

In this edition: No Zoom Meeting, key appointment, past district governors, and more...

Victoria's Vignettes



On this most blessed week for many, I cannot help but think about the third prong of the Four-Way test, "Will it build goodwill and better friendships." Perhaps it is the season of renewal or the spring wildflowers that make me think about how at times we go through our days and forget to stop and celebrate the little things. We get caught up in our goals, what is screaming at us that day, or just trying to make it through the week. And then it hits me again. Each Thursday when I lead the club in the Four-Way test, I am uniquely situated to see the men and women of our club stating "Will it build goodwill and better friendships," and I am reminded anew why Rotary is more than just a club that I eat with every Thursday. Although the act of showing up and being present is so vital to our club, being able to witness what each of us does collectively to make our club so vibrant is a pledge we each took to uphold. While the act of telling someone about our club's story this year seems easier in some way -- after all, it is quite compelling to talk about our one-hundred years of existence or the impact the men and women over those one-hundred years have had on the most fundamental creation of our city and community. All one needs to do is look at the street signs in Arlington or the park system itself, and know that the efforts of members in our club lives on in the work that they did as a Rotarian. I am reminded also of the wonderful programs we have brought to this community to enhance literacy, to bring hope and aspiration to generations of students who thought a college, or a post-secondary degree was out of their reach, to our latest addition of a Rotary sculpture welcoming all to downtown Arlington and

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THIS WEEK AT ROTARY

Meet at Webb Webb Kids Camp Experiences **NOT AT THE CHURCH & No Zoom** COMING SOON

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| Apr 20 | Sharon Porter | River Legacy Foundation/Legacy Nature Center |
| Apr 27 | Dick Hill , | 40 Years on the Beat |

IT HAPPENED LAST THURSDAY BY RICHARD URSO

As we entered the meeting hall, Rotarians and their guests were warmly welcomed by Greeter Darius McCall (on his way from Red Badge to Blue) with an assist from Jock Bethune. President Victoria Farrar-Myers called the Rotary Club of Arlington's meeting to order at 12:04 p.m. She apologized for her voice as she was recovering from a bout of laryngitis. She hoped that she'd "still be croaking by the end of the meeting". Darius led us in a prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the singing of *God Bless America* with Kathleen Smith accompanying on the piano. Darius introduced visiting Rotarian Robert Blake and guests Theresa Crouch (a friend of LeeAnne Chenowith) and Leanne Haynes (a friend of Chris McMurrugh).

Victoria started the announcements by reminding us that tickets for the Centennial Celebration on June 10th can be purchased from Immediate Past-

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building upon our legacy of transforming downtown and, in turn, our city into a vibrant community.

We have been asked an even harder question this year and that is to define "what is next." Yes, we must mark who we are and what we have done. But our RI President challenged us to "imagine" and of course who best to do that then the oldest club in the American Dream City. Sounds good, but how does this work and what does this have to do with "Will it build goodwill and better friendships"? Well, if you think about it, each one of us regardless of position, profession, or role in our Club is vital to creating a vibrant community. The service hours we are asked to count each week by hitting the QR code is more than an act of accounting, it is an act of testament of each of us respectively taking on the Four-Way test challenge of "building goodwill and better friendships." Our service to our community for each of us may look very different. For some it may be focused on church programming, our non-profit work, giving back to a local school, cleaning up a creek, dropping off clothes after spring cleaning to a local charity, making the choice to buy a meal for a person obviously struggling, or a cup of coffee for a first responder you see in line at your local coffee shop. Each of these acts are what we are called to do, what we each attest we will as Rotarians do in our daily lives outside the meeting each week. It is important though as an organization to testify and pay witness to these acts throughout our community, not just for the obvious storytelling that answers the "why" when trying to recruit members. These acts are what make us Rotarians, what renews our pledge we took when we joined Rotary, to be a "person of action." So, be sure to testify and pay witness to what it is you do each week to build a better community from your corner of the world. While you might think "why bother" or my service is just part of what I do, or I just do not have time to write it down, remember the pledge you take each week. "Building Goodwill and Better Friendships" starts with the simplest acts each and every one of us takes on a daily basis, cumulatively though, and the testify of doing such, will define our club's future and is what Rotary's true promise and reason so many join its ranks, that together we can change the world.

