

Rotary Club of Arlington



Hubcap

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In this edition: [Zoom meeting link](#), Tarrant Food Bank, Board Meeting Friday, and more...

Rotary Foundation

By Sally Hopper



AS OUR CLUB'S FOUNDATION CHAIR, I'd like to thank each of you for all you do to support The Rotary International Foundation. It is because of your support we, and Rotarians worldwide, are able to do so very much good in the world. Money we send in to the Foundation's Annual Fund comes back to us three years later to fund our grants. Your gifts have made things like our Honduras Water Project and district projects such as our recent funding for the Tarrant Area Food Bank and Texas Health Hospitals possible.

RI suggests each member contribute \$100 annually to the RI Foundation. One way our club does this is through birthday contributions. Members donate on their birthday in the amount of their age or a little more with a check made out simply to Rotary Foundation. Rotary tracks each individual donation and gives you personally credit for it. Once you have donated \$1,000 you receive a Paul Harris Fellow (PHF). Our club currently has 78 Paul Harris Fellow members! If you'd like to become one or add to the one you have, notify me to check your records and see how close you are to your next pin. Good News! Our club is currently matching your donations so the amount you'll need to complete your PHF will be only half of what you'd normally need! Don't miss out on this great opportunity and help us continue Rotary's good work at home and abroad.

Sally Hopper

Rotary Foundation Chair, 2020-21

THIS WEEK AT ROTARY

Dr. Jason E. Shelton

"Arlington Unity Council Updates"

COMING SOON

Nov. 26 **THANKSGIVING** *No Meeting*

Dec. 3 **Cindy Salter** *Salter Bros.
Coffee
Roasters*

IT HAPPENED LAST THURSDAY

By Carey F. Walker

THE WEEKLY MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 12:05 PM BY PRESIDENT SUSIE MCALISTER. Stacy Bridger offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Donna Mack sang a beautiful rendition of "God Bless America". The following guests were introduced, Catherine Bartley, Malcom Chakery, Carolyn Thornton and Veronica Griffith.

Peter Scott reminded us of Rotarian membership myths. The old rules no longer apply. Peter encouraged us to submit a list in our circle of friends to become potential members of Rotary. We have the ability to change in order to build a more diverse

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Webb Elementary Director, Joy Bates and her daughter, deliver needed supplies to Ms. Lopez, Principal at Webb.

MISS LAST WEEK'S MEETING?

The recording of last week's Zoom meeting can be viewed for a limited time by clicking [HERE](#).
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ZOOM LINK FOR OUR NEXT MEETING

Click This Link to Join Our Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88294278772?pwd=QytrelQ3bitINVFE2xKVFlaNjNtQT09>

Meeting ID: 882 9427 8772

Passcode: 1923

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membership. Please consider replying to this request so that we may increase our membership and our outreach.

Tanis Garrett reminded us of the Salvation Army Christmas Tree. It is once again that time of year. The Salvation Army has already processed 1,000 Arlington families that need our help this Christmas season. Tanis informed us that Rotarian Angie Meister volunteered to host the tree at her dance studio, United Performing Arts at 2304 W. Park Row. Please adopt an Angel or two at the posted times on the flyer attached to the transmittal email. Gift bags can be returned at the specific times listed on the flyer. For more information, contact Tanis or Susie.

Kris Landrith informed us that the Margarita Society Toy Drive has created two ways to donate toys this year. On Friday, November 20, 2020, there will be a drive by toy drop at Texas Live! From 5-9 p.m. The location is 1650 E. Randol Mill Road, Arlington, Texas. You are free to stay and enjoy food and complimentary margaritas. The next time and place will be at the Levitt Pavilion at 100 W. Abram on November 21, 2020. The times are 4-9 p.m. and you are welcome to stay and once again have free margaritas and live music.

Susie informed us of the nominating committee that will be planning for 2021. The members are Kurt Bartley, Dan Blumberg, Sarah Knotts, Valerie Landry, Mary Jean Moloney and Peter Scott.

Sally Hopper announced Rotarians with birthdays. Heather Kipker was the only Rotarian with a birthday this week. Sally informed us that she has received a check to The Rotary Foundation from Dave Davis. Rotarians celebrating anniversaries are Scott Hendricks, 20 years and Don Duke, 24 years.

Kurt Bartley introduced the speaker and the program for the day. The speaker was Stephen Raeside of the Tarrant Area Food Bank(TAFB). Mr. Raeside is a native of Great Britain. He immigrated to the United States at the age of thirteen. He has enjoyed a twenty-five year career in communications

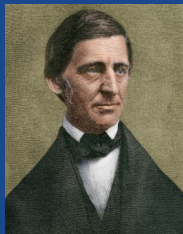
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“What lies behind you
and what lies in front of
you, pales in
comparison to what
lies inside of you.”

