

Rotary Club of Arlington



Hubcap

The Official Weekly Publication of the Rotary Club of Arlington

March 31, 2022

In this edition: [Zoom Link](#), Ukraine aid, Miracle League next Saturday, and more...

Kurt's Korner

By Kurt Bartley



Our Club Board met this past Friday for its March meeting. I would like to share with you some of the highlights from the meeting:

1. **REMINDER:** This week's club meeting on **March 31st** will be held at **Webb Elementary** library!

2. Our closing project for the **"60-Day Sprint for Service"** is this **Saturday, April 2nd**. We are volunteering with the Miracle League (1901 W Randol Mill Rd) to work with children who have mental and physical disabilities to experience the joy of America's favorite pastime (baseball). Volunteer one, two, or three hours. Show up 15 minutes early for each game to help volunteer.

3. The Webb Elementary eBook program, supported by an Arlington Rotary Foundation grant of \$12,000, far exceeded expectations and was very successful! Joy Bates will give a report at Thursday's meeting being held at Webb Elementary.

4. For your calendar, here are the dates for the remaining 2022-year Board meetings. They are held at Legacy Financial, 1205 W Abram:
April 22, 2022 ***4th Friday of the month
May 20, 2022
June 17, 2022- JOINT BOARD MEETING

5. Scott Hendricks has delivered the \$5,000 grant to the Norma Love Foundation for medical needs in Honduras.

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THIS WEEK AT ROTARY

Principal Evelyn Navarro-Gaspar

[Webb Elementary/Camp Thurman](#)

No meeting at the Church. Go to Webb.

IT HAPPENED LAST THURSDAY

BY MALCOM CHAKERY

Speaker: Brent DeRaad, President & CEO Arlington Convention & Visitors Bureau

Meeting called to order at 12:10 PM
Meeting adjourned at 1:00 PM
Prayer and Pledge by Mary Jean Moloney
"God Bless America" – Everyone – led by Vera McKissic

Visiting Rotarians by: Dr. Richard Urso
There were no visiting Rotarians

Guests by: Dr. Richard Urso
There were six guests in attendance

Vera McKissic led us in a song "My Bonnie Lies Over The Ocean"

Announcements:
Valerie Landry - GM of Restaurant 506 please vote.

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6. Our next Club social will be held on Thursday, April 7th at Theatre Arlington, with a performance of "Sister Act" the musical. The deadline for registration is March 31st, you can register at <https://arlingtonrotary.com/sitepage/remit-payment-for-special-events/remit-payment-for-club-dues-and-special-events>, cost is \$40 each, or \$15 if you are a theatre subscriber.

7. Our club currently has 144 active and 6 honorary members, with 18% of our membership being made up of red badge members.

8. Current Annual Club Goals:

Polio Plus - \$3,583.76 of our \$5,000 goal.

Annual Fund/EREY - \$21,803.00 of our \$17,500 goal!!!

Paul Harris: 20 out of our 10 goal

9. All Club members are invited to attend one or both of the following: District Assembly training (April 30th in Graham, TX) or the District Conference on June 24-26. These events are great ways to learn more about Rotary and its impact.

10. The Catering Committee continues its catering audition with Candle Light Inn for another two weeks in April. Your input and feedback is requested in order for the Committee arrive at a decision.

Kurt,

President 2021-22

**EACH ONE
BRING ONE**



HELP WANTED

JUDGES NEEDED

FOR REGIONAL 4-WAY SPEECH CONTESTS

Dates of Contests (all Saturday mornings):

April 2nd Decatur

April 9th Weatherford

Contact Lori Richardson Glovier information:
e-mail: loririchardson1@earthlink.net

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Joy Bates - Webb Elementary Meeting on March 31st. We will not be meeting at FUMC. David's BBQ

Derrick Kinney - A week from Saturday, April 2nd. We will be at the Miracle League for a great volunteer opportunity.

Paul Fulks - Regional Music Country Music Awards kick off Sunday morning and runs through Monday.

Dr. Richard Urso - Theatre Arlington has reopened and looks awesome

Birthdays this week - By Sally Hopper

March 21 Bonnie Harris

March 21 Meg Wells

March 26 Marcelo Cavazos

Anniversaries this week - By Sally Hopper

Blake Kretz 7 Years March 26, 2015

Jerry McCullough 13 Years March 26, 2009

Speaker: Brent DeRaad, President & CEO Arlington Convention & Visitors Bureau was our speaker on March 24, 2022

Brent DeRaad was hired as President & CEO of the Arlington Convention & Visitors Bureau in December 2021. DeRaad and the 25-member Arlington CVB staff are charged with marketing, promoting, and selling Arlington as a leisure, meetings, sports and events destination to



Brad DeRaad gave a comprehensive update on the Arlington CVB.

potential visitors throughout the world. With 14 million visitors annually and more than 7,000 hotel rooms, Arlington's tourism and hospitality industry

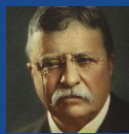
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“Do what you can, with what you have, where you are.”



Theodore Roosevelt



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employ 9,000 area residents. DeRaad came to Arlington from Tucson, Arizona, where he served as President & CEO of Visit Tucson for 10 years. He serves currently as board president of Destination Marketing Association of the West, a regional association with 150 destination marketing organization members, which focuses on industry education and research.

Wrestle Mania will be in town April 2nd - 3rd will bring 70,000 visitors to Arlington. Loews hotel is in the process of building out an 888 room addition with Convention Center space that will bring in large conferences in the very near future to the entertainment district. There is still room to bring office space and restaurants to the area. Great places to live are great places to visit which all play a part in bringing more opportunities to the City of Arlington. The Medal of Honor Museum ground breaking just occurred and that will bring visitors from all over the world.

ARLINGTON TOURISM ECONOMIC IMPACT

- 14.5 million annual visitors
- \$633 million in visitor spending to Arlington in 2020
- 9,100 visitor supported jobs
- 7,000 hotel rooms

GOALS FOR THE NEXT DECADE

- How we reach 20 million annual visitors.
- Conventions and world-class sports events.
- Building out “The District.”
- Economic development & quality of life.



CONGRATULATIONS!

Rotarians celebrating their club anniversary of “Service Above Self.”

James McCroskey 10 Years March 29, 2012

Stu Reichert 6 Years March 30, 2017

Joy Bates 6 Years March 31, 2016

Deborah Coppola 6 Years March 31, 2016



BIRTHDAYS

Bob Cooke Birthday Fund
March 27 — April 2

March 28 Bob Matasso

April 1 Tom Long

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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Let's Close Out our 60 Day Sprint for Service in the Best Possible Way!

Come Volunteer at MIRACLE LEAGUE This Saturday, April 2, 9 AM to Noon. Games each hour. 1901 W. Randol Mill Rd. (Randol Mill Park)

It is also a great way to support our hard-working Rotarian, Grace Whetstone.

