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Victoria's Vignettes



This past Saturday morning during Unite Arlington Service Weekend, groups of citizens gathered around the city jointly to tackle projects to help others. A group of Rotarians along with the baseball team from Arlington Baptist University came together with many other organizations at Mission Arlington to help pack food boxes that will bring food to families in need for their Thanksgiving dinner. Mission Arlington currently provides food for 1,500 families a week and expects this year's Thanksgiving need to grow by some 40% over last year's 6,000+ Thanksgiving box distribution. As we packed and the stacks of boxes rose, it struck me how the phrase my mother used to use when I was young doing projects is that "many hands make light work." It was awe inspiring seeing young children besides their parents and groups from all aspects of our community join in a single endeavor to impact others in a positive way. This goal is the core of what Rotary teaches us and why many join its ranks to come together with like-minded individuals to make a lasting change in our community. Being a part of something larger than ourselves may get lost as life makes us so busy we forget that each of us together can make a difference. As the holiday season draws near, perhaps we can all take a collective breath to give thanks for all we have and for all that together we can do. Mission and purpose for Rotary is here in each of our communities where we bring members to our club from all aspects of our community to breathe life not just into our weekly meetings, but to strive for the grander vision of "service above self". Let us remember this and give thanks to our collective Rotary International organization that

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THIS WEEK AT ROTARY

LaDondra Wilson

Dallas Wings

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Nov. 24	Thanksgiving	NO MEETING
Dec.1	Annual Club Meeting	Nomination and Election of Club Officers 2023-24
After the annual	James Orlosky	Rotary Dream Park Master Plan

IT HAPPENED LAST THURSDAY

BY LYNN STAVINOHA

The Rotary meeting of November 10, 2022 was officially called to order by President Victoria Farrar-Myers at 12:10pm.

President Victoria invited Hal Thurow forward to lead us in prayer, the pledge and in the singing of God Bless America. Hal used the occasion of the day before Veteran's Day to read the poem "In Flanders Fields". Kathleen Smith accompanied us in our singing of God Bless America.

Our greeters for the week were Eunice Currie and Keith Kallie. Both Eunice and Keith are working on replacing their red badges with blue badges. We had two visiting Rotarians and one Rotarian who

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allows us to engage the world in tackling the largest and intractable problems of human existence. May you and your loved ones all be blessed with a Happy Thanksgiving and remember your Rotary family stands with you.

On behalf of the Board, we would like to cordially invite members, particularly Red Badges, to attend our club's Board meeting this coming Friday, November 18 from 11:30-1:00 at Legacy Financial on 1205 W. Abram Street.

Victoria

President, 2022-23

**EACH ONE
BRING ONE**



Keep your eyes open to your mercies. The man who forgets to be thankful has fallen asleep in life."

Robert Louis Stevenson



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PROPOSED MEMBER

Darius McCall

Classification: Transportation - Ride Share Services
(Active)

Sponsor: Hal Thurow

Mentor:

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brought a guest. (The guest was Linda, the spouse of Dr. Ignacio Nunez, see new member induction below for more information.)

President Victoria asked for any one with announcements to come forward. In her very efficient way, President Victoria made a few announcements on behalf of Joy Bates (Director of Webb School) who was unable to be present. A thank you to Sam Scott and Keith Kallie for helping Joy distribute new Dictionary / Thesauruses at Webb Elementary. And a thank you to Jonathan Jackson and Elvis Ononobi for their time spent volunteering for the Math-o-thon (formerly known as Trunk or Treat) at Webb Elementary. President Victoria also asked on behalf of Joy that Rotarians be looking forward to announcements in the next week for donations to stuff backpack for the 6th grade campers who will be attending Camp Carter December 8th and 9th.

Kris Landrith made an announcement regarding the upcoming (November 19th) 40th Anniversary Margarita Ball. Please plan on attending- the cost of entrance is a toy to be donated for use by Arlington Police for children in need in Arlington.

Past President Kurt Bartley made an announcement reminding all Rotarians the time is "now" to make donations for the Centennial Celebration which will be June 10, 2023. He saluted Ben Dskocil who is the current Four-Way Test Sponsor (\$10,000) and McNees Family Trust (Jim Quick) who is an "Avenue of Service" sponsor (\$5,000). In addition, Sutton Frost Carey (Kim Crawford's CPA firm) is a "Core Values" sponsor at (\$2,500). There are currently three tables reserved and we are looking to fill the room.