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President Kurt Bartley today and during several upcoming meetings as well as on the club's website. Tickets are \$100. If you are interested in sponsoring the event please see Kurt for further details. Victoria thanked April Pettitt for the beautiful design on the emailed invitation and Clete McAlister (Victoria's 'Guardian Angel of the Week') for correcting a glitch in the first emailed invitation which prevented us from accessing the website directly. The second invitation email provided, in Victoria's words, a corrected 'clickable' link to the ClubRunner. Victoria also mentioned that the 'Sal Capuli Clipboard' is now online and we are in need of volunteers to greet and to lead the prayer and pledge for our upcoming meetings. Jock Bethune, President of the Arlington Senior Men's Club, announced that the group's next meeting will take place Tuesday, April 12th, 11:30a.m.-1:00 p.m. at Skillet & Grill and will feature guest speaker Jim Reeves, a sports writer who covered our local sports teams for half a century and worked for the Star-Telegram for over forty years. Information flyers about the event were on the tables. Jock said no RSVP is necessary, that there is no cost to attend and that all are welcome.

Val Gibson first noted that he was not asking for money as many do from our podium, but that he needs your photos for the archives. He specifically said that he was **not** looking for photos of Sally Hopper drinking a glass of wine, Tom Ware having a beer or Don Duke smoking a cigar (as he already had plenty of those). What he wants are pictures of us participating in Rotary-sponsored service projects, especially over the past twenty years. Please email these to Val.

Barry Bondurant also noted that he was not asking for money but announced that due to unforeseen personal issues Grace Whetstone will not be able to fulfill her duties on the board as Director of Fund Development. Accordingly, Barry is looking for someone who might be interested in stepping into her role. Anyone interested should see Barry for further information.

Joy Bates had two announcements. First, she reminded us that next week's meeting will take place at Webb Elementary School and will be catered by David's Barbeque. The children who attended the day camp we provided will read letters describing their experiences at the camp.

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P.S. If you want to send me an email of what you do for your service to our community, we will be sure you are counted! Let no QR stand in your way!

Victoria

President, 2022-23



MORE FUN!

5/18 Thursday---6pm—On Golden Pond at Theatre Arlington and pre-play reception with heavy hors d'oeuvres, wine and beer. 50 tickets reserved with cost TBD.

6/10 Saturday---Rotary Club of Arlington 100th Year Celebration— UTA Bluebonnet Ballroom—Cocktail attire --VIP Reception---5:30pm, dinner seating—6:30pm. Full table reservations currently being taken by Kurt Bartley--\$1250/table. Individual tickets--\$100. More info soon

6/29 Thursday—6:30pm--Installation of Officers—JGilligan's—casual—cost TBD



The grass may be greener on the other side, but it's harder to mow."

Tom Hoskins
Hoskilonians: 205



Need Help Registering for the Centennial Gala?

Members of the Board will be available at each club meeting to assist anyone with registration for the gala.

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Joy reiterated that parking at Webb is a problem and that there will be about twenty spaces saved for those of us needing to park close to the entrance. The remainder can park closer to Randol Mill in a lot shared with the hospital. Joy also noted that the Lisann Peters "Read with Rotary" is April 18th and 19th and that she needs to fill three more slots (Tuesday and Wednesday 12-1 p.m. and Wednesday 1-2 p.m.). Anyone interested should contact Joy.

Sarah Knotts spoke about the upcoming Rotary night at Theatre Arlington on May 18th. The evening will begin with a reception in the education building across the street from the theatre at 6 p.m. At 7:15 we will head over to the theatre to see 'On Golden Pond'. Tickets for both the reception and show are \$42 and will be available online starting Friday, April 7, 2023.

