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Victoria's Vignettes



Fitting with Rotary International theme this month of Youth Service, May 8th – 12th marks Teacher Appreciation Week. While I know our club takes every opportunity to thank the many teachers who serve our adopted Webb School kids, we also take time to thank the many staff and administrators who dedicate their lives to improving those of the next generation. Be sure when you are awarding the Rotary awards this month to thank all those who you come in contact with who have helped in the journey of these students.

If you think about it, all of us have been touched by “teachers” in our lives, both those with the formal title of such and those that might have taken an interest in us and opened up doors we may not even have seen or known to exist. We as Rotarians pledge each week to the Four-Way Test and to ensure all of our actions are “beneficial to all concerned.” So, without really being aware, we have also taken upon ourselves the attainment of goals that will improve our communities and the lives of the many millions around the world affected by the actions of our fellow Rotarians pledging to do the same. Whether it be to educating about and facilitating the eradication of polio, or ensuring we advance the Rotary International monthly focus areas, or pledging ourselves anew to the yearly theme, we are working coordinately to bring about lasting changes to our world. This calls upon us to think of others, and to advance goals that will improve the lives of who we may or may not know around the world without knowledge of perhaps the lasting impact we might have through our actions. This certainly

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THIS WEEK AT ROTARY

Juanita Hargrove
DFW National Cemetary

COMING SOON

May 18 At Simply Divune

May 25 [Trey Yelverton](#) City of Arlington
City Manager

IT HAPPENED LAST THURSDAY BY DEREK CARTER

President Victoria Farrar-Myers called the May 4, 2023 meeting of the Rotary Club of Arlington, Texas to order. President-Elect Barry Bondurant led the club in the pledge of allegiance and offered a prayer for a strong spirit of caring and community service.

Club Secretary Heather Kipker, director of our annual Arlington Heroes Run, announced that her father, Tarrant County Sheriff Bill Waybourn, will return as emcee for the Heroes Run on September 9, 2023.

It was announced that the club is in need an Arlington High School graduate to present Rotary awards at the school. Please let an officer or director of the club know if you qualify.

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sounds a lot like taking on the mission at the core of teaching. After all, we are making sure our actions serve as exemplars for others, are aimed at the betterment of another's path, and in a manner that serves them and their futures. What an amazing gift we can give to our fellow communities and the world touched by the actions of dedicated Rotarians to teach the world about a better future. It is in each of our hands as Rotarians to contribute in this way. May you remember this the next time you take upon a cause, program, or service opportunity. You are teaching those around you that Rotarians truly are dedicated not just to the ideal of "beneficial to all concerned," but to the potential our actions have in empowering others to carry on the mission of creating a better world for generations to come.

Victoria
President, 2022-23



Fort Worth Star-Telegram columnist Bud Kennedy gives us his take on local politics and how the paper decides endorsements.

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Let us all continue to search for minority businesses to support.

Our club's upcoming Centennial Celebration needs donations. Its organizers suggest gift cards, tickets, hotel stays and spa packages.

On May 18, 2023 the club will attend a production of the play "On Golden Pond" at Theater Arlington. Wine, beer and hors d'oeuvres will be served before the play. Sign up for tickets on the club's website.

The club's coffee mug donations will be delivered to the Arlington Life Shelter.

Past Club President and Past District Governor Don Mebus presented a Rotary International Minute, recalling when Rotary International committed to "End Polio Now." When the program began several decades ago there were millions of new cases of polio worldwide each year. Today there are less than a dozen each year and they are usually restricted to two countries: Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Randy Hendricks announced badge upgrades. He proudly presented blue badges to Cindy Salter, Bill Daley and Lori Bianco.

Rotarians celebrating birthdays last week:

May 1 Benjamin Harris

May 2 Brett Hall

May 3 Keith Kallie

May 5 Joy Nunn

It was announced that Sam Scott has been a Rotarian for 38 years, having joined the club on May 1, 1985.

Barry Bondurant introduced our program, Bud Kennedy of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. Bud spoke on local elections. He noted that there have been very low turnouts for all of the area's local elections. Civic engagement is also very low in Arlington. He noted that Fox 4 news is the number one website in Dallas-Ft. Worth for local news.