Sarah Knotts came forward with an announcement about the annual Holiday Party which will be held on December 2, 2022 at the home of Rotarian Mojay Haddad. Mojay and his wife Julia have graciously agreed to not only host us in their beautiful home but they will also be providing/

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RECOGNIZING THE PAST

TO INSPIRE THE FUTURE

Rotary Club of Arlington and our Honduras Ties

The list of our Club's involvement in International Projects is extremely numerous. Worthwhile International Projects have included a metal roof for a school house in Honduras; Nepal relief to build schools \$45,000-55,000; and Covid relief grants between our Club and Ian Riesley of Australia \$162,000.

Our Club has most notably been involved in Honduras managing 10 grants over 13 years for \$500,000. This program not only involved furnishing dollars but feet on the ground.

Our Honduras connection and subsequent projects was the largest undertaking in recent Club history. Through various contacts The Norma Love Foundation was introduced to the Club in 2003 and the Board approved supporting this Foundation. A list of projects was provided.

In order to accomplish this endeavor our club needed to partner with a Rotary Club in Honduras. In early January 2004 a Tegucigalpa Club representative and director contacted our Club and informed us that they were able to work with us. Numerous projects followed and resulted in a trip to Honduras by Don Mebus and Steve Zimmer in 2004. On that trip they met the Nueva Tegucigalpa Rotarians and some government officials (this was where they sat with the President of Honduras on the plane on the way down). They flew over the mountains to visit Norma and see what the situation was in Mocoron. They narrowly escaped from the village and Puerto Lempira as a hurricane bore down on them. They traveled back to Tegucigalpa for their flight home by flying to San Pedro Sula and traveling by local bus (chickens and pigs included!) This was our first real service involvement in Honduras. Don and Steve went on to visit Honduras two more times. Don went back six more times in the following years.

In 2005 Scott Hendricks took over the management of this project that lasted over 13 years and 13 trips, all but one working directly on a grant. One time Scott went and camped out at our local representative's place to get him to finish the

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paying for the meal for the evening. This means that the entire amount of the cost to attend this wonderful event will be given to the Arlington Rotary Foundation. So, make your plans to attend now and go on line to make your payment to do so. There is a need for a Valet parking company if anyone has connections with such a company, please see Sarah. (Kris Landrith volunteered to park cars for the night but I do not believe that is a good idea...)

Just so that any reader of these minutes think all we do as Rotarians is party, (Margarita Ball, Centennial Celebration, Holiday Party...), the Director of Community Service, Derrick Kinney came forward with upcoming volunteer opportunities. These opportunities are ways in which we, Rotarians, can serve others in our community. Derrick thanked those who participated last week in the Open Arms Clinic fun run. He also asked for volunteers to serve this weekend, Saturday, November 12th, at Mission Arlington to fill boxes to hand out to those in need of meals for Thanksgiving. Derrick also looked into the future to remind us to be prepared to be 'bell ringers' for the Salvation Army. (More on this opportunity soon).

Jill Regina (Director of Youth Services) had an announcement for two service opportunities. First, next Thursday from 1:30-3pm she needs volunteers to help sort and organize the supply closet at Nichols Junior High. Second, the new Interact Club (a Rotary Club for high schoolers) at Dan Dippert Career Center is organizing a Cereal Drive. Please consider bringing a box of cereal (or 2 or 33 boxes) to the next Rotary meeting. Let's support this Rotary club of the youth!

Susie McAlister reminded us that we have more Salvation Army Angel Tree Angels to adopt. Please see Susie or Tanis Garrett to adopt an angel or to make a contribution so that they can fill the needs of an angel from our Angel Tree. The date to bring

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final report!

Visitors over the years from our Club have included Bob Griffin, Don Mebus, Val Gibson, Bonnie Harris, Dan Blumberg, Steve Zimmer, Walter Virden and Earl Harcrow. Four Past District Governors and at least 10 other individuals from our District have also been. Through the years many of our Club members have made personal donations to purchase Christmas gifts, athletic equipment, building materials, medical supplies, etc.

During the later years, the partner Club in Honduras changed to the Roatan Rotary Club where Arlington Rotarian Earl Harcrow now resides.

A very detailed article as well as photos about the various Honduras projects can be found by following this link: <https://arlingtonrotary.com/sitepage/international-service>

Val Gibson

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these gifts back is NEXT THURSDAY, November 17 or Friday, the 18th to the Board Meeting at Legacy Financial (Chad and Joy Bates' offices).

