



## Tonight's Program:

### **Jalal Mapar**

### **10K, 46Y & Emerging Tech**

#### **Senior Advisor for Emerging Technologies**

**Department of Homeland Security, Science and Technology Directorate**



Jalal Mapar, a member of the Senior Executive Service, serves as a Senior Advisor at DHS S&T and focuses on the identification and impact of emerging technologies and threats in the Homeland Security Enterprise. He represents S&T at several NSTC/OSTP subcommittees (QIS, MLAI, FACE, NSET) and DHS Soft-Target Crowded-Place Executive Steering Committee

(ST-CP ESC). He served as the first Director of the Resilient Systems Division (RSD) at DHS S&