

Rotary Club of Arlington



Hubcap

The Official Weekly Publication of the Rotary Club of Arlington

September 17, 2020

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President's Message

By *Susie Wine McAlister*



What an AMAZING week! Thank you so much to all the wonderful volunteers that came to help at the Arlington Field of Honor. I was so proud to see our club members show up and help with this meaningful project. It was a beautiful sight! Being a community project, it was perfect that we had so many Rotarians being "People of Action". Volunteering to serve others is not only valuable to the organization you are helping, but it will do more for your self than you know.

This week we face another opportunity to help others. North Texas Giving Day is Thursday, September 17. With the current situation, the nonprofits are not able to have their usual displays downtown to let others know what they do and who they serve, so it will now be strictly virtual. Coming from the non-profit world myself, I'm sure they are all in difficult situations where they cannot have their usual fundraisers, dinners, and socials. They need our help more than ever.

Attached to this Hubcap is a list of the nonprofits which have a connection to our Rotary Club. Now would be a great time to read over the list, go to their websites, and see who our members are serving, and what their companies do. It's a good time to learn more about some of our club members and what they do to serve others in our community.

Once again, let's be "People of Action" and support our local charities!

Susie Wine McAlister
President, 2020-21



THIS WEEK AT ROTARY

Steven D. Morris

Theatre Arlington

COMING SOON

Sept. 24	Steven Kleiber	<i>Classification Talk</i>
October 8	Michael Jacobson	<i>Arlington Chamber of Commerce</i>

IT HAPPENED LAST THURSDAY

By *Bonnie S. Harris*

THE WEEKLY ZOOM MEETING OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF ARLINGTON WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT SUSIE MCALISTER on Thursday September 10, 2020. A glimpse of the majestic rows of American Flags in The Arlington Field of Honor at Veteran's Park waved in the background. 911 full-sized flags were honorably placed by fellow Rotarians this week to remember the individuals who lost their lives September 11, 2001 when our country was attacked by terrorists. Mary Jean Moloney shared the prayer and led us in reciting the "Pledge of Allegiance." Donna Mack then blessed us with a beautiful acapella version of "God Bless America."

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BIRTHDAYS

Bob Cooke Birthday Fund
Sept. 13 – Sept. 19

Sept. 18 Angie Meister

Sept. 19 Paul Burnett

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!)

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A large number of visitors and visiting Rotarians were warmly greeted and welcomed. (Mary German, Veronica Griffith, Peggy Smith, Deidra Garcia, Nikkie Hunter, Pat Kaufman, Aundre Blasingame, Jeff Scott, and our speaker Dr. Todd Jenkins)

Joe Way reminded us that there will be a virtual press conference today at 3 PM to introduce Shereka Wright, our new UTA women's basketball coach.

Last week, Matt Wilson announced that a number of sporting events are on their way to Arlington. The Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association just announced that The Wranglers National Finals Rodeo (which is usually held in Las Vegas) will be taking place at Globe Life Field December 3-12, 2020. YeeHaw!!

Peter Scott, membership chairperson, commended our club for the high number of members who are actively engaged in club projects and activities. He also reported that of our 140 members, 47 are female and 93 are male. 43% of members are under the age of 60 and 33% of our members are under the age of 50. Although we do not track ethnicity, race, religion or native language; Mr. Scott feels that our club has done a good job of fulfilling the criteria of diversity.

Nancy Blinn reminded us that next Thursday, September 17 is North Texas Giving Day. With so many Rotarians represented and connected to the non-profit organizations in our area, be generous with your donations and gifts. There will be an attachment in the Hubcap listing all the organizations with which we are affiliated.

Our newest member is Nadia Atiya who was inducted today with the presentation of a Red Badge, a Rotary Pin and a Rotary Certificate. Bryan Roberts is her sponsor and Mia Russo is her mentor. Nadia is excited about getting involved in community events and projects. Welcome to the best Rotary Club in Texas!

Happy Birthday was sung to those with birthdays this week (listed in your Hubcap). Don't forget that it is a fun tradition to write a check to the Rotary Foundation for the

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CONGRATULATIONS!



