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## *Victoria's Vignettes*



Have you ever wondered about the significance of the Rotary Pins? I saw a recent Facebook posting that told the story of the original Rotary lapel pin. It was designed and made by New York Rotary Club member John Frick on October 14, 1909, and worn by the club's first president, Bradford Bullock. In our club, we have Paul Harris Fellow and society pins, international theme pins, Rotary District Pins, Rotaract and Interact pins, the traditional Rotary wheel pin, and the Women of Rotary pin to name a few. Each of these pins, beyond being nice adornments to accessorize your outfit, tells a unique story about the member who wears them and the greater cause of which we have chosen to become a part. If you are anything like me though, you collect them and sometimes forget to wear them. However, for over 100 years Rotarians near and far have worn these pins knowing every time they fastened it on, they were walking not just with their club members but with members from across the globe. Wearing the Rotary pin outside of meetings days does more than provide publicity, a conversation starter, or notice to all that see that you are a member of Rotary. It is a symbol of your commitment to making your community and the world a better place. You silently are showing that you are a person committed to a cause greater than yourself. I happened to notice in a recent travel that there were a few sightings of the Rotary wheel. It bought a smile to my face knowing there were others out there who were working with me. I know next time I step out, I will remember to add the pin to my outfit. Won't you join me?

EACH ONE  
BRING ONE



*Victoria*

**President, 2022-23**

## THIS WEEK AT ROTARY

**Jonathan Ingols**

**Arlington Fire Assist. Chief Operations**

**MEET AT Simply Divune Cafe**

**2320 W. Park Row**

**COMING SOON**

Feb. **Fire Chief Don**  
2 **Crowson &**

**Police Chief Al Jones**

**Challenges Facing**  
**Public Safety**

## IT HAPPENED LAST THURSDAY

**BY CAREY F. WALKER**

The weekly meeting was called to order at 12:10 pm by President-Elect Barry Bondurant. Bill Daley offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Everyone sang a beautiful rendition of "God Bless America" with Kathleen Smith on piano. Hal Thurow introduced visiting Rotarians and guests. Visitors were Laurie Bianco, Carrie Schimpff, Samantha Bondurant, Bobby King, Adrian Bautista, Kate O'Donnell and Samantha Reich. Karina Cassell was our visiting Rotarian from Arlington Sunrise Rotary.

Announcements: Barry reminded us to utilize social media and check in using #ArlingtonRotary and #ArlingtonRotary100. Barry also informed us that

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## BOARD BITES

Our Club's Board met on Friday, January 20, 2023, and here are the primary items we discussed and actions that were taken:

- A financial task force is meeting to discuss future budgeting and financial planning for the Club.
- The Board approved recommended Bylaw changes, and the changes will be published in the Hubcap for Club approval.
- An amount of \$32,000 of the \$50,000 goal for the Centennial Sponsorship has been raised to date. Opportunities are still available.
- Planning for the Centennial Gala on June 10 continues to progress.
- New members continue to join the Club, and an online membership process is being developed.
- The Club is working with AISD officials and the principal at Webb to address additional funding needs for the Webb camp program, and work is being done through AISD to find a financial partner to help support this venture going forward.
- Mark your calendars for Thursday, Feb. 9 for an all-Club happy hour at Texas Live!. Members are encouraged to bring guests. It is at the Revolver Brewery from 5pm – 7pm.
- The Board was reminded to continue promoting the Minority Business Recognition program. The application is online. The recognition of the first recipient will be on February 16.

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next week's meeting will be held at Simply Divune restaurant. Past- President Kurt Bartley reminded us to save the date of June 10, 2023, for our club's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at the UTA Bluebonnet Ballroom. Kurt informed us that \$27,500 has been raised to date for the Centennial Celebration. Randy Hendricks let us know that the blood drive will be on February 2, 2023. Paul David Fulks provided our club with a volunteer opportunity at Arlington Baptist University for a brush clearing event.

Sally Hopper and Kurt Bartley made Paul Harris presentations to Al Clark, Sarah Knotts and Bonnie Harris. This is Al's plus 8 Paul Harris Award, Sarah's plus 3 and Bonnie's plus 7. This award was established in 1957 to encourage and show appreciation for substantial contributions to The Rotary Foundation. The award is named for the founder of Rotary, Paul Harris.

Sally Hopper announced Rotarians with anniversaries and birthdays. Celebrating a birthday is Diane Patrick. Rotarians with anniversaries are Dick Moise.

Vera McKissic and Kathleen Smith led us in singing "Take Me Out to the Ballgame".

