

Rotary Club of Arlington



Hubcap

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In this edition: [Zoom Link](#), education and club history, UTA Track program, and more...

Victoria's Vignettes



Ask most Rotarians why they are drawn to join, you usually hear something like "service above self" or being a "person of action". Together, we are drawn to the notion that through our individual and collective actions we can make change right in our own communities while contributing dollars to affecting change all over the world; a powerful charge that requires each club to find their own way of making their own mark. Our Club contributes in so many ways, but the question is how we can conduct community service in a collective manner where we strengthen the bonds between members all the while moving the needle on an important cause. In this 100th Anniversary year, each Rotarian in our club has been challenged to give a minimum of 100 minutes of service. In order to join the "100 Minutes of Service Campaign!", collectively we must select projects that create immediate impact, but also allow us to make the lasting effect we so desire to see in our city. In visiting with our Board and Community Services Director, we are choosing to provide a calendar of opportunities. The calendar will be populated by some traditional projects we have done along with ideas generated by the many Non-Profit Executive Directors in our club who we have asked to provide service opportunities, whether "done in a day" or for those that want to work together ongoing opportunities in a campaign we have entitled "Supporting our own who support our community." We want to also encourage other club members to announce opportunities at our meetings or alternatively provide the dates in advance so we can send out to our members and make a part of our weekly slide show. Feel free to

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THIS WEEK AT ROTARY

Centennial Celebration Update and Board/Committee Signup

COMING SOON

(Click any underlined Text to Learn More)

Sept. 22	Rob Shulz	Greyhounds of the Sea
Sept. 29	Ashley White	Safehaven

IT HAPPENED LAST THURSDAY BY LEEANNE CHENOWETH LAWSON

President Victoria Farrar-Meyers opened the meeting with the sad news that Tom Long has suffered a stroke, and is in Arlington Memorial. Please pray for him and his family.

Benjamin Harris led us in prayer and the pledge of allegiance. We then sang God Bless America.

Other announcements:

Arlington Field of Honor needs help taking down flags on Monday the 12th, starting 9 am throughout the day.

Miracle League baseball needs volunteers! Season starts on the 24th.

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send me dates each month so we can broadcast opportunities on all our media channels. Additionally, for this week's Club Interest Fair, bring your ideas to place on the master calendar to get us started. Think of the old adage, many hands make light work and together though we can create something even greater ... lasting friendships and bonds with our fellow Club members.

So, this Thursday, bring your ideas, think of your niche and where you want to be planted to grow in our Club, and be ready to hear about our exciting Centennial Celebration that will take all of us to make happen. You do not want to miss any of it!

Also remember, Red Badges in particular, but all others are always welcome to attend our Club's Board meeting this coming Friday, September 16th from 11:30-1 at Legacy Financial on 1205 West Abram Street.

Victoria

President, 2022-23

EACH ONE
BRING ONE



Donna Mack and Wella lead the group in song.
Photo by Randall D Hendricks

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Veterans are invited to start a veterans committee within our club. Contact Col. Jim Quick.

Classification talks have resumed. Today, our two featured speakers were Joe Carpenter and Holly Potter-Harvey. Mr. Carpenter is the visiting assistant archivist/oral historian at Texas Tech. He spoke about the Vietnam Oral History project, and a new building being constructed, housing Vietnam War history at Texas Tech. Ms. Potter-Harvey works for the 360 Destination Group, www.360dg.com where she is an account executive, primarily working in Tarrant County.

Donna Mack then led us singing the song "Getting to Know You", (from the musical The King and I) which was most appropriate after classification talks!

There are many birthdays this week!

Sept. 4: Brent DeRaad and Lynn Stavinoha

Sept. 6: Donna Mack and Wally Berndt

Sept. 8: Malcom Chakery

Sept. 9: Tom Ware

Sept. 10: Jim Fulgham and Stu Reichert

President-elect Barry introduced today's program speaker John Sauerhag, UTA track coach.

