditions call for private sector investment, managed lanes and utilizing real time technology.

Mr. Moseley is of the opinion that the two most dominant issues of the 2021 legislative session will be redistricting and public- school finance. Redistricting is an important issue because of how the house and Senate districts are drawn. Public school finance continues to be an issue in Texas due to how ad valorem taxes are used to fund school districts.

Tom reminded that the program for February 27 is Arlington High Students-4 Way Speech Contest. Be sure to attend and bring a guest and potential member. The month of February is "Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month".

A book was donated to Webb Elementary school to honor Jeff Moseley.

Tom provided the following quote from Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.: "We may have all come on different ships, but we're in the same boat now."

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. 🙏

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY!

Cardboard Boat Regatta Benefiting River Legacy

5 TO 7 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO
BUILD A CARDBOARD BOAT
DESIGNED BY CHRIS MCMURROUGH

The work group will meet 3 times before April 18.

Contact Victoria Farrar-Myers

As Soon As Possible



"Every job is a self portrait of the person who did it. Autograph your work with excellence."

— Vince Lombardi



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