# Hubcap

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In this edition: Meet in-person or Zoom link, coming events, and more...

### President's Message

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By Susie Wine McAlister

UR FIRST IN-PERSON MEETING OF THE YEAR was held at the church last Thursday; it actually felt like the first meeting ever! It was obvious that our Rotarians have missed other Rotarians. Even though everyone was wearing a mask, there were warm greetings and social interaction everywhere. As Pastor Chris said, changes will be coming step by step.

This week, those that are vaccinated will not be required to wear a mask at our meeting. Hopefully, we will get to sit a little closer together too. As to serving lunch, we will have to wait a little longer. Right now it would be hard to predict how many will attend the in-person meeting, and hard to tell a caterer how many to prepare for.

This is a busy week for our club. "Lisann Peters Read with Rotary" will be held Tuesday and Wednesday at Webb Elementary. This is a very rewarding program we do for the students where they get to pick out a book from the book fair, put their name in it, and take it home. For some students, it might be the first book they have of their own. With our regular meeting on Thursday and the Board meeting on Friday, this is a good week to get involved. Please join us at the church this week, in-person, so we can all share in Rotary fellowship.



#### IT HAPPENED LAST THURSDAY By Lee Anne Lawson

RST LIVE MEETING IN A YEAR, AT 1<sup>ST</sup> METHODIST CHURCH, downtown Arlington! (In-person or zoom option)

President Susie McAlister opened the meeting. She informed us that more volunteers are needed at Arlington Charities, 4<sup>th</sup> Friday in May. Also, Kay King told us of a blood drive on June 17 at our meeting site, 1<sup>st</sup> Methodist Church. The prayer and pledge were led by Chris Hayes, pastor of 1<sup>st</sup> Methodist.

The singing of God Bless America was remarkably better sounding, LIVE, and with piano accompaniment!!

Sally Hopper notified us of birthdays: Marti Van Ravensway Waddell and Michael Jacobson.

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Historic photo showing our first time meeting again in person after the pandemic of 2020 wearing our masks and keeping apart!



PDG Peter and President Susie attend Forty Futures graduation.



Our speaker, Tracy Lawson, discussed her historical novel, <u>Answering Liberty's Call: Anna</u> <u>Stone's Daring Ride to Valley Forge: A Novel</u>

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Anniversaries: Jeff Williams 21 years, Robert Shepard 22 years

Scott Hendricks received the Paul Harris Fellow +4 pin.

Peter Scott introduced today's speaker, Tracy Lawson, a novelist, dance teacher and choreographer. She moved to the DFW area after her husband joined the SMU faculty, and has had 9 books published. Her motto: Have laptop, will travel; author Tracy Lawson hits the road to research historical novels.

She discussed her very interesting historical novel; Answering Liberty's Call: Anna Stone's Daring Ride to Valley Forge: A Novel.

I bought a copy at the meeting, but noticed it is also for sale on amazon. Here is a brief overview:

In January 1778, Anna Stone is a twenty-nine-yearold healer, wife of a rebellious Baptist-preacherturned-soldier, and mother of three. Her husband, Benjamin, writes from Valley Forge with worrisome tidings. Anna's brothers, Henry and Jeremiah, who are in Benjamin's unit, have contracted smallpox. Benjamin downplays the severity of their illness in his letter, which arouses Anna's suspicions that he, too, is ill. Not content to remain at home in Virginia, Anna packs food and supplies, leaves her children with family, and strikes out alone on horseback for Pennsylvania. Anna knows that, should Benjamin perish, the county orphan's court will appoint a male guardian to oversee her children's futureswithout regard for her preferences. After her experience being raised under the care of a guardian, Anna vows to move heaven and earth to keep her children from suffering the same fate. In her efforts to render the aid that will hold her family together, Anna is swept into a plot that could spell dire consequences for George Washington, the Continental Army, and the new nation's quest for liberty. *Answering Liberty's Call* is based on family legend and events in the lives of the author's six

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Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much. "



Helen Keller

Rotary

#### PAUL HARRIS FELLOW +4



#### Scott Hendricks

#### Rotary

Scott Hendricks was surprised to receive his PH+4 in person.

#### MISS THE LAST MEETING?

The recording of the last Zoom meeting can be viewed for a limited time by clicking <u>HERE</u>. Passcode: QCY3+jMR

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

ARLINGTON CHARITIES MAY 28, 8:30 AM TO 11:00 AM SIGN UP AT <u>ARLINGTONROTARY.COM</u>



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times great-grandparents.

Tracy had visited the areas of Virginia and Pennsylvania where Anna had lived and traveled, and showed us photos. She told us more details about Anna, that she had lived to be 90, and was a true heroine in her community

Webb Elementary library received a book in Tracy Lawson's honor, appropriately titled, "Broadway's Leading Ladies, from A to Z."

End Polio Now coins were handed out to 3 people: Don Mebus, Kathleen Smith and Tommy Thompson.

Parting thought, by the Dalai Lama: "Be kind whenever possible. It is always possible."

# ROTARY BLOOD DRIVE JUNE 17, 2021 9:00 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M. CHURCH PARKING LOT.

## **BOARD MEETING**

OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF ARLINGTON

**IN-PERSON** OR BY **ZOOM** 

This Friday, May 21 at 11:30 am

In-person at Legacy Financial 1205 W. Abram St. (park in the back and use the back door)

Any club member may attend. To join the meeting by Zoom, just <u>click this link</u>:



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1115	BIRTHDAYS
	Bob Cooke Birthday Fund May 16 —May 22
May 17	John Dancer
May 18	Chris Hayes
May 20	Bryan Roberts
May 22	Calvin McKaig

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!)

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

<u>ArlingtonRotary.com</u> <u>Rotary Club of Arlington Facebook</u> <u>Rotary District 5790</u> <u>Rotary International</u>

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# INSTALLATION DINNER June 24, 6:00 p.m. ROLLING HILLS

Make reservations and pay online at arlingtonrotary.com

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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=QytrelQ3bitINVFEd2xKVFlaNjNtQT09 Meeting ID: 882 9427 8772 Passcode: 1923 One tap mobile