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# Hubcap

# Club of Arlington

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In this edition: Zoom meeting link, Membership Month, Downtown Arlington, and more...

# Rotary District Awards By Past President, Tom Ware



HE ROTARY DISTRICT AWARDS WERE PRESENTED TWO SATURDAYS AGO BY PDG PETER SCOTT in the manner to which we've grown accustomed during his year as governor of District 5790 and my year as president of our club during a pandemic – virtually online. Well over a hundred Rotarians gathered on our laptops, phones and pads to hear the exciting news. Peter decided for his year as governor, he would set some goals that all the clubs could meet if they stretched their goals and reported their results - and the vibrant clubs would win.

Before announcing the winners, several of our club mentioned incredible members were as contributors to his leadership team: PDG Hugh Ross and PRID Don Mebus who gave the "best advice ever" according to Peter. Scott Hendricks was Global Grants Specialist, Walter Virden was District Treasurer, Joyce Stanton was District Secretary. Sally Hopper also served on the District Foundation team along with Don Mebus. In what may be the first appointment of its kind, my wife Suzy Ware was designated District Artist! I think that was due to a bribe in the form of a portrait presented to DG Peter during his Governor's Official Visit to our club (but it is a really nice watercolor portrait.)

On to the awards. The Rotary Club of Arlington won in both categories! Our club was one of only fourteen presented the Vibrant Club Award. You should all be proud of earning this because it can only happen with a continually active membership who wraps their arms around all that Rotary means

### THIS WEEK AT ROTARY

By **Zoom** 

**Dr. Alison Hall Birch**Understanding Microaggressions

# IT HAPPENED LAST THURSDAY By Carey F. Walker

HE WEEKLY MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 12:05 PM BY PRESIDENT SUSIE MCALISTER. Heather Kipker offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Donna Mack sang a beautiful rendition of "God Bless America". Guests were introduced and we had no visiting Rotarians.

Peter Scott informed the club that we had once again been awarded the Presidential Citation Award from the President of Rotary International. Our club also received another Vibrant Club Award from Rotary International. Randy Hendricks encouraged us to bring a visitor. Visitors are the way in which we can show what we do and get people to want to be a part of our "vibrant" organization. Clete McAlister reminded us of the upcoming Arlington Field of Honor and is looking for volunteers to help assemble flags at Arlington Veteran's Park.

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and strives for. Our Board of Directors is amazing and as I've said many times, things just happen in our club because we have so many champions that just act because they are leaders and leaders make things happen without be asked or herded. One more time, I will thank you for that during my year as president.

We were one of three winners in the Governor's Cup competition thanks to a special cup presented by DG Peter – we earned the Governor's Cup for Best DG Home Club Ever! So, thank you PDG Peter Scott and your wife Lynn for supporting you, thus making Rotary Year 2019-2020 a special one.

70m Ware, IPP





#### ZOOM LINK FOR OUR NEXT MEETING Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5768219463? pwd=NWVLaitVMTN1aUVJQUVrNXZ0WXgvdz09

Meeting ID: 576 821 9463 **Passcode: 9254** 

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Sally Hopper announced Rotarians with birthdays and anniversaries. Richard Greene, Shellie McMillon, Deborah Coppola and Bill Zedler were all celebrating birthdays this week. Wally Berndt, Bill Coppola and Joan Church had anniversaries of 30, 8 and 6 years, respectively.

Kurt Bartley introduced the speaker and the program for the day. The speaker was our own Maggie Campbell. Maggie Campbell has a Bachelor of Arts in History from the University of Texas. She has two grown children, and is an entrepreneurial leader with thirty-plus years working with downtown organizations and cities revitalizing their downtowns.

Maggie has worked for MIG, Inc. a nationally known planning, design and communications firm based in California. Maggie has worked in the Main Street Program in Texas, Oklahoma and Mississippi. Additionally, Maggie has served as the Events Manager for Downtown Fort Worth, managing major events and festivals such as Main St. Fort Worth Arts Fest. Maggie now serves as the President and CEO of the Downtown Arlington Management Corporation.

Downtown Arlington Management Corporation (DAMC), mission is to support economic, cultural and educational vitality of downtown Arlington. DAMC is a 501@3 entity. In 2010 Downtown Arlington Business Improvement District (BID) was created. A BID is a legal funding mechanism providing for self-assessment on properties within the approved BID boundaries. DAMC provides services on behalf of the City of Arlington through the BID Management Plan. This is done through a contract that DAMC has with the City of Arlington.