UT Arlington alumnus John Sauerhage has led Mavericks' teams to 33 conference championships during his coaching career, the most by any coach in any sport in school history. Sauerhage, who took over the men's and women's track and field and cross country programs in 1996, has also been recognized as his conference coach of the year an athletic department-record 33 times. Sauerhage comes off an incredible 2022 season which came off his men's track and field program being named the best in the nation in 2021-22 at a D-I institution that does not sponsor football as UTA claimed the NCAA Division I-AAA Athletics Directors Association (DI-AAA ADA) trophy thanks to finishing in a tie for 25th at the NCAA Outdoor Championships in Eugene, Ore. It marked the second-straight year that UTA has finished atop a DI-AAA ADA All-Sports

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RECOGNIZING THE PAST TO INSPIRE THE FUTURE

Rotary Club of Arlington and the September Rotary International Focus on Education

Each year beginning at least since 1990 (exact records unavailable) the Rotary Club of Arlington facilitates the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) as a district wide program. Local high school students are selected through an in person interview process to attend this week long leadership camp. Currently the sessions are held at North Texas University. This program continues today with our Club sponsoring four students selected to attend along with other students across the district. Perhaps a future president of our Rotary Club will come from this educational opportunity.

Literacy continues to be a silent challenge for millions of adults worldwide. In the early 2000's our Club initiated a literacy program for adults. This effort was not an English as a Second Language class but actually teaching an individual to read and write. Past President Bob Griffin initiated and facilitated this program in conjunction with the Arlington Public Library and First United Methodist Church. Many members of the Club volunteered their time in countless hours as instructors. Eventually this program was adopted and taken over by the Arlington Library system.

Is It The Truth and so on.. The Four Way speech contest has been an annual event for our Rotary Club since who knows when. Arlington High School speech students compete in giving a speech before the Club reflective of the Four Way Test. Selected members judge and our Club compensates the winners monetarily based on first, second, and third place finishes. In addition the first place winner goes on to compete in the District wide competition.

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Standing in track and field as in 2020-21 the Mavs claimed the honor for men's indoor track and field. At the NCAA Championships, UTA had three individuals reach the podium – its most since 1996 – as the 13 total points accumulated also was the most for the program in 26 years. Lucas Van Klaveren (4th place, decathlon), Arthur Petersen (6th place, javelin) and Bryson DeBerry (6th place, high jump) led the charge for the Mavs.

Petersen, DeBerry and Van Klaveren all went on to earn First Team All-American honors, while Joel Bengtsson – who also reached the NCAA Championships – garnered Second Team All-American accolades in the 110-meter hurdles. A total of 10 All-Americans were named during the outdoor season while three took home second team honors in the indoor season in DeBerry, Van Klaveren, and Jade Bontke.

Later that month, Iyana Gray took home a silver medal in the 4x100 relay at the U20 World Championships in Cali, Colombia. Anchoring the third leg, Gray and teammates Jayla Jamison, Autumn Wilson, and Swanti Jackson ran a time of 43.28, setting a new U20 national record. The U.S. was just off the mark of Jamaica, who won gold and set a new U20 world record of 42.59.

It is believed to be the first international medal in UTA track & field history and the first medal in any international event since the 1976 Montreal Olympics when Lanny Bassham won gold in rifle. Gray was one of three individuals to compete in summer competition as Adeyemi Talabi represented Ireland in the World Championships, while Joel Bengtsson represented Sweden in the European Championships.

Sauerhage's success began immediately, as the Mavericks claimed league championships in women's indoor, men's indoor and men's outdoor track in his first season. UTA followed that up by winning four conference titles (men's indoor, men's outdoor, women's indoor and women's cross country) in year two. And that success has continued for more than two decades. Four times his squads have collected conference "triple crowns" by sweeping the cross country, indoor and outdoor track championships in the same academic year. The women's team accomplished the feat in 1997-98 and again in 2000-01 in the Southland Conference. The men's team secured triple crowns in 2013-14 and 2016-17, the first and

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Our club has long been a champion of literacy and education for our Arlington population both children and adults and we continue this today. Next week we will review our compassion for Webb Elementary School.

Val Gibson

VETERANS-PLUS MEETING

RCA veterans, family members, and allies are invited to meet in the Great Hall on Thursday, 22 September immediately following the Rotary Club meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to consider forming a Veterans Committee within the Rotary Club of Arlington. An Agenda with additional information will be presented at the time of the meeting.

Jim C Quick



Classification Talk: Joseph Carpenter talks about The Vietnam Center and Archive.

Photo by Nora Coronado

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only two recorded in Sun Belt Conference history.

His team championships have been well balanced throughout the sports, with the men winning seven indoor, six outdoor and six cross country titles, while the women have nabbed six indoor, four outdoor and four cross country crowns.

