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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

January 9th

John Layne

*Western Fiction Writer &
Author*

January 16th

Robert Epstein

Current Military Threat of Iran

January 23rd

TBD

SERVICE ABOVE SELF X3 AND AN UGLY SWEATER CONTEST!

DECEMBER 19 was our last meeting of the year, but 'SERVICE ABOVE SELF' was performed the entire month.



This party was for all Rotary clubs in Plano.

No Rotary party would be complete without a long, funny joke by **LARRY FLANNERY**. Ask him about Carol.

DECEMBER 4 was our **ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY** at the Haggard Party Barn. We served the community two ways. We collected many coats for the **CHRISTMAS COPS**; Santa's helpers were **CAROLYN MOEBIUS** and **RICK HORNE**.



We also signed up volunteers for Habitat for Humanity. We now have over 30 members on our list. Interested? Please contact johnrcaldwell@verizon.net if you would like to help. Our first project will be local repairs rather than building a home. Our member, Gary Garza, is head of operations for Habitat.



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Next was our **REGULAR DECEMBER 19 MEETING AT GLENEAGLES**. President Jeff Beckley was our MC. Our pledge of allegiance was unofficially led by former member **BOB EPSTEIN**, now with the Richardson Rotary. Welcome back!



ensemble.

Daniel played "Prelude to a Kiss" by Duke Ellington, "The Christmas Song" by Robert Wells and Mel Torme, and "Blues for Bassie" by Joe Pass.

After the music, we had our first annual **UGLY SWEATER CONTEST**. The winner got to give \$100 to their favorite charity. We had five! contestants. Jeff held his hand over each Rotarian and listened to the applause. Our finalists were **CARROLYN M. & JOE C.** Joe was the winner and donated the winnings to Hendrick. **SURPRISE!**



JOE CAMARENA'S guest was his daughter, **CHRISTINA**.



We had many new members that received their official Rotary name badges. They got to turn in their badges that had the red stripe. **WELCOME!**

Our entertainment was **DANIEL PINELLA**, from Bogotá Colombia. He is a charismatic and engaging guitar player with an attractive tone and melodic sensibility. His music is rooted in the jazz tradition, but he is also influenced by his Latin American music heritage and modern jazz sounds. His music is complex because of the liberties he takes in terms of harmony, form, and melodic design, framed in a jazz environment where improvisation plays an important role in the creative process.

Currently, Daniel works as a guitarist, composer, and educator in the DFW area. While working in his Doctoral degree in performance, Daniel holds a Teaching Fellowship at UNT as a private instructor for jazz students, as well as directing the L-5 and the Super 400 electric guitar



CAMILLE USSERY reminded us of the stocking stuffing party at her bank and the much-anticipated appearance of Santa and Mrs. Clause at the Samaritan Inn the morning of Christmas Eve.



Just before Santa came on December 24, the children got to decorate and eat cookies.

The Samaritan Inn had 65 children that needed gifts. We bought a wide variety of stocking stuffers for boys and girls of all ages.

The empty stockings were arranged by sex and age. Many elves helped with the fun work until everything was ready for Santa's sleigh/truck.

For privacy reasons, we can't show the residents of the Smartian Inn.



Then we had visitors from the North Pole!



Of course, Santa had many helpers.



After Santa, each family went to a different location, where the adults had chairs and the children had presents.



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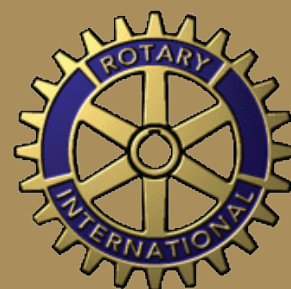
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