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Victoria's Vignettes



November is a month of reflection and a time for us to remember why and for what we are grateful. We as members of the Rotary Club of Arlington have much to give thanks. We are grateful for those who founded this club and the many members over the past century who have contributed to its continued impact in our community. Our club is thriving and continuing to grow with new members ready to take the mantle of leadership and to show that Rotarians coming together can not only have an impact on our community, but through our collective donations to the Rotary International Foundation, in changing our world.

This month is also a time for us to think of those in our community that may not have the means or opportunity to fully embrace the coming holiday season. As the Rotary Club of Arlington, we can come together to volunteer at the upcoming Open Arms Clinic Run whose proceeds will help the clinic provide much needed healthcare to those in our community that do not have other means to do so (see the email you received by our Community Service Director, Derrick Kinney or email your availability on Saturday November 5th from 6am-8am for set-up or 10:30am-12:30am for break down to urso@flash.net OR openarmsgala.cindy@gmail.com).

This month is also a time to give thanks to those that who served our nation. On November 11th, we all should take a moment to think of the men and women who answered the call of service to their

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THIS WEEK AT ROTARY

Brooke Allen

Probate and Guardianship

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Nov. 10	Ahmad Goree	Resources to Navigate A Small Business Beyond COVID-19
Nov. 17	LaDondra Wilson	Dallas Wings

IT HAPPENED LAST THURSDAY

BY JONATHON JACKSON

The weekly meeting was called to order by President Victoria Farrar-Myers. Keith Kallie offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Everyone then sang "God Bless America" acapella, led by Walter Virden. Brad DeRaad came up to introduce visiting Rotarians and guests. Our visiting Rotarian's were Beverly Luedke, the Area Rotary Coordinator for Region 38 and member of the Rotary Club of Temple, and Alex Johnson, Assistant Regional Coordinator for Zone 25b and 29, and member of the Rotary Club of Plano.

Announcements: President Victoria discussed the Club Runner and the two apps, detailing how to register and sign in on the go, and you can even log your service hours through the app. Of course, you

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country and all the freedoms that we enjoy because of their sacrifices and those of their loved ones.

At the end of this month, we as a nation will celebrate Thanksgiving and, of course, a Cowboys win! We will have other community service projects in anticipation of this holiday through a collective service opportunity at Mission Arlington to get the box dinners ready for the big day. We also will be participating once again in the Salvation Army's Angel Tree program with an opportunity to adopt "angels" from Arlington who need someone to bring their holiday wishes to fruition. And of course, you will have an opportunity to ring the bell for the Annual Salvation Army Red Kettle drive. Details about these additional opportunities will be announced at our meetings and sent to you via email. So, find something that speaks to your heart and join your fellow Rotarians in making a difference in the lives of our fellow community members. Our actions speak louder than anything we might say. So, show your gratitude by helping another this month. After all, is not the portion of the four-way test "Will it build goodwill and better friendships?" and "Will it be beneficial to all concerned?" call us into action?

Victoria

President, 2022-23

EACH ONE
BRING ONE



“Things turn out best for the people who make the best of the way things turn out.”

John Wooden



Rotary
Club of Arlington

SAVE THE DATE
Holiday Party
Home of Julia and Moji Haddad
Friday, December 2



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can always mark your service hours when you attend the weekly meeting while signing in!

Sally Hopper announced Rotarians with birthdays, Paul Fulks, Bob Stoessel, and James McCroskey. Everyone sang Happy Birthday to Mike. Rotary anniversaries included Chris Hayes, Barry Johnson, Andy Peil, and Tom Craven with a whopping 53 years! Congratulations to them all.

Sally then had the pleasure of presenting President Victoria Farrar-Myers with the Paul Harris +4 award. Way to go Victoria. You continue to lead us all through inspiration and example.

Barry Bondurant introduced the program for the day with speaker's Coach Shereka Wright, UTA Lady Mavs head basketball coach and Greg Young, UTA men's basketball coach.

Coach Wright spoke about the great success our Lady Mavs saw last year with the conference championship and the great effort the Lady Mavs put up in the NCAA Women's Basketball Tournament. With a lot of new faces on the team, eight to be exact, there is a lot of work to do to maintain their success, but she is confident in their ability to bring just as much success this season that starts November 7th.

