## Rotary



# Hubcap

## Club of Arlington

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**February 4, 2021** 

In this edition: Zoom meeting link, international work, Hugh Ross, new member, and more...

## **President's Message**

By Susie Wine McAlister



Norman Douglas and Hal Thurow each celebrate 38 years in Rotary. The prize, however, goes to Hugh Ross who this week marks 60 years in Rotary. As we get closer to our club's centennial, Hugh holds the unique position of having served in Rotary with some of the Rotary Club of Arlington's charter members, some of whom were still active when Hugh joined. Hugh likes to point out that he was a "Junior Rotarian", as it was called then, while attending Arlington High School. More about AHS later.

Rotary was a perfect fit for Hugh. He served as club president for 1967-68 and then was District Governor for 1987-88. Polio Plus was one of Hugh's highest priorities. He was very active in the Youth Exchange program. At various times, Hugh sponsored kids from Germany, Japan, China, Scotland, and England. He also took a group of youths to Japan for six weeks in a program called "Wings Over Rotary".

Another favorite activity of Hugh's was to sing in the Dallas Rotary Chorus which claimed seven of our club members. One of their trips was to Hawaii which, Hugh says, was tremendous fun.

Now, back to Arlington High School where Hugh was Senior Class President. Tom Vandergriff gave the school its live mascot, "Li'l Arlie". Naturally,

### THIS WEEK AT ROTARY

## **Dawud Mabon**

Law of Intentionality

## IT HAPPENED LAST THURDSDAY By Heather Kipker

The Rotary Club of Arlington meeting held via Zoom on January 28th was called to order by President, Susie McAlister. Dave Davis opened the meeting up with prayer and reciting of the "Pledge of Allegiance." Walter Virden led the Club in the singing of "God Bless America."

This week we had no visiting Rotarians or guests.

Victoria Farrar-Myers gave upcoming details in regards to The Fish Creek Cleanup Challenge this Saturday.

Donna Mack invited Rotarians to participate in the Mayors Committee on People with Disabilities Zoom meeting Friday, January 29<sup>th</sup>. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the possibility of an inclusive park in Arlington. Donna would love the Rotary Clubs participation.

PDG, Peter Scott encouraged Rotarians to identify merging leaders in the community and ask them to visit/join our Rotary Club.

Sally Hopper wished Paul Strong a Happy Birthday; there were not any Rotarian anniversaries this week.

Bryan Roberts introduced a Classification Talk by

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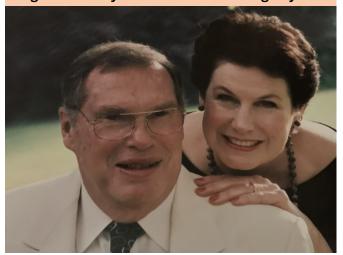
Hugh volunteered to be one of the trainers. On the night of Li'l Arlie's debut to the students at a football game, the colt was in a stall on the other side of town with no horse trailer to be found. Hugh is nothing if not a problem-solver. With his parents out of town, Hugh loaded the young horse into the family car – a Kaiser Frazer, which had an unusual clamshell-like hatchback and tailgate. He never told his parents, but fair to say, they didn't ask.

Hugh Ross is one of our most dedicated Rotarians. Be sure to congratulate him on his anniversary of 60 years in Rotary.

Susie Wine McAlister

President, 2020-21

Hugh and Kathy Ross on their wedding day.



#### MISS THE LAST MEETING?

The recording of the last Zoom meeting can be viewed for a limited time by clicking HERE.

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Jennifer Cathcart. Jennifer is a graduate of UTArlington, marrying her college sweetheart. As a teenager, when she began driving she found herself going to Open House Listings, which is where her love for real estate began. Jennifer gave a brief update on the current housing market and then opened floor for questions.

Kurt Bartley introduced our program on International Projects by our own Club's, Scott Hendricks.

The intent of the program; International Projects is to educate new members and others whom might not be aware of what our Club does outside of our country and its impact in other parts of the world. The Rotary Club of Arlington services five different continents.

International projects can be a variety of projects; Global Scholars and exchange teams. Scott says most international activities include humanitarian Global Grants. Our Club currently has a Global Scholar, Samantha Reich. Samantha is currently studying near Paris. She currently attends Rotary meetings at Saint-Cloud RC, with hopes to join Rotary after her May 2021 graduation with a Master's Degree with an emphasis on Humanitarian Aid.

Currently Rotary Club of Arlington is involved with Gracias a Dios, Honduras. Gracias a Dios is at the far NE portion of Honduras and is on the coast. It is very isolated, having no roads, you have to travel by plane or boat. Last year within two weeks Gracias a Dios was hit with two Category 4 hurricanes. The Arlington Rotary Club Foundation has approved and sent \$10,000 in aid for La Moskitia, Gracias a Dios.

Our Club is also providing aid to Australia after the January 2020 wildfires. The wildfires burned more than 50,000 acres. Our Club coordinated alongside other Clubs in our district to raise funds for aid and collectively was able to send \$12,925.

Grant DR271 came through at a total of \$25,000 enabling funds to be distributed to food banks in Wichita Falls, Abilene and Tarrant County.

Disaster Relief GG2012827 host sponsor was Rotary Club of Arlington and was administered by PDG Peter Scott. There was an overwhelming response from district Clubs and individuals. Between TRF matches for DDF and Clubs/

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#### CONGRATULATIONS!

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

Norman Douglas 38 Years February 1, 1983 Hal Thurow 38 Years February 1, 1983 Hugh Ross 60 Years February 2, 1961 Fred Weekley 5 Years February 6, 2016 (Last Thursday, Continued from page 2)

individuals the total funding for DR GG2012827 was \$160,593. This is the largest Global Grant in our districts history.

Another Global Grant Rotary Club of Arlington is involved in is in Nepal. Central Nepal was hit by a 7.8 magnitude earthquake in 2015 killing 9,000 people & losing half of their schools. The Global Grant has been used to rebuild schools and toilets in Karve and Sindhuli Districts per Scott. The school is set to be completed by end of February, first of March 2021.

In honor of the program president, Susie presented The Book *Child Soldier* to Webb Elementary on behalf of Scott Hendricks.

Tom Ware gave The Last Laugh.

Kurt Bartley reminded Rotarians not to miss next week's program; Dawud Mabon. Kurt then recited this week's quote and then led Rotarians in the Four Way Test and we were adjourned.

## PROPOSED MEMBER

## **Heidi Hardy**

Community Service/Association/Management/YMCA (Active)

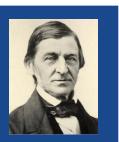
Sponsor: Val Gibson Mentor: Grace Whetstone

#### **Great Links to Click**

ArlingtonRotary.com
Rotary Club of Arlington Facebook
Rotary District 5790
Rotary International



**Ralph Waldo Emerson** 



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### **BIRTHDAYS**

Bob Cooke Birthday Fund January 31 – February 6

#### February 1 Mia Russo

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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Rotarian Jill Regina with another volunteer at the Fish Creek Cleanup Challenge.



## Raul Gonzales and Kurt Bartley join in the Fish Creek Cleanup fun.



## amazonsmile

Joyce Stanton

#### Here's How Amazon SMILE Purchases Can Benefit the ARLINGTON ROTARY FOUNDATION

Shop Amazon Smile and designate <u>Arlington Rotary</u>
Foundation as the beneficiary.

## **ZOOM LINK FOR OUR NEXT MEETING**Click This Link to Join Our Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88294278772?pwd=QytrelQ3bitINVFEd2xKVFlaNjNtQT09

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