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In this edition: Zoom Link, Arlington Rotary Foundation facts and figures, and more...

Victoria's Vignettes



Welcome to the beginning of our Rotary year where the first female RI President Jennifer Jones has asked us to "Imagine" a world made better by the actions of each of us seeking to engage more with each other and using our collective action to seek changes in our community and our world. In this, our Club's Centennial year, I asked each of you at the Installation Dinner to pledge 100 minutes to serving Rotary and our community through the next twelve months. Together we began our first service project with each of you taking the bluebonnet seeds I provided and finding a place in Arlington to plant them to enhance the beauty of our community. Already many of you have reported you have planted your seeds. I look forward to seeing 100 bluebonnets bloom this coming spring.

In the meanwhile, as we prepare to celebrate our own Centennial, I want to ask each of you to take a moment and imagine what other impacts you would like our Club to have on our community. What contribution do you want to make through our Club's many activities? We are "People of Action", and so this year we want to dedicate our efforts to not just imagining what positive changes we can make but putting those dreams into action. Together, I have no doubt that we will plant the seeds this year for the amazing next one hundred years that awaits us and generations of Arlingtonians to come.

We must, though, take time to support one another, to shout out the amazing service we see in our fellow members, and to aim to build strong connections beyond our Thursday lunches. In that

### This Week at Rotary

### **Dr. Jennifer Cowley UTA and its Future**

## COMING SOON

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### **IT HAPPENED LAST THURSDAY**

BY LYNN STAVINOHA

The Rotary meeting of the last day of June, 2022 was also the last 'official' meeting of President Kurt Bartley. President Kurt promptly called the meeting to order at 12:05pm.

President Kurt invited Joe Carpenter forward to lead us in prayer, the pledge and in the singing of God Bless America. Kathleen Smith accompanied us in our singing of God Bless America.

Our greeter for the week was Benjamin Harris. Benjamin is working on replacing his red badge with a blue badge. And if this reporter was a color announcer for a major league sports team, she would include the fact that Benjamin was sporting a very appropriate and colorful bow tie to

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vein, I would like to give the first shout out to all our members who donated blood last Thursday and to the intrepid Kay King who has shepherded the planning of these events each January and June for two decades.

Victoria

#### President, 2022-23





The Arlington Community Band takes a bow after a wonderful performance. You can listen again by clicking on the "Missed Last Meeting? " link on page 4.

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Scott Hendricks gives a thorough briefing on the Arlington Rotary Foundation. Scott's slides can be seen by clicking the image on page 3. (Last Thursday, Continued from page 1)

commemorate the upcoming Fourth of July holiday. It was red, white and blue and looked like a proudly flying American flag.

We had no visiting Rotarians but several visitors. Lila Reyes was introduced as a second-year law student from Baylor Law. She is interning at the Landrith firm this summer. Vera McKissick had one of her granddaughters, Lauren as her guest. Tom Long had his wife, Pat, a TCC professor as his visitor. And President Kurt had his wife, Catherine, present not only to 'celebrate' his last official meeting but to also celebrate their thirty second year of marriage!

President Kurt asked Sally Hooper to come forward so that we could celebrate birthday for the week: Past president Susie McAlister celebrated her birthday on the 26<sup>th</sup> of June. Sally also recognized and honored those members celebrating anniversaries as Rotarians- Walter Virden for 24 years of service and Jim Quick for 35 years of service (and that many years with perfect attendance!)

President Kurt recognized the President of the Arlington Rotary Foundation, Scott Hendricks. It is my thought that the slides Scott used in his presentation will be included in this Hubcap or a future addition of a Hubcap; therefore, I will not be redundant. The Arlington Rotary Foundation has been very busy with continued financial support of our Club operation budget, the Norma Love Honduras projects, Webb Elementary Scholarships, reading programs- books for student/e-books, 50 paid scholarships for Webb students and including the two Arlington High Senior scholarships-- just to name a few projects. The Arlington Rotary Foundation also is funding the centennial gift which we, the Rotary Club, will present to the City. All of these accomplishments were greeted with a round of applause from the Rotarians present- these are OUR projects and accomplishments of OUR Club made possible by the foresight and generosity of our Club through many years of planning and

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ARLINGTON ROTARY CLUB FOUNDATION ANNUAL REPORT (2021-2022)

Click this image to see the slides of the report.



Rotarians McAlister and Moise at Light Up Arlington.



Paul Fulks and Clete at Light Up Arlington.

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giving so that we, the Arlington Rotary Club has a Foundation (of our own- the Arlington Rotary Foundation) to provide financial assistance to make the projects happen. Scott stated that he will remain on Board of Directors for the Foundation. The new leadership for 2022-23 will be: Gloria Pena, President; Chris McMurrough, Vice President; Sally Hooper, Secretary; Walter Virden, Treasurer and Tommy Thompson, Scholarship Chair. The additional members of the Board are: Val Gibson, Joyce Stanton, Joe Way, Tom Ware, Jill Regina, and Rick Jenkins. Also serving on the board are Club President for 2022-23, Victoria Farrar-Myers, past President, Kurt Bartley and incoming president, Barry Bondurant.

President Kurt called forward Victoria Farrar-Myers so that she could introduce our 'program' for the week- The Arlington Community Band. What a gem we have in Arlington! Over 45 men and women came to honor America and provide us with a wonderful musical program. (I could not count every member of the band). The Band was led by their director Rick Baker. I cannot speak for every Rotarian present but I will speak for myselfthis presentation of songs kick-started my Fourth of July weekend and made we so proud to be an American in Arlington, Texas. A very special part of the music program was the Armed Forces Salute - a medley of songs for each branch of the military. By this reporter's count- the following Rotarians stood to be honored- five members of the Army, 1 Marine, 2 members of the Air Force and 2 members of the Navy. Thank you, Rotarians for your service to our country- truly service above self.

President Kurt presented the Arlington Community Band with the book "Night time Symphony" which will be placed in the Webb Elementary library in the name of the Band and ask that as many members from the band as possible sign the book.

The last laugh was given by President Kurt- a quote

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The best way to predict your future is to create it."



Abraham Lincoln Rotary



Melody Fowler riding in the July 4th Parade.



### **BIRTHDAYS**

Bob Cooke Birthday Fund July 3 — July 9

- July 7 Graham Schadt
- July 9 Fred Buehrer
- July 9 Peter Scott

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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from Sasquatch- "Believe in yourself, even when no one else will."

With that President Kurt led us in the Four Way Test. He rang the bell and officially became, past President Kurt Bartley.

So, until next time, this is the way it was.

### MISS LAST WEEK'S MEETING?

The recording of last week's Zoom meeting can be viewed for a limited time by clicking <u>Here</u>. Passcode is: 9@TG5PxN



Scan code with your phone or click this link: <u>ArlingtonRotary.com</u>

## **BOARD MEETING**

OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF ARLINGTON Friday, July 15 at 11:30 am Legacy Financial 1205 W. Abram St.

Any club member may attend.



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