Ralph Waldo Emerson



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and philanthropy, the last ten years with the TAFB. He recently completed a \$12 million capital campaign for the TAFB. Mr. Raeside is responsible for an annual budget of \$13 million with the TAFB. Mr. Raeside is a member of the Rotary Club of Fort Worth.

Mr. Raeside is Executive Vice President of Development of the TAFB. He leads the agency's fundraising team. Philanthropic support of TAFB comes from a wide variety of foundations, corporations, events and generous individuals.

The TAFB has seen a surge in demand due to the pandemic. Hunger in America is quiet but pervasive. One in five people in the greater Fort Worth area suffer from hunger. Hunger is a choice. People can either buy food or pay other necessary bills.

The TAFB serves thirteen counties. This area covers 10,000 miles, an area larger than the entire state of Vermont. The TAFB has 330 food pantries in churches and senior centers throughout the thirteen counties. TAFB is always in need of donors due to expenses such as diesel, payroll and overhead. Volunteers are a huge reason for the success of TAFB. TAFB typically has over 20 thousand volunteers to process the more than 43 million pounds of food per year. However, also due to the pandemic, volunteers are down this year.

Where does the food come from? The food comes from numerous sources, including Kelloggs, retail grocery operations and USDA federal commodity programs. Seventy percent of the food comes from the USDA. TAFB buys food and a portion of the food comes from canned food drives.

TAFB partners with schools to provide backpacks for kids. These packs are distributed on Friday afternoon so the kids have food for the weekend. TAFB also has school pantries for families to have fresh fruits and vegetables. These pantries utilize classroom space in order to house the food. TAFB works with the Salvation Army and the Union

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Can Benefit the
ARLINGTON ROTARY FOUNDATION**

Shop Amazon Smile and designate Arlington Rotary Foundation as the beneficiary, then a portion of your purchase will go to our foundation. **Do this today**, so our foundation will benefit during the Christmas shopping season.



**Veterans Day Ceremony Rotarian volunteers
President Susie, Stacy Bridger, Jill Regina, Hollie
Hattendorf, and Sally Hopper. Other Veterans
Day Rotarian helpers included Col. Jim Quick
(emcee), Clete McAlister, and April Pettitt.**



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CONGRATULATIONS!



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

Marc Prda	14 Years	Nov. 16, 2006
Chad Bates	5 Years	Nov. 19, 2015
Angie Meister	7 Years	Nov. 21, 2013



BIRTHDAYS

Bob Cooke Birthday Fund
Nov. 15 – Nov. 21

Nov. 17 Kris Landrith

Nov. 19 Scott Hendricks

Nov. 21 Michael Wade

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!)

NOVEMBER CLUB BOARD MEETING

The next club board meeting, **November 20 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?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88294278772?pwd=QytrelQ3bitINVFE2xKVFlaNjNtQT09)
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Gospel Mission to provide food for the needy and homeless. TAFB has provided Arlington Charities with 2.2 million pounds of food.

TAFB has created community gardens so that people can grow their own produce. This gives people an opportunity to be productive and involved.

The year 2020 has seen a soaring need in food for the people in these thirteen counties. There has been a twenty percent increase in hunger. People started knocking on the doors of TAFB seeking food. TAFB placed pallets of food in the parking lot and the food would be gone within forty five minutes. TAFB has been serving 600,000 to one million meals per week. Local Chefs Tim Love and Jon Bonnell helped by utilizing their furloughed employees to work at TAFB during the volunteer shortage. Additionally, the 136th National Guard Airwing worked four to five months at TAFB. The National Guard provided 110 personnel to help at TAFB.

TAFB now is focusing on the quality of the products. The quality of the food is improving thanks to Amazon Fresh, local grocers, fresh produce, and as a result, nutrition is improving.

TAFB is partnering with ISD's, hospitals, and counties. TAFB is expanding and is in the process of building TAFB West, near Brock. This facility will enable TAFB to better serve those in need. TAFB has 140 employees. These people are dedicated to the mission of TAFB. TAFB recently received a \$90,000 grant from Rotary to help these employees better serve those in need. For more information on TAFB, please visit tafb.org.

Kurt informed us that next week's program will be presented by UTA Professor, Dr. Jason E. Shelton of the Arlington Unity Council.

The last laugh was provided by Kris Landrith. A book was donated to Webb Elementary school to honor Stephen Raeside.

Susie provided the following quote: "We must have the courage to do what we know is morally right". – Ronald Reagan. Susie thanked the special guests and everyone else for coming. She then led us in the Four Way Test and we were adjourned. 🍷