Victoria finished the announcements by reminding us to log our volunteer service hours. An easy way to do this is to take out our cell phones and use the QR Code shown at each meeting. She reminded us that it is important to log ALL your community service hours, not just those hours associated with Rotary-sponsored projects. This information is sent to Rotary International to meet our service goals for the year. She also mentioned sending any pictures to #ArlingtonRotary and #ArlingtonRotary100.

Randy Hendricks then came forward with a new member induction. He introduced Chris Church as our 20th new member this year. Chris' sponsor is his wife of 52 years, Joan, and his mentor is Sally Hopper. Chris served in the US Army and later worked as an IT Specialist for Lockheed Martin.

Next, Donna Mack led us in singing "My Favorite Things" accompanied by Katherine on the piano. The group did a nice job with the first and third verses, but had some problems with the second verse.



Sally Hopper recognized April Pettitt and Moji Haddad, who had birthdays this week. April was present via Zoom and we sang *Happy Birthday* to her. Sally recognized Kim Crawford, who has been a member of our club for 23 years, and celebrated her Rotary anniversary last week.

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RECOGNIZING THE PAST TO INSPIRE THE FUTURE

More About Club's District Governors

As mentioned in a previous article, The Rotary Club has provided 5 District Governors and one distinguished Rotary International Trustee. Besides E. H. Hereford these Club Rotarians have served:



Stone
Risinger
1983-84



Hugh Ross
1987-88



Don
Mebus
1994-95



Peter
Scott
2019-20

Stone Risinger, club president in 1980-81, was a longtime member who annually recited the Christmas Carol every year by memory.

Hugh Ross was also a longtime member and was one of the first recipients of an FFA hog to raise with a program that was sponsored by the Arlington Rotary Club. He was club president in 1967-68.

There is not enough room to go into all that third generation Don Mebus has contributed to our club and Rotary International as a Trustee to the International Board of Directors. In addition, Don has traveled the world giving speeches, serving on numerous committees and as an official aide to several International Presidents. We all know Don for his knowledge of Rotary, never ending energy and excitement, and most importantly as a friend to all of us in our club. He was club president in 1989-90.

Peter Scott served as club president in 2002-03. His service to our club is extensive as well as to District 5790. Peter was instrumental in establishing the Webb Scholarship. His involvement in our club's activities is never ending as is his overwhelming presence in our community. Never shy of words or energy Peter has inspired a great many of us Rotarians.

Val

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Sally remained at the podium and explained the thermometers shown on the screen. These thermometers represent four different areas of monetary support or service: Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY) Bob Cook Birthday Donations, Polio Donations, New Paul Harris Fellows Awarded and Club Service Hours. The mercury hit the top of each thermometer showing that we exceeded the target goal in all four of these areas. Sally was excited that this has been such a banner year for these four goals.

Barry then introduced our speaker for the day, who was none other than our own LeeAnne Chenowith. He prefaced this by saying that the presentation was "like a Classification Talk on steroids". He then



proceeded to read LeeAnne's very detailed bio which included not only information about LeeAnne and her musical pursuits, but also the importance of music and the arts. Barry enumerated on several points including how listening to classical music can help decrease stress and improve mood disorders such as depression and anxiety, how children learning how to play classical music can boost self-esteem and learn teamwork just like involvement in sports, and how those who study music in college have success in gaining admission to medical and law schools. Barry noted that LeeAnne's interest in music started at age 5 when she took both piano and violin lessons. She enjoyed 17 years in the violin section with the FW Symphony Orchestra which involved rehearsing daily from 10a-4p, multiple weekend performances and plenty of personal practice time. After her stint at the FWSO, LeeAnne became a free-lance musician enabling her the choice of where and when to perform and time to teach private lessons one day a week. This

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BIRTHDAYS

Bob Cooke Birthday Fund
April 9 – April 15

- April 9 Tommy Thompson**
- April 9 Gloria Pena**
- April 10 Hal Thurow**
- April 12 Emmett Rodriquez**
- April 14 Rigien Bagekany-Jackson**

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).

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also allowed her to pursue her passion of bringing classical music to the community through Timeless Concerts.