During his tenure, Sauerhage has coached 45 athletes who have received All-America honors, including seven in the 2018-19 school year alone. Highlighting the all-time list is Alexis Henry, who became the school's first female, and third-ever, national champion when she won the high jump title at the 2018 NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships. In 2019, Justin Domangue became the first Maverick ever to earn cross country All-America accolades.

Since 1989, when he was serving as a UTA assistant and the head cross country coach, Sauerhage has coached 11 athletes to individual conference championships in cross country. UTA student-athletes have also won more than 100 league track titles in mid-distance and distance events ranging from the 800 meters to the 10,000 meters. His program has succeeded off the track as well. The United States Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) has honored the men's and women's teams and individuals numerous times over the years.

Sauerhage earned perhaps his biggest individual accolade when the USTFCCCA named him the 2007 Division I Outdoor Track and Field Men's South Central District Coach of the Year. In 2013, Sauerhage was recognized for his achievements by being the only coach named to the Southland Conference's All-Time Indoor Track & Field Honor Roll on both the men's and women's side. The list honored the greatest athletes and coaches in the league's first 50 years.

The decade from 2010-19 included some of the top performances in school history.

In 2018, the UTA women's team was named the 2018 Division I-AAA National Team of the Year after finishing the season ranked 27th nationally, the program's highest-ever placement. The 2015 men's outdoor track squad also ranked 27th in the USTFCCCA national rankings, while in 2012, the men's indoor track team placed 26th, the third-best showing by any school without a Division I football program.

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BIRTHDAYS

Bob Cooke Birthday Fund
Sept. 11 — Sept. 17

Sept. 11 Dave Davis

Sept. 17 Joe Carpenter

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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Additionally, the 2016 men's cross country team registered the school's highest regional finish ever, as the Mavs placed third at the NCAA South Central Regional. UTA also had two athletes advance to the NCAA Cross Country Championships in the same year for the first time in school history. 🍕

MISS LAST WEEK'S MEETING?

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

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CONGRATULATIONS!

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

Tom Long

6 Years Sept. 15, 2016

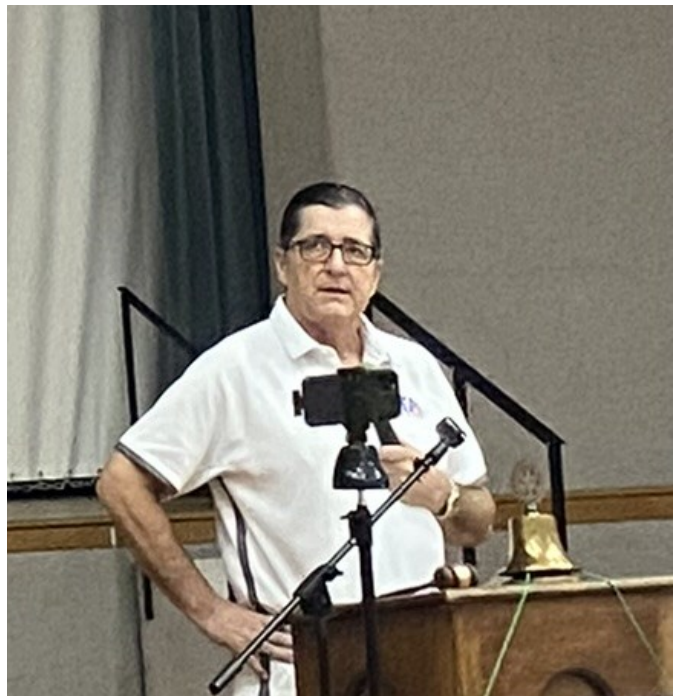


You've got to get up each morning with determination if you are going to go to bed with satisfaction."

George Lorimer



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Guest speaker, John Sauerhag UTA Track Coach, talked about the university's program.

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Classification Talk: Holly Potter-Harvey talks about her career in event management.
Photo by Nora Coronado



Sheri Quick, Mack Martin, Peggy Martin, Don Mebus, and Carolyn Mebus at the New Member Social in the Levitt Center.
Photo by Clete McAlister



Steadfast volunteers at the Arlington Field of Honor.



Past President Kurt, President Victoria, and President-elect Barry complete Rotary Leadership Institute Training.

