Hubcap

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In this edition: <u>Zoom link</u>, Read withRotary, Rotary Scholar Veronica, and more...

Read with Rotary

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PEOPLE OF ACTION

HE LISANN PETERS' READ WITH ROTARY IS ON MAY 18-19, 2021 at Webb Elementary during the school's Scholastic Book Fair. Karen Patterson, the Librarian has the book fair set up in her library where each student in the school comes through the fair and picks out a book to take home as their very own. Our Rotary Club volunteers attend the book fair from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm each day and have short conversations with each student about reading and why they picked out that particular book. We put a Rotary label on the inside cover of the book where they sign their name. There are over 700 students at Webb and every child receives a book. The Rotary Foundation paid \$1,835.32 in 2019 and \$2,884.81 in 2020 for the books; before that, Lisann paid for the books. I believe the program started about 15 years ago.

Read with Rotary was renamed 2 years ago after her passing, in honor of Lisann and her years of dedication to the program. She not only wrote checks to financially support the cause, she also attended the events at which the books were given to the children. She would literally encourage each child to read 'their very own book' and all books so that they could learn and travel the world through stories. Lisann believed that learning to read

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THIS WEEK AT ROTARY

Stove Team International "400 Cigarettes Per Hour" COMING SOON

May 13	<u>Tracy Lawson,</u> <u>Author</u>	Have Laptop, Will Travel
May 20	<u>Bud Kennedy</u>	Eats Beat

IT HAPPENED LAST THURSDAY By Heather Kipker

RESIDENT SUSIE MCALISTER CALLED OUR ZOOM MEETING TO ORDER AT 12:06 PM. Josh Desse led us in the prayer and pledge. Sal Capuli asked for volunteers for the prayer and pledge for May, and once again we need Greeters beginning May 13!

Announcements: If you have volunteered outside of Rotary, please write the hours and where you volunteered in the Chat Box. Volunteers are still needed for Lisann Peter's Read with Rotary. Contact Joy Bates if you can help. Diane Patrick announced the Installation Banquet will be June 24 at 6:00 PM. This event will be in place of that day's

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changed the lives of children and their families. It was her desire that every child learn not only to read but to learn to love reading.

Joy Bates

Webb School Community Service Director, 2020-21

Volunteers Needed at Webb for Read with Rotary May 18 or May 19

Volunteers Hours available in blocks of 1,2 or 3 hrs.

Rotarians can email Joy Bates at <u>jbates@legacyfinancial.com</u> to let her know when you would like to volunteer.

Joy also needs someone who can coordinate last minute changes as she will be out of the country on those days.

If you're not making someone else's life better, then you're wasting your time. Your life will become better by making other lives better. "



Rotary

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regular meeting. Location to be announced soon. Sally Hopper announced we have collected \$550 in honor of Hugh Ross and donations to Rotary Foundation are still being accepted. Birthdays for Coy Garrett on April 25 and Norm Douglas on April 27 were recognized. Coy's birthday check is in the mail. Rotary anniversaries this week include Melody Fowler, 3 years; Valerie Landry, 10 years; Sal Capuli, 28 years; and Sam Scott 36 years!

Peter Scott introduced our speaker, Veronica Rodriguez and noted that after all these years she is the first Webb Elementary graduate to ever join Rotary! Her list of accomplishments is amazing! She presented "Journey from Webb Scholar to Rotarian." She told how hers was the first group to receive Webb scholarships in 1995 and that she and several of her class received them. She recalled Camp Grady Spruce and said her sister was also a Webb Scholar. She received a B.S. in International Political Economics with a focus on the Middle East. Veronica said it was due to Rotary's help she was able to finish college with no debt. Bill Hinds encouraged her to apply for an Ambassadorial Scholarship. She did and was awarded this scholarship to study for her Masters in Santiago, Chile two years into the future. During that two years, she became a stewardess for United Arab Emirates and moved to Dubai where she met and worked with people from all over the world. At the end of two years, she moved to Santiago and studied at the prestigious University of Chile. While there she spoke to numerous Rotary Clubs all over the country. In 2014 she received her Masters in International Political Commercial Trading. She moved back to Dubai and worked in high quality disaster supplies. She now works at an International Humanitarian Logistics Data Bank. They work to improve communication and dissemination of disaster supplies to locations where they are needed when disasters like monsoons, hurricanes and civil unrest strike. She will soon return to Webb to help with the Read with

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MISS THE LAST MEETING?

The recording of the last Zoom meeting can be viewed for a limited time by clicking <u>HERE</u>. Passcode: Y9A?9@s1



New member, Veronica Rodriguez, spoke of her journey from Webb student to Webb Scholar, to Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar, to Rotarian.

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Rotary program. She wants to reconnect with Webb Scholars and collect their stories. Diane Patrick suggested she write the stories and put them into a book to benefit students in the future. Clete McAlister suggested this project become a part of the Centennial Celebration coming in two years.

President Susie presented Veronica with a book that will go to the Webb School Library. Tom Ware gave us a Last Laugh. We were reminded that our meeting on May 13 will be back at the Church! After repeating the Four Way Test, President Susie rang the bell and that was the end of another really great Rotary meeting!

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

HOW I USED THE WEBB SCHOLARSHIP

- As a student, the scholarship awarded \$750 USD per semester.
- It was designated for tuition and books and available for a total of 8 semesters of college or in some cases an approved vocational school.
- This scholarship program was started in 1995, and the first student to attend college on a Webb/Rotary scholarship was in the Fall of 2002.
- Brookhaven Community College (2005–2007)
 Associates' Degree in Business Administration
- University of Texas at Dallas (2008-2010)
 - Bachelor's Degree In International Political Economy
 - Area of focus was the Middle East

Fun Fact: I was able to graduate from Jr. college and UTD with no debt (this was with the help of various scholarships including the Webb Scholarship).



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BIRTHDAYS

Bob Cooke Birthday FundApril May 2—May 8

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May 5 Joy Nunn

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!)



CONGRATULATIONS!

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

Jim Orr	30 Years	May 2, 1991
lffy Ozomah	2 Years	May 2, 2019
Jill Regina	5 Years	May 5, 2016

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