The final announcement was an important one. Clete McAlister reminded everyone to attend the Veteran's Day celebration which will be held at the Bob Duncan Center. The program will be at 11am on 11/11. (By the time you read this, it is too late to attend; however, it is never too late to give thanks to God for our men and women who served and who are serving to protect our country and our freedoms)

President Victoria had a special presentation and asked Kurt Bartley (past President) and Sally Hooper to come forward. Our Club received special recognition at the District Gala this past weekend for exceeding our goals in Every Rotarian Every Year, our donations to Rotary International. The goal was \$18K and we achieved \$26K in donations. Kurt's leadership inspired and motivated us. Sally (Foundation Director) kept us on track. Kurt and Sally received special banners commemorating the accomplishments.

President Victoria asked Randy Hendrick (membership Chair) to come forward for an induction of a new member. She also introduced Dr. Ignacio Nunez to our Club as the newest member (9th this year!) as he and his wife, Linda, came forward. Dr. Iggy as he is affectionately known will make an amazing new Rotarian. He has actually been a Rotarian in the past but now that he is retired from an OBGYN practice, he is joining again so that he can continue his service of others above himself as a Rotarian. His faith and his family are where he gives all credit for his successes. President Victoria is his sponsor; Randy will be his mentor. We look forward to many years of serving along side Dr. Iggy in Rotary. As an added bonus, Linda Nunez (the wife of Dr. Iggy) has also taken paperwork for joining Rotary.

President Victoria asked Donna Mack to come

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BIRTHDAYS

Bob Cooke Birthday Fund
Nov. 13—Nov.26

Nov. 17 Kris Landrith
Nov. 19 Scott Hendricks
Nov. 21 Michael Wade
Nov. 23 Esteban Blanco

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



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CONGRATULATIONS!

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

Don Duke	26 Years	Nov. 14, 1996
Marc Prda	16 Years	Nov. 16, 2006
Joe Carpenter	1 Year	Nov. 18, 2021
Chad Bates	7 Years	Nov. 19, 2015
Angie Meister	9 Years	Nov. 21, 2013

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forward to lead us in song. Donna led us in singing "You're a Grand Old Flag" in honor of Veteran's Day. Sally Hooper announced the lone birthday of the week – Heather Kipker. And we sang Happy Birthday to her. We also celebrated Scott Hendricks' 22nd anniversary as a Rotarian. Sally also read out a list of Rotarians who have given their birthday donations using the online method.

Barry Bondurant introduced our program for the week, Ahmad Goree with the Dalla/Fort Worth



Rotarians and family members help Mission Arlington prepare for Thanksgiving. DBU baseball players join to help (below).



Ahmad Goree provided very helpful information for small businesses.

District Office of the Small Business Administration. Ahmad started by sharing the fact that a high school teacher from his school encouraged him by offering him the opportunity to participate in the 4-Way Speech Contest. He is a true success story of the good Rotary does. Ahmad gave a wonderful presentation regarding the SBA; history, funding, current programs, and success stories from business who have been impacted by the SBA. He gave his contact information for any who may benefit from the programs (not only loans but training and counselling) offered by the SBA. Ahmad.Goree@sba.gov He gave an informative presentation.

A book was presented in honor of Ahmad for the Webb Library.

Kris Landrith gave us a last laugh.

President Victoria thanked everyone for coming

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Save the Dates Rotary Community Service Opportunities

1. Saturday, Dec. 9 10AM to 7 PM
Salvation Army Bell Ringing, Hobby Lobby on South Cooper. Eight 1 hour slots.
2. Monday, December 19, 8:30 AM to 2 PM
Arlington Charities Holiday Food Distribution



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Kurt, Assistant Foundation Chair, and Sally, Foundation Chair, receive recognition banners for club giving presented by PDG, Peter.

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and reminded us to be people of impact and to make differences. She led us in the Four Way Test and rang the bell to adjourn the meeting.

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 [HERE](#).

Password is: Vlc@30*k

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**BOARD MEETING
OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF ARLINGTON**
This Friday, November 18 at 11:30 am
At Legacy Financial
1205 W. Abram Street
Arlington, Texas 76013
(Park in the back)
All club members are welcome



Dr. Ignacio Nunez is warmly welcomed to the club by Chris, Mary Tom, Victoria, and Randy. We were happy to meet Iggy's wife Linda.

PLEASE JOIN US



THE ROTARY CLUB OF ARLINGTON'S

Annual Holiday Party

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2ND ~ 6PM - 9PM

JULIA AND MOJY HADDAD'S HOME

3024 SHADOW DRIVE ~ ARLINGTON ~ 76006

VALET PARKING ~ QUESTIONS? CALL SARAH 817-456-7188

COST: \$40 PER PERSON ~ ATTIRE: HOLIDAY FESTIVE



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