



# THE HUB

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### TODAY'S PROGRAM

*Program Chair of the Day: John Brown*

## Norman Alston and Brian Luallen

### The New Hotel Tax, The New Convention Center and A Renovated Fair Park



Norman Alston, FAIA, has more than 42 years of professional experience in architecture and planning. After 10 years of doing what he refers to as "normal" architecture, he founded Norman Alston Architects and has focused his career on historic preservation, his true architectural passion. Over his career, he has been able to integrate historic buildings into the urban fabric while creating a wider culture of preservation that embraces the unique character of a community's architectural legacy. Norman also serves on the City of Dallas Urban Design Peer Review Panel, the Texas Historical Commission's Antiquities Advisory Board, and is the current President of Preservation Dallas.

Most significantly, he was a founding member of Fair Park First, a non-profit that has taken on the preservation and revitalization of the 277-acre Fair Park National Historic Landmark in Dallas and is actively involved in current improvements as well as extensive planning for Fair Park's future.



Brian Luallen is the inaugural CEO of Fair Park First. He has more than 20 years of experience in destination events. His career has been dedicated to developing and delivering impactful experiences for employees and guests relaunching attractions, and growing public-private partnerships

Brian's work transforming concepts into reality has been featured in Time Magazine, The Wall Street Journal and numerous other national media outlets. He holds degrees in education and pre-law from Georgia State University and enjoys living in Dallas with his wife, Tina.

### RCPCIN ACTION

#### RCPC Members Out and About



President **Jeff McNaughton** attended Paper For Water's Annual Gala to celebrate their year. They have now raised over \$3.5 million to drill water for those in need.

PPs **Richard Stanford** and **Pam Carvey** on Oct 14th 2022 in the Pope's office in Castel Gandolfo outside Rome, Italy. Note Rotary bell on table at back of room



#### Have You –

- been somewhere interesting
- visited an out-of-town Rotary Club
- been seen at a charity event

Send a picture (or 2) and a few sentences for The Hub!

#### More Fun + Service To Come

- **Saturday, Nov. 12**  
Foot Care Project - Salvation Army
- **Saturday, Nov. 19**  
Dentistry With a Heart
- **Sunday, Nov. 20, 1:00-6:00 pm**  
UP Tree Lighting in Snider Plaza
- **Thursday, Dec. 1,**  
Scottish Rite Popcorn Packing
- **Saturday, Dec. 3, 1:00-3:30 pm**  
Salvation Army Distribution Center
- **Thursday, Dec. 15, 6:00pm**  
Holiday Party and C.C. Collie's 100th Birthday Party!

#### Needed!

**New Printer for The Hub!**  
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### DISTRICT 5810

#### Volunteers Needed

*from DG Howard Templin*

The Dallas Fire Rescue is celebrating 150 years of serving the City of Dallas. and this public celebration will be Oct. 28-30, 2022 (**this Friday-Sunday**) at the Ladders and Lagers Festival held at Community Beer and hosted by the Dallas Firefighter's Museum. This festival is only held once and once only.

They are in need of volunteers because the event has grown. They specifically need several positions and Firefighter Challenge (ESPN will be there too!). You can see all the volunteer opportunities available here: <https://www.laddersandlagers.org/volunteer>.

*Be a vibrant and Visionary Model of Service Above and Beyond Self*

### LAST WEEK

Presiding: **Jeff McNaughton** Invocation/  
Pledge: **Paul Pirok**  
Photographer: **Cindy Cummings**  
Chair of the Day: **Herb Hammond**  
Speaker: State Sen. **Nathan Johnson**  
Program: **The Upcoming Legislative Session**



President **Jeff McNaughton** called the meeting to order. **Paul Pirok** gave the invocation, noting that we had no new concerns today.

She led the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner." President **Jeff** asked for Happy Bucks. Then he introduced our visitors and guests. Several visitors were soon-to-be members. One of our visitors was from The Ukraine, but he and his family now live in Plano. Another guest, from District 9141 in Nigeria, is looking for a "Rotary home." She said she is having difficulty with the times clubs meet because the clubs in Nigeria met in the evening.