DAMC made an early COVID 19 response in order to serve the members of BID. The number one priority was to serve BID members in a very meaningful way. DAMC created messaging to all BID members that was helpful, hopeful and

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#### CONGRATULATIONS!

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

April Pettitt 2 Years August 23, 2018

Michael Jacobson 4 Years August 25, 2016

Bill Zedler 10 Years August 26, 2010

Kurt Bartley 16 Years August 27, 2004

Meg Wells 23 Years August 28, 1997

#### **CLUB GOALS FOR 2020-21**

 

 GOAL
 YTD

 Polio Plus
 \$5,000
 \$200

 Annual Fund/ EREY
 \$15,000
 \$919

New Members +15

The all time total giving from the Rotary Cub of Arlington to the <u>Rotary International Foundation</u> is an amazing **\$854,771**.

Every obstacle yields to stern resolve."

Leonardo da Vinci



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informative. DAMC created the Downtown Delivers website to help the restaurant industry within the BID. DAMC created and produced a series of podcasts that focused on the history of downtown Arlington.

DAMC partners with the City of Arlington, The University of Texas at Arlington, the Greater Arlington Chamber of Commerce and the Arlington Convention and Visitors Bureau. These partnerships allow DAMC to have a greater impact on its mission.

What is next for DAMC? New initiatives for DAMC include the following: developing a Public Art Plan; produce Arlington on Tap as streaming content; explore creation of a Downtown Artist in Residence program; create and produce a Health and Wellness series as streaming content with the Levitt Pavilion; and explore the feasibility of adding video surveillance, increased lighting, crosswalks in high-traffic areas, all in cooperation with the private sector and the Arlington Police Department.

Downtown Outdoors is a new campaign being brought to you by DAMC. Downtown Outdoors is DAMC's platform for discovering and experiencing the great outdoors in the heart of the city. Downtown Outdoors is a vehicle to help residents and others to view history and the cultural district in a new way.

DAMC's 2020 Annual Meeting is being called "On the Road Again". It is scheduled for September 10, 2020 from 5:30pm-7 PM. The meeting will be conducted using a Facebook Live Stream. This event will be celebrating Downtown Arlington's Revitalization. The live streaming services will be provided by the Levitt.

How can we help support Downtown Arlington? We are encouraged to shop local; frequent downtown restaurants; support the local arts such as Theatre Arlington, The Arlington Music

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### **BIRTHDAYS**

Bob Cooke Birthday Fund August 23 – August 29

August 28 Jill Regina

**August 29** Fred Weekley

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!)





## Thank You!

A very special thank you to the 12 Rotarians who put in a total of 48 hours this past weekend assembling 911 flags for the Arlington Field of Honor Community Project! —Susie McAlister

Rotary Club of Arlington Arlington GSW Rotary

April Pettitt Chris Pettitt

Clete McAlister Arlington Sunset Rotary

Jim Quick Gary Mitchell Joy Bates Larka Tetens

Kurt Bartley Arlington Sunrise Rotary

Paul Fulks Jack Webb

Sally Hopper Susie Wine McAlister (Last Thursday, Continued from page 3)

Hall and the Arlington Museum of Art. If you need more information, please visit downtownarlington.org.

Maggie reminded us of the importance of UTA students are to downtown Arlington. UTA is on its way to becoming a Tier One Research University. Students are returning to their dorms and apartments. They are a crucial part of Arlington's economy. New apartments in downtown are close to opening to make room for the growth at UTA. Main 7 is under construction in close proximity to UTA. It is an exciting time for the revitalization of Downtown Arlington!

Susie informed us that next week's program will be presented by Dr. Allison Hall Birch, Understanding Microaggressions. She also reminded us that August is Membership Month, so invite a friend to join us!

A book was donated to Webb Elementary school to honor Maggie.

Susie provided the following quote: "The trick is to find some laughter among the tears". Hoskilonians #884

Susie thanked the special guests and everyone else for coming. She then led us in the Four Way Test and we were adjourned.

#### MISS LAST WEEK'S MEETING?

The recording of last week's Zoom meeting can be viewed for a limited time (one week) by clicking **Here.** Password is: !n2OM!F@





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