

# Rotary Club of Arlington



# Hubcap

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*In this edition: [Zoom Link](#), Ukraine aid, Peace Centers, and more...*

## Kurt's Korner

By Kurt Bartley



Two weeks ago, our club launched the [#supportpeace](#) project as an initiative to raise funds for emergency humanitarian aid to people affected by military conflict in Ukraine. The Rotary Club of Arlington is selling [#supportpeace](#) signs for \$20, with all proceeds being donated to support the Rotary Foundation Disaster Response Fund (each \$20 sign results in a \$20 donation to support humanitarian aid). Each sign measures 24x18 inches and is printed in double-sided color, perfect for displaying at your home or place of business! To buy your sign online, click on [#supportpeace](#), or purchase one at our meeting this Thursday.

Thank you again for your generosity and support for our two-week campaign: the **"Toothbrush Rush."** These items will benefit Dental Health Arlington where our very own, Nancy Blinn, is the Executive Director.

We have one more activity in our **"60 Day Sprint for Service."** It will be April 2<sup>nd</sup> (9am-12pm), volunteering with Miracle League (1901 W Randol Mill Rd). The Miracle League removes the barriers that keep children with mental and physical disabilities off the baseball field and lets them experience the joy of America's favorite pastime. Since the main barriers for these adults arise from the natural grass fields used in conventional leagues, Miracle League teams play on a custom-designed, rubberized turf field that accommodates

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## THIS WEEK AT ROTARY [Brent DeRaad](#)

### Convention and Visitors Bureau COMING SOON

March 31

Webb Principal  
Evelyn Navarro-  
Gaspar

[At Webb Elem.](#)  
[\(Camp Thurman\)](#)

## IT HAPPENED LAST THURSDAY

BY CAREY F. WALKER

President Kurt Bartley called the weekly meeting to order at 12:10 p.m. Chad Bates offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Everyone sang a beautiful rendition of "God Bless America" with Kathleen Smith on piano. Fred Buehrer introduced guests. Visiting were Sheri Quick, Mac Martin, Melanie McGee and Zachariah Reed.

Sally Hopper announced Rotarians with birthdays. Kurt Bartley, Chad Bates, Clyde Godfrey and Joyce Stanton are all celebrating birthdays this week. Rotarians celebrating anniversaries are Dan Blumberg and Pat Conner. Sally received birthday checks from Kurt, Chad and Joyce.

Chad Bates reminded us that in two weeks our meeting will be held at Webb Elementary and the 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will discuss their experiences from Camp Thurman. Derrick Kinney discussed our 60 days of service and our success in the efforts to restock the

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wheelchairs and other assertive devices while helping to prevent injuries. We need a STRONG showing of volunteers! Baseball games are on the hour. Show up 15 minutes early for each game to help volunteer.

*Kurt,*

**President 2021-22**



**Benjamin Harris is welcomed to the club by Mentor Derrick, Sponsor Randy, and President Kurt.**

## HELP WANTED

### JUDGES NEEDED

#### FOR REGIONAL 4-WAY SPEECH CONTESTS

Dates of Contests (all Saturday mornings):

March 26th Grapevine

April 2nd Decatur

April 9th Weatherford

Contact Lori Richardson Glovier information:

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## CONGRATULATIONS!



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

**Blake Kretz      7 Years    March 26, 2015**

**Jerry McCullough    13 Years    March 26, 2009**

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Arlington Life Shelter. Derrick presented us with a volunteer opportunity on April 2, 2022 at the Arlington Miracle League. The league plays its games at Randol Mill Park. Peter Scott encouraged us to support the Ukraine Relief Support Fund by purchasing a Support Peace sign for the small price of \$20.00. One hundred percent of the profits fund grants to be used by Rotary Clubs in Ukraine.

Walter Virden and Kathleen Smith led us in singing "Irish Eyes Are Smiling" in order to help celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Walter told us that St. Patrick was born in Britain and his first occupation was as a shepherd. He also informed us that blue was the color traditionally associated with St. Patrick. St. Patrick, as legend has it, drove all the snakes from Ireland. This is a myth.

We inducted one new member into our club today. Benjamin Harris, an attorney is the new member. He was sponsored by Randy Hendricks and is being mentored by Derrick Kinney. Randy Hendricks introduced Benjamin and presented him with a Rotary pin and a Red Badge. Please take time to welcome Benjamin Harris to our club.