**Eric Harrison** introduced our Marketplace Advertiser of the week, PP **Karen Farris** and Roach Howard Smith and Barton.

President **Jeff** reminded us of the many service projects coming up during the rest of 2022, including a foot care project with the Salvation Army, a second Dentistry with a Heart, the Snider Plaza Tree Lighting, Popcorn Packing at Scottish Rite Hospital, and many others.

He then asked Senator Johnson to pick the winning ticket for our weekly lottery drawing. The lottery has now stands at \$1,111.00. There was no winner, so try again next week.

**Herb Hammond** introduced our speaker today, State Senator **Nathan Johnson**. He began by saying that he wanted to bring us some information about the upcoming legislative session, but also to encourage us to stay engaged during the session. Try to find out what is going on in state government because it controls education, highways, water, and many, many other things important to everyday life. He said don't get preoccupied with issues at the federal level and ignore the issues in the state. He said he does not lament the two



### Please remember ...

Please let us know your joys and concerns.

party system because it creates competition, both in business and in politics. he believes the best things are created through the competition of ideas, but when one side always wins, then he believes the quality of the ideas starts to decrease. The legislature will face one of the biggest challenges a legislature can face. It is not a shortfall; those just require across the board cuts. We have a generally conservative outlook on spending which has served us well. However, we have a surplus, which is more difficult because it requires that you spend money responsibly. If you create something new, there may not be money to pay for it in future years. This year our surplus is \$27 billion. The state's biennial budget is \$250 billion, so why do we have this surplus? The Texas economy came roaring back after COVID; also prices are up due to inflation which brings in more sales tax revenue and high rate for oil and gas are generating more revenue. It is a difficult, daunting task to spend the surplus responsibly. There is a constitutional limit on how much can go to the Rainy Day Fund. Some of the surplus could be spent on infrastructure; spending on it has fallen off in the last few years. Some of the governmental services have been underfunded, also. The governments computers are very outdated. He said that if the state does not invest in infrastructure, it will not be as successful in the future. There are so many things that Texas has going for it. He is glad that some groups are using "empirical politics" which gathers data to make recommendations. One critical issue is water, but there must be a long term plan. He believes that some of the surplus should be spent on education, which will also take some of the pressure off of taxes. He is optimistic that there will be bi-partisan cooperation on public education. Another important issue before the legislature is health, including mental health. Mental health has been underfunded in the past. School safety is also an issue, and may be given additional funds. He thinks that good laws will be passed.



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November						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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6	M	M	LL	M	M	Mtg, SpE
13	M	M	M	BD	M	Mtg, SpE
20	M	M	M	M	M	Mtg, SpE
27	M	M	M			

**A=Agape Health Serv Day**

**BD= Bnd of Dirs Mtg, 8am**

**BF=Bonton Farm**

**Cn=PCR Connect Event.**

**CP=ChildsPlay Work Mtg-Jill Jordan.**

**D=District 5810 Event**

**DH=Dentistry with a Heart- Michael Rainwater**

**F=Fellowship Event**

**FF=RCPC Foundation Fund Mtg- Ed Fjordbak**

**FT=NTFB Truck.**

**FB=NTFB Evt- Susan Glen**

**In=Interact Special Project 8 am - Tracy Gomes.**

**LL=Legacy of Leadership**

**M=Meals on Wheels-**

**Jim Weichel**

**Mn=Mentoring at Hillcrest H various days, times**

**Mc=Ronald McDonald House 1 x/mo-Kathleen Klaviter**

**NM=New Member Event**

**Pr= Program Committee Mtg**

**RL=Readers2Leaders-various days, times- Rob Levy**

**Rct=Rotaract- Ruth Alhaili.**

**SP=Strategic Planning Mtg**

**SpE=Special Service Event**

**VA=Veterans Support- Evan Altemus**

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS



Nov. 4 **Jeff Sexton**  
Topic: TBA



Nov. 11 TBA



Nov. 18 **Patriot Paws**



Nov. 25 **NO Meeting**  
Happy Thanksgiving!