Barry Bondurant announced the program for today. The program was presented by Clay Van Hook, the new head baseball coach at UTA. Clay was named the seventh head coach in the history of UTA baseball on July 1, 2022. Coach Van Hook served as an assistant coach for Oklahoma the previous five seasons. Coach Van Hook served as the hitting coach as well as the third base coach on game days. He was also instrumental in OU's recruiting efforts. Prior to coaching at OU, Coach Van Hook was an assistant coach at Rice University and at McNeese State University. Coach Van Hook's coaching career began at the University of Texas as a student coach. Coach Van Hook is from Brenham, Texas and began his collegiate baseball career at Navarro College. From there, Coach Van Hook continued his baseball career at the

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Al, Bonnie, and Sarah receive Paul Harris pins.

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University of Texas and was a member of the 2005 UT team which won the College World Series. Coach Van Hook was drafted by the Seattle Mariners in the 2007 MLB Draft.

Coach Van Hook described the baseball facilities at UTA as one of the finest in college baseball. The Clay Gould Ballpark originally opened in 1974 and has undergone several upgrades over the years to keep the complex amongst the best in college baseball. In 2015, the Mavericks opened a state-of-the-art clubhouse that gives UTA a new on-site home. The 6,000 square foot facility includes a players' clubhouse, an equipment and laundry room, a sports medicine training room and coaches' offices. Additionally, in 2013 the Justin D. Wilson Batting Facility was opened. The 5940 square foot facility contains batting cages, pitching mounds and can even allow for open practice when necessary.

Coach Van Hook mentioned that numerous Maverick baseball players have gone on to play professional baseball. Among the most well-known, is Hunter Pence. Hunter was drafted in 2004 by the Houston Astros and enjoyed a long career in MLB having won two World Series titles. Currently, UTA has eight players in professional baseball.

The UTA baseball team competes in the Western Athletic Conference (WAC). There are thirteen teams that compete in baseball in the WAC. Six of these teams are from Texas and the rest are from New Mexico, Utah, California, Arizona and Washington. Travel to these distant states can be a very time-consuming trip and takes these student-athletes away from their studies. Coach Van Hook mentioned that these athletes must perform in the classroom as well as on the ball field.

Barry presented a book to the Webb Library to honor Clay Van Hook.

Tom Ware "treated" us with the last laugh.

Barry informed us that next program will be on

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### BLOOD DRIVE

FEB 2

11AM TO 2:45



give blood, give life



### BIRTHDAYS

Bob Cooke Birthday Fund  
January 22 –28

**Jan 22** Stuart Thomas

**Jan 24** Paul Strong

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. Checks can be mailed to Sally Hopper, 3409 Viscount Drive, Arlington, TX 76016. (Please note this is the **Rotary Foundation** not the Arlington Rotary)

### CONGRATULATIONS!



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

**Victoria Farrar-Myers**      **8 Years**    **Jan. 22, 2015**



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## Proposed By-Laws Changes

The By-Laws Committee met Monday January 16, 2023 and the club board met January 19, 2023 proposing the following changes:

Article 4. Election and Terms of Office. Section 4. A vacancy on the Board or any office shall be filled by the remaining members of the Board.

**Change to: A vacancy on the Board or any office be filled by appointment of the President with approval by the Board.**

Section 5. A vacancy of any officer-elect position or director-elect position shall be filled by the remaining members of the Board-elect.

**CHANGE to: A vacancy of any officer-elect position or director-elect position shall be filled by the President-elect with approval of the Board-elect.**

Section 6: Directors: Foundation Chair 2 years term.

**CHANGE To No Term limit.**

Scholarship Chair 2 years term.

**CHANGE To No term limit**

Article 5. Duties of the Board

Section 3—President-elect. The president-elect shall prepare for their year in office and serve as a director.

**CHANGE: The president-elect shall prepare for their year in office and serve as Director, with responsibility for weekly meeting programs.**

The bylaws may be amended at any regular club meeting. Changing the club bylaws requires that written notice be sent to each member 10 days before the meeting, that a quorum be present for the vote, and that two-thirds of the votes support the change.

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January 26, 2023 at Simply Divune Cafe, 2230 Park Row in Pantego. The program will be Jonathan Ingols, Arlington Assistant Fire Chief of Operations.

The quote for this week: "We must learn to live together as brothers or perish together as fools". – Martin Luther King, Jr.

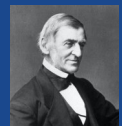
Barry reminded us that we are "People of Impact", so go make a difference this week!

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



**New UTA Baseball coach, Clay Van Hook, comes with an abundance of fresh ideas like making UT Arlington your "Hometown Team".**

“Don't be timid and squeamish about your actions. All life is an experiment. The more experiments you make the better.”



**Ralph Waldo Emerson**