Coach Young has been around UTA Mavs basketball program for quite a long time, seeing a lot of success over the years while also seeing some down years. He is in the process of rebuilding the Mavs basketball culture and also has 10 new faces on his team. Since the beginning of the new collegiate transfer portal, much more time is spent recruiting as well as trying to keep the current players in the UTA system. The Mavs have expectations of a better year than last year but are focused on building a lasting culture around the program that extends beyond the basketball court and into preparing the young men and women of the program for life after basketball as good upstanding adults.

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RECOGNIZING THE PAST TO INSPIRE THE FUTURE

November is Rotary Foundation Month

Don Mebus wrote in 1996 (having just completed his office of District Governor) "While we have much of which to be proud now is NOT the time to rest on our laurels. The world continues to have difficulties. World peace and understanding is elusive but that is the imperative of the Rotary Foundation."

The first international TRF project I remember was sponsored by PDG Hugh Ross. As a result of PDG Conrad Heede's work with then Past RI President, Carlos Canseco, our district had developed a relationship by doing multiple "Matching Grants" with his club, Monterrey, Mexico. Because of our funding of several grants with his club, he wanted to return the favor. And DG, Hugh wanted to do a project here in Arlington by purchasing some computer equipment for the Police department to track illegal drug activity. We did not have the funds for the whole project in our club budget, so we entered into an agreement with the Monterey club for one of the first ever "reverse matching grants" where we contributed some funds, Monterrey contributed some, and those funds were matched by the Foundation for \$10,000.00 which was the amount needed to purchase the equipment.

Every dollar we send to the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International is invested for three years. The administrative costs are covered by the investment income. The at the end of that three year cycle the principal is spent on the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International programs.

In a past issue of our Hubcap, a reprint of an article that appeared in the October 1985 issue of the *Rotarian* was cited. The title was "A Sizzling Record of Support." It was a recap of an outstanding history of the Rotary Club of Arlington's financial support to the Rotary Foundation.

In 1995 alone our Club contributed \$22,500 to the Foundation which was one of the top giving clubs in the district.

By 1996 our Club had given \$335,786 to the Rotary
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Homecoming is November 12th for the programs, so come out and support your UTA Mavs that week!

Victoria presented Coach Wright and Coach Young with a book to be signed by each of them and donated to Webb Elementary Library on their behalf.

Tom Ware took us back to 1953 when he presented the Historical Minute and then gave us a good laugh with the Hysterical Minute.

Next week we have the pleasure of listening to Judge Brooke Allen about Probate and Guardianship.

The quote for this week: "It is one of the blessings of old friends that you can afford to be stupid with them." Ralph Waldo Emerson

Victoria thanked the special guests and everyone else for coming. She then led us in the Four Way Test and adjourned the meeting. ☺

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.](#)

Password is: &@5+R=&y

Save the Dates Rotary Community Service Opportunities

1. Saturday, Nov. 5 Check in at 7AM.

Open Arms Health Clinic Run for Another/ Run and Fun Run.

2. Saturday, Nov. 12

Mission Arlington; Stuff "Ready to Prepare" Thanksgiving dinner boxes

3. Saturday, Dec. 9 10AM to 7 PM

Salvation Army Bell Ringing, Hobby Lobby on South Cooper. Eight 1 hour slots.

5. Monday, December 19, 8:30 AM to 2 PM

Arlington Charities Holiday Food Distribution



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Foundation of which \$109,496 was designated to the Polio Plus Program. As of 1996 we had designated 296 Paul Harris Fellows and we had 8 Benefactors.

As Don further stated in his Hubcap article - while "charity begins at home" it does not end there. No one believes that we should reduce or restrict any of the wonderful local projects in which we have invested ourselves. However, if you accept that "to whom much has been given, much is expected" then we become a spoke in the Rotary Wheel connecting the hub of our own world to the outer rim of the rest of the world.

Val Gibson



Rigien Bagekany-Jackson gives a fascinating Classification Talk that included some of her many international experiences. *Photo by Nora Coronado*



BIRTHDAYS

Bob Cooke Birthday Fund

Nov. 4 Don Duke

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)

Angel Tree Tags will be available for pick up at this week's meeting.



CONGRATULATIONS!

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

Larry Jordan	8 Years	Oct. 30, 2014
Mia Russo	8 Years	Oct. 30, 2014
Mary Tom Curnutt	9 Years	Oct. 31, 2013
Kathleen Smith	5 Years	Oct. 31, 2017
Dave Davis	38 Years	Nov. 1, 1984
Veronica Rodriguez	4 Years	Nov. 1, 2018
Bob Matasso	50 Years	Nov. 2, 1972



Shereka Wright, UTA Women's great Women's Basketball coach talked about the year ahead.

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