Victoria Farrar-Myers announced Juanita Hargrove as our guest speaker on May 11. She also noted that the club **will not meet at the church** for its May 18, 2023 meeting. Instead, we will meet at

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On Golden POND

Rotary at the Theatre, **Thursday, May 18** at Theatre Arlington with a private reception for us in the theatre boardroom at **316 West Main Street**. Reception begins **at 6:00PM**, then at 7:15 we will cross the street to the theater.

[Click here to purchase tickets.](#)

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Simply Divune Café at 2230 West Park Row in Pantego.

MISS LAST WEEK'S MEETING?
The recording of last week's Zoom meeting can be viewed by Clicking [HERE](#). Password is: ?Gj2+@gL



Don Mebus holds the silver plate received from Taxco, Mexico in appreciation of the refurbished ambulance and fire truck we gave them. This was part Don's short history of our participation in international service. Taxco is Mexico's silver capital.

MAY IS YOUTH SERVICE MONTH

SIGN UP FOR SCHOOL AWARDS
Jill Regina needs help with school awards, especially on May 17, 18 and 22.
Email Jill at mrmreg@sbcglobal.net or text her at (817)909-1937 to sign up.

Links to Learn

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

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.

“ Find a group of people who challenge and inspire you, spend a lot of time with them, and it will change your life forever.”

Amy Poehler Rotary Club of Arlington

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Nancy Blinn accepts the Sally Kallam Award for alumni service to Leadership Arlington.



Cindy Salter, Laurie Bianco, and Bill Daley receive Blue Badges.



BIRTHDAYS

Bob Cooke Birthday Fund
May 7 – May 13

- May 7** Diego Pena
- May 8** Laurie Bianco
- May 10** Michael Jacobson
- May 11** Holly Hattendorf

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!)

BOARD MEETING
OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF ARLINGTON
Thursday, May 18 at 1:00 pm
at Simply Divune
2230 W Park Row Dr
Pantego, TX 76013
Any club member may attend.



CONGRATULATIONS!

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

Ify Uzomah	4 Years	May 2, 2019
Jill Regina	7 Years	May 5, 2016
Jeff Williams	23 Years	May 11, 2011

Centennial Celebration Raffle Items Needed

Gift Certificates
Restaurants
Movies
Museums

Sports Tickets
or
Memorabilia

Hotel Stays

Spa Packages

Nothing is too small!

Contact Grace Whetstone at gmw9902@gmail.com



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Heather Kipker announces the Arlington Heroes Run will restart this year on September 9. Sheriff Bill Waybourn (Heather's father) will emcee the awards ceremony.



Paul receives award from Arlington Baptist University for his support of Top O' Hill and for his successful benefit fundraiser.



Jim and Sheri Quick surprise sister-in-law with a Paul Harris fellowship.



LEBANON'S ROTARY CLUBS UNITE A DIVIDED NATION AROUND A WATER PROJECT

[A global grant-funded project has brought clean drinking water to nearly every school in Lebanon](#) (Click to learn more).

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 for \$44 per person.

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 — J. Gilligan's—casual—cost is \$15 per person.

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Additional Congratulatory Letters from Rotary Officials on the Occasion of the Centennial of the Rotary Club of Arlington

Members of The Rotary Club of Arlington, Texas,
Congratulations on reaching 100 years old. It isn't just about the time or about survival for so long. It is about the amazing number of people whom you have helped over that time. You have touched so many lives to give them hope and to allow them to know they have support and can attain a comfortable life. It is that contribution to our world that makes you special.

And now you are partnering with the city to establish "The Rotary Dream Park". That will be an icon which the community will see on a regular basis and remind them that The Rotary Club of Arlington is there to help the community any way they can. To be able to have it in front of the community at all times enables greater support so you can do even more as a Rotary Club.

Thank you for all that you have done, all that you do and all that you will do.

Clearly you have been Imagining Rotary and will continue to Create Hope in The World.

Thank you.

Barry Rassin

Chair of The Rotary Foundation 2023-24

CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE TO THE ROTARY CLUB OF ARLINGTON

News of the centenary celebrations of your club has reached me, and I believe others, with great excitement. I am sure Rotarians are proud that such a mega club as yours has rendered humanitarian service to your community for a century and is still waxing strong.

Rotary International draws its strength, reputation and success from old clubs like yours. And, as though you have not done enough for your community, you are capping your achievements by establishing a Rotary Dream Park in partnership with the City of Arlington.

Sincere congratulations for reaching this milestone and I wish you many more successful years in Rotary service for making this wonderful world a better place.

Jonathan B Majiyagbe



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