When LeeAnne took to the podium she noted that she retired from FWSO 15 years ago, but currently stays busy playing with the Waco Symphony, her own Timeless Concerts and bringing music to children by visiting schools and offering free tickets to concerts. She said Timeless Concerts helps school orchestras with equipment and other costs. LeeAnne encourages students to stay involved in music programs even if they are not going to pursue music as a profession and she encourages parents to get children interested in music and the arts. After showing a 6-minute video clip about Timeless Concerts, she introduced Sergio Cepeda (a wonderful tenor who performs at the concerts) and answered a few questions from the floor.

Dan Blumberg gave this week's Historical/Hysterical Minute and read from a Hubcap dated July 19, 1962.

Victoria reminded us that we will be at Webb Elementary and there will be no Zoom option. The April 20th meeting speaker will be Sharon Porter from the River Legacy Foundation. The Quote of the Week was "You can't step in the same river twice", Hoskilonians 662. We stood to say the 4-Way Test and the meeting was adjourned at 1:01pm.



CONGRATULATIONS!

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

Vera McKissic	9 Years	April 10, 2014
Ben Doscocil	38 Years	April 11, 1985
Esteban Blanco	7 Years	April 13, 2016

MISS LAST WEEK'S MEETING?

The recording of last week's Zoom meeting can be viewed by clicking [HERE](#).

Password is: **q++z.E7g**

Rotary District 5790 Club Leadership Training!

District Assembly

Saturday, April 15, 2023
First United Methodist Church
Denton, Texas

Cost \$25 (Reimbursed by the club)

[Click Here to Register](#)

[Click to View Agenda](#)

Any member may attend!



Chris Church, sponsored by Joan Church, increases the club count of couples to ten.



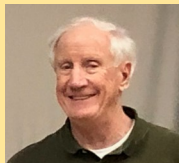
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Meet new member Chris Church

Sponsored by Joan Church



Chris Church is a retiree from Lockheed Martin where he worked in the IT department as a database administrator.

He has been married to Joan for 52 years and they have two grown children and two wonderful grandchildren.

He graduated in 1971 with a BS degree from Tulane University and in 1973 with an MS from George Washington University. He served in the US Army as an officer from 1971 to 1974.

He is active in his church and enjoys traveling and helping friends and non-profits with their computer problems.

RAFFLE ITEMS NEEDED FOR THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

EXAMPLES:

- Restaurant Gift Cards
- Entertainment Gift Cards
- Spa/Pampering Gift Certificates
- Beverage Items
- Pet Items - Doggie Day Camp, Grooming Cert /Items
- Garden Gift Basket
- Fitness - A gift certificate to any gym/ studio
- Golf Club round of four (4) golf certificate
- Game Day Tickets-Texas Rangers, Dallas Cowboys, MAVS, STARS
- Autographed Memorabilia
- Suites to an event
- Alcohol baskets or drink items



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Links to Learn

ArlingtonRotary.com
[Rotary Club of Arlington Facebook](#)
[Rotary District 5790](#)
[Rotary International](#)



Governor Abbott Appoints Kim Crawford To Texas State Board Of Public Accountancy

(Announcement from Governor Abbott's website)

Kimberly Crawford of Arlington is a partner at Sutton Frost Cary LLP. She is a member of the American Institute of CPAs, the Texas Society of CPAs, and the Fort Worth Chapter of TXCPA. Additionally, she is treasurer of the Arlington Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club of Arlington, and Women Inspiring Philanthropy, and a member of the Dean's Leadership Circle for The University of Texas at Arlington (UTA) College of Business and the Ladies' Auxiliary of Arlington. Crawford received a Bachelor of Science in Accounting and a Master of Science in Accounting from UTA.

District Conference Rotary District 5790

May 19-20, 2023

May 19, 2023 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM
May 20, 2023 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Crazy Water Hotel
401 N. Oak Ave
Mineral Wells, Texas

WORLD IMMUNIZATION WEEK
24-30 April 2023 endpolio.org | [#endpolio](https://twitter.com/endpolio)



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