

Rotary Club of Arlington



Hubcap

The Official Weekly Publication of the Rotary Club of Arlington

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In this edition: [New Zoom meeting link](#), [Heroes on Water](#), [Pedaling for Polio](#), and more...

President's Message

By *Susie Wine McAlister*



ALL YEAR, WE HAVE BEEN CALLED ON TO CHANGE OUR PLANS TO FIT THE SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES OF THIS MOST UNUSUAL TIME. So it is with the second annual Pedaling for Polio Stationary Bike Marathon Ride to End Polio. Last year, Pedaling for Polio, was a road race in which Kurt Bartley, Dan Blumberg, Steve Kleiber, James McCroskey, and Peter Scott represented our club. This year, the event is a stationary bike relay in which each participant signs up for one or more 30-minute slots. In Arlington, the location will be at the YMCA. I hope we will have even more participants than last year. And that will be easy to do because even if you don't want to ride the stationary bike, you can still join the team and solicit donations!

As Rotarians, we know that we need to support this effort to continue raising money to complete the job of ending polio. All the decades of work to eliminate this dreaded disease from all but just a couple of countries could be for nothing if we don't finish the job. We are very close now but only if we continue the fight. So I ask each of you to prayerfully consider signing up today. Register at <https://raise.rotary.org/PedalingforPolio/challenge>. If you have more questions, send an email to Jon Bullock at rotaryjon@gmail.com.

Rotarians, let's ride!

Susie Wine McAlister
President, 2020-21

THIS WEEK AT ROTARY

[Michael Jacobson](#)

[Greater Arlington Chamber of Commerce](#)

COMING SOON

October 15 [Dr. Nathaniel Hearne](#) *Made Up Minds*

IT HAPPENED LAST THURSDAY

By *Lynn Stavinoha*

THE ROTARY MEETING OF THE 1ST DAY OF OCTOBER, 2020 WAS PROMPTLY CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT SUSIE AT 12:05PM VIA THE ZOOM PLATFORM. Many Rotarians had gathered on Zoom prior to the meeting and had an opportunity to visit in virtual face to face fellowship. (virtual face to face is certainly better than not being able to see each other at all- if the year 2020 has taught me anything it is to appreciate what you do have and to make the most of each moment. This reporter highly recommends the pre-meeting network opportunity which occurs from approximately 11:30am

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(Click the image to learn more).



An example of a Kindness Bench proposed for each Arlington school. Rotarian, Jeff Williams, suggests that our club fund a bench for one or more schools. (Click the image to learn more.)

ZOOM LINK FOR OUR NEXT MEETING

Click This Link to Join Our Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88294278772?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88294278772?pwd=QytrelQ3bitlNVFEd2xKVFlaNjNtQT09)

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Meeting ID: 882 9427 8772

Passcode: 1923

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until the meeting is called into order each week).

President Susie invited birthday boy, Walter Virden, III to lead us in prayer, the pledge AND in the singing of God Bless America. Walter led us in a beautiful prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. He then sang God Bless America loud, proud and acapella. Since the remainder of us were all on mute, we sounded amazing as we sang along.

We had Bill Daley visiting us this week and also our program speaker, Laura Armbruster.

President Susie recognized Derrick Kinney to make an announcement. Derrick announced that our fellow Rotarian and Mayor, Jeff Williams, was leading an initiative of uniting Arlington for a weekend of service projects. Derrick encouraged all Rotarians to be involved. You can show up at the Levitt Pavilion at 9am on Saturday morning for an assignment or go online at <https://www.unitearlington.tx.org> for additional information. There are 85 indoor or outdoor projects which will be completed over this weekend. President Susie added to Derrick's encouragement and requested Rotarians to share how they participated during next week's Rotary meeting.

President Susie then recognized Clete McAlister for an announcement. Clete thanked everyone for their support of the Field of Honor. He shared that there is another way in which we can support the Veteran's Park. Each year (before Veteran's Day and sometimes before Memorial Day) bricks are ordered and placed within the park in memorial or in honor of veterans. You can purchase a brick in honor of a veteran and leave a lasting memorial of their service. The deadline is **October 15th** for ordering a brick to be placed for Veteran's Day 2020. If you have any questions, you can go to the [Arlington Veteran's Park Facebook page](#) then print the form and follow the instructions.

President Susie shifted the meeting to Bryan Roberts, Director of Vocations Service for our Club. Bryan introduced a relatively new member (since February of

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Great Links to Click

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



Rotarian Tunji Funsho named one of TIME's 100 Most Influential People in the world (click anywhere to learn more)

CLUB GOALS FOR 2020-21

	GOAL	YTD
Polio Plus	\$5,000	\$300
Annual Fund/EREY	\$15,000	\$1,269
Net New Members	+15	
Member Inductions		2

The all time total giving from the Rotary Club of Arlington to the [Rotary International Foundation](#) is an amazing **\$854,771**.