Victoria Farrar-Myers introduced the program for today's meeting. Our own Dr. Jim C. Quick gave a presentation on Rotary Peace Centers & Fellowships. Dr. Quick is a member of our club and TRF Peace MGI Committee 2021-2022. Colonel Quick, USAF(Ret.), is a Distinguished University Professor and Professor Emeritus at UTA. He has authored over 130 publications in ten languages. His current book is *Ending Sexual Violence in College* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2021). Jim has research and teaching awards from UTA and the UT System well as the Legion of Merit (USAF) and The Legion of Merit Citation from Colgate University. He is a Fellow of the American Psychological Association. Jim and his wife, Sheri, both actively support TRF as Paul Harris Fellows, members of the Paul Harris Society, the Bequest Society and Major Donors (3). The Quicks made a commitment to support the Rotary Peace Centers for Peace & Conflict Prevention/Resolution.

Colonel Quick was stationed at Carswell Air Force Base for four years. Carswell was a Strategic Air Command base equipped with nuclear weapons targeting Russia. Colonel Quick emphasized that the nuclear weapons

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If you would not be forgotten, as soon as you are dead and rotten, either write things worth reading, or do things worth the writing . "



**Benjamin Franklin**



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were to be used as deterrents to a war with Russia. Their purpose was to prevent an engagement with Russia, an example of peace through strength.

Colonel Quick informed us that for fourteen consecutive years Rotary has been rated as a four- star charity and is known worldwide as a humanitarian organization. One of the goals of Rotary is preventing conflict by getting out in front of potential problem areas around the world. One way Rotary does this is through partnering with the Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP). IEP is an independent think tank and leader in the study of peace and conflict. IEP has identified eight factors that lead to positive peace:

- Low levels of corruption.
- Acceptance of rights of others.
- Free flow of information.
- Strong business environment.
- High levels of human capital.
- Equitable distribution of resources.
- Good relations with neighbors.
- Well-functioning government.

There are currently seven Rotary Peace Centers around the world. Their locations are the United States, Japan, England, Australia, Sweden, Thailand and Uganda. An eighth center is being developed to be placed in either Turkey or Egypt. Each year The Rotary Foundation awards up to 130 fully funded fellowships for dedicated leaders from around the world to study at one of our peace centers. The Foundation awards up to 50 fellowships for master's degrees and 80 certificate studies at premier universities. Accepted candidates study peace and development issues with research, informed teaching and a diverse student body. The programs last 15 to 24 months and include a two-to-three-month field study. Since the program began in 2002 the Rotary Peace Centers have trained more than 1,500 fellows who now work in over 115 countries. Many serve as leaders in governments, NGOs, education and research institutions, peacekeeping and law enforcement agencies, and international organizations like the United Nations and the World Bank. In order to be considered for a Rotary Peace Fellowship, applications must be submitted by May 15, 2022 for the 2023-24 academic year. The application must be sent to The Rotary Foundation.

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**#supportpeace**



### BIRTHDAYS

Bob Cooke Birthday Fund  
March 20 — March 26

**March 21 Bonnie Harris**

**March 21 Meg Wells**

**March 26 Marcelo Cavazos**

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 Foundation. Thanks!)



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### MISS LAST WEEK'S MEETING?

The recording of last week's Zoom meeting can be viewed for a limited time by clicking [HERE](#). Password is: 27v@8J^2



60 Day Sprint for Service chair, Derrick, thanks the club for helping with the Toothbrush Rush and the other projects.



Our Rotarian, Dr. Jim Quick delivers a fascinating presentation on Rotary Peace Centers.

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The Otto and Fran Walter Foundation provided Rotary with a \$15.5 million grant to establish a peace center in the Middle East/North Africa Region. It will be named for the donors. It is the second largest gift to the Rotary Foundation after the Gates Foundation gift for polio eradication.

Rotary has defined peace in the world as either being negative peace or positive peace. Negative peace is the absence of violence or fear of violence. Positive peace is the attitudes, institutions and structures that create and sustain peaceful societies.

Another area of focus of The Rotary Foundation is disease prevention and treatment. Rotarians believe that good health care is everyone's right. Yet 400 million people in the world cannot afford or don't have access to basic health care. The Rotary Foundation is changing the world by providing grants for projects and activities around the globe and in our own backyard. Rotary has provided \$65 million in grants to fight disease and the world has experienced a 99.9% reduction in polio cases since our program started in 1985. Rotary has worked with numerous partners to provide clean water, reduce HIV infection and ending polio.

Colonel Quick reminded us that the Rotary Presidential Conference will be held in Houston, Texas June 3-4, 2022. The conference will concentrate on Rotary's areas of focus and how each of them supports the eight pillars of positive peace. This conference is open to all Rotarians, Rotaractors, Rotary Peace Fellows and the wider Rotary peacebuilding community.

Victoria Farrar-Myers informed us that Brent DeRaad from the Arlington Convention and Visitors Bureau will present next week's program.

The club donated a book to the Webb Elementary School library to honor Colonel Quick and to thank him for his program.

Kris Landrith provided us with the last laugh.

The quote for this week: "The first responsibility of a leader is to define reality. The last is to say thank you. In between, the leader is a servant". – Max Depree

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