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

Tom Long	4 Years	Sept. 15, 2016
Mike Jarrett	5 Years	Sept. 17, 2015
Jim Fulgham	17 Years	Sept. 18, 2003

ZOOM LINK FOR OUR NEXT MEETING

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5768219463?pwd=NWVLaUVMtN1aUVjQUVrNXZ0WXdvdz09>

Meeting ID: 576 821 9463

Passcode: 9254

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[Rotary International](#)

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number of years you are “old.” This is just another way we can “give back” to the wonderful service projects that are going on all over the world!

Our presentation by Dr. Todd Jenkins was an enthusiastic and optimistic discussion about the differences between diversity and inclusivity. Dr. Bowtie Todd has been a Rotarian since he was 24 years old. He has been active in Rotaract, Youth Exchange Officer, District Leadership Academy, Zone Institute Emerging Leader Graduate, Chair and Advisor of Youth Programs, Rotary International Webinar Speaker, International Youth Services Speaker and Trainer, Harvard graduate and now owns his own company.

His contact info: www.bowtieleadership.com or bowtietodd@bowtieleadership.com.

He explained that the bow tie he wears opens many doors. It tweaks curiosity in the people he meets and starts either a conversation or evokes a comment. The acronym he used was:

Be mentally present

Open to new ideas

Willingness to share your own story and truths to engage others

Tie (the center knot) holds everything together when engaging and sharing with people

Diversity is two-fold: visible differences and invisible differences. Inclusion, on the other hand, is the creation of a climate where individuals behave in such a way that all visible and invisible differences are respected, seen and heard. He then defined two terms which made us all think. Equity, for instance, is an environment where everyone gets a shoe that fits them; whereas equality is where everyone gets the same shoe, whether it fits or not. Dr. Bowtie Jenkins suggests that inclusion builds a stronger, innovative experience and shared value for the global world, for Rotarians, and for communities in which we serve. Everyone is included and respected; therefore everyone wins. He gave us encouragement that there is HOPE to build a stronger, more diverse, and inclusive Rotary. Inclusion starts with the letter “I.” In other

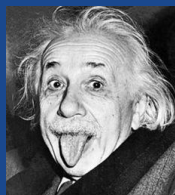
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CLUB GOALS FOR 2020-21

	GOAL	YTD
Polio Plus	\$5,000	\$200
Annual Fund/EREY	\$15,000	\$919
Net New Members	+15	
Member Inductions		2

The all time total giving from the Rotary Club of Arlington to the [Rotary International Foundation](#) is an amazing **\$854,771**.

“Life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance, you must keep moving.”
Albert Einstein



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words, look at yourself and figure out where YOU have weaknesses, biases, and narrow thinking. He offered a free test you can take to self-reflect and assess your personal biases (gender, age, race, religion, sexual orientation, language, etc). It is called the “Harvard IAT Test” (<https://implicit.harvard.edu/implicit/takeatest.html>).

Our Rotary International President Holgar Knaack has created a 7-member task force whose action plan is to figure out how Rotary, a global leader of peace and service, can become more inclusive. Dr. Bowtie Todd has been nominated to become a member of this task force and is expertly qualified.

A book was donated to the Webb Elementary School Library in Dr. Bowtie Todd Jenkins’ honor. Chris Landrith gave the “last laugh,” and we were dismissed after reciting the Four-Way Test and the ringing of the bell. 🕒

MISS LAST WEEK’S MEETING?

The recording of last week’s Zoom meeting can be viewed for a limited time (one week) by

World Polio Day 24 October

ENDING POLIO FOREVER

Rotary has been working to eradicate polio for over 30 years, and our goal of ridding the earth of this disease is in sight. We started in 1979 with vaccinations for 6 million children in the Philippines. Today, Afghanistan, Nigeria, and Pakistan are the only countries where polio remains endemic.

[Help us in the final push.](#)



Thanks, Rotarians for the sponsorship, volunteer hours, and support!



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