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2019), Steve Kleiber (pronounced Kl eye' burr) to give his classification talk. Steve is a CPA and owner of Steve Kleiber and Associates. Steve is a graduate from UTA College of Business and he has been a volunteer with the Miracle League since 2017. Steve shared with us his passion for helping his clients with all aspects of finances. In addition to being a CPA, he is also a Certified Financial Planner. Steve very cleverly (and naturally) used the Rotary 4-Way Test to discuss his philosophy of working with his clients. It was obvious from his classification talk that - it was the truth, beneficial to all concerned and he is a great addition to our Rotary Club.

President Susie recognized the birthdays for the week: Kim Crawford, Jim Quick, Miguel Juarez and Walter Virden. (Walter's special day was the day of our meeting, October 1). President Susie also recognized and honored those members celebrating anniversaries as Rotarians: Patsy Jenkins, Joy Nunn, Charles Brady and Stuart Thomas.

President Susie then turned the meeting over to Dr. Jim Quick who was filling in for President-elect Kurt today. Jim introduced this week's program. Our speaker/presenter was Laura Armbruster. Laura is the Director of Community Engagement for Heroes on Water. (Also known as HOW). Laura proved her wit and flexibility when immediately into her presentation she discovered that she would not have the ability to share screen and show her prepared slides. (This situation was corrected within a few minutes and Laura was able to share her PowerPoint presentation). Laura pressed on just as the individuals who are served by Heroes on Water press on. Heroes on Water provides outings/ excursions for veterans and first responders who have suffered (and/or are suffering) from injuries sustained in the line of duty. The concept is simple- provide a kayak trip with or without fishing for a member of the military or a first responder to enjoy along with their family members. The concept is simple; however based on the stories that Laura was able to share the impact in the lives of those who experience the kayak trip(s) is life changing and in some cases lifesaving. HOW was started with one man, Jim Dolan looking for a way to make a difference in 2007. Thirteen years later, HOW has 64 chapters in 30 states

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BIRTHDAYS

Bob Cooke Birthday Fund
Oct. 4 – Oct. 10

October 7 Sally Hopper

October 7 Robert Shepard

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. (Please note this is the **Rotary Foundation** not the Arlington Rotary Foundation. Thanks!)

with each chapter seeking to serve all military members or first responders who want to participate. There are varying levels of challenges that the participants bring to the program and HOW works to meet all of those challenges so that these heroes can have a few hours in a kayak- at peace in nature. Some kayaks are equipped with peddles instead of paddles. All kayakers must wear life vests for safety including Navy Seals! The program encourages the heroes to get off of couches and rediscover themselves in nature. And the program allows family members of the heroes to join them for the experience. Heroes on Water uses “Paddle- Fish- Heal” as a tagline. No amount of explanation by this humble reporter will be able to match all that Laura shared with us during the program; however, HOW has a Facebook page and a website at which you can look at the stories of actual heroes (a Fort Worth police officer left paralyzed from the chest down by a bullet, a suicidal military member who now works to save others by asking them to just go out on the water, etc.). I highly encourage you to go to the website at www.heroesonwater.org This was a wonderful Rotary program. President Susie presented Laura with the book “A Girl Like Me” which will be placed in the Webb Elementary library in her name.

SOMETHING NEW!

The next club board meeting, **October 16 at 11:30**, will be hybrid, both in-person with masks and virtual.

In-person: Legacy Financial Community Room at 1205 W. Abram St.

Thanks to Chad and Joy Bates!

(Park in the back and enter the back door).

Virtually: Click this Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88294278772?pwd=QytrelQ3bitlNVFEed2xKVFlaNjNtQT09>

There was time for Kris Landrith to share a last laugh which was a compilation of things he has overheard various Rotarians say during this time of Covid. If you want to know if Kris has been eavesdropping on your conversations, you NEED TO ATTEND the Rotary Zoom meeting. OR you can watch a replay for the week.

President Susie honored birthday boy Walter by asking him to lead us in the Four Way Test. When asked by President Susie what birthday this was for Walter he stated it was one of those zero ones- So, happy 30th birthday to Walter. He did lead us in the 4-Way Test. President Susie dismissed us with the ringing of the bell at 12:55pm.

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



“One’s philosophy is not best expressed in words; it is expressed in the choices one makes ... and the choices we make are ultimately our responsibility.”

Eleanor Roosevelt



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MISS LAST WEEK’S MEETING?

The recording of last week’s Zoom meeting can be viewed by clicking [HERE](#). Password is: b\$W5!hjl



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