In person at **Maggianos** or watch on YouTube. NO reservation needed!

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- #parkcitiesrotary
- #PeopleOfAction
- #goodthingshappene nonfridays
- #district5810proud

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**Please note** that RCPC meetings and other events are public events where photos and video are customarily taken. By attending you are consenting to free use of your likeness on RCPC and related websites, social media, streaming video, emails, newsletters and similar methods.

**Have a Great Idea for a Speaker? Your ideas are needed!** Send your ideas with the details to Richard Stanford.

**Help Wanted! At ANY RCPC Event or Project.** Take a few pictures, include a few sentences (who, what, when, where and WHY) and send to Betty for The Hub

**RI Foundation:** \$100 (or more) Every Rotarian Every Year! See Greg Pape.

**RCPC Foundation:** \$100 (or more). See Birthdays below, then Kathy Wall..

**Attendance Rule Change.** For those wanting to maintain Perfect Attendance, make-ups may now be completed within a year.

**The Rule of 85.** Attendance requirements change for those who are at least 65 years of age and who have been a member of a Rotary club for twenty years



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## THOUGHTS ON . . .

### The Words of Frank Lloyd Wright

A professional is one who does his best work when he feels the least like working.

An idea is salvation by imagination.

Noble life demands a noble architecture for noble uses of noble men. Lack of culture means what it has always meant: ignoble civilization and therefore imminent downfall.

The longer I live the more beautiful life becomes.

The thing always happens that you really believe in; and the belief in a thing makes it happen.

Tip the world over on its side and everything loose will land in Los Angeles.

The architect should strive continually to simplify; the ensemble of the rooms should then be carefully considered that comfort and utility may go hand in hand with beauty.

The physician can bury his mistakes, but the architect can only advise his client to plant vines

## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

### Rotary and WHO's World Polio Day 2022 and Beyond Event in Geneva Brought Health Experts Together to Share Updates, Exchange Ideas

Global health leaders expressed confidence that polio will be eradicated worldwide and praised the frontline workers who are striving to achieve that goal during an event at the World Health Organization headquarters in Geneva, October, 21-22,

Sponsored by Rotary International and WHO, World Polio Day 2022 and Beyond updated participants and viewers on the status of polio eradication. It also discussed possible community-based solutions that go beyond immunizations to improve the health of mothers and children.

Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, director-general of WHO, speaking at the opening session, said that polio eradication is within reach. He cited the fact that the work of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) has reduced cases by 99.9%, from 350,000 in 1988 to only six cases last year.

### HE WHO LAUGHS, LASTS

A guy wants a divorce. He tells the Judge, "I just can't take it anymore.

Every night she's out until way after midnight, just going from bar to bar."

Judge ask, "What's she doing?"

The guy answers, "Looking for me."

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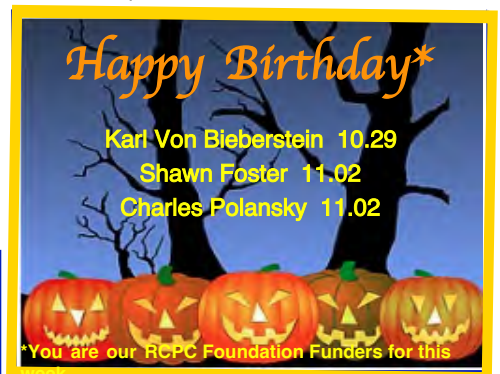
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However, he acknowledged that the global effort has lost ground this year, with 20 cases in Pakistan and two in Afghanistan. Those are the only two countries where the transmission of the wild poliovirus has never been stopped. But the diagnosis of a polio case in the U.S., and the detection of poliovirus in sewage in the United Kingdom "show that polio will remain a global threat until it is eradicated everywhere." Polio cases have also been found in Malawi and Mozambique last year and this year.

Polio immunization programs for children have faced historic disruption, largely because of the COVID-19 pandemic, which has added to the challenges. "Without concerted action, we could lose the gains we have made," Dr. Tedros added.

— excerpted from an article on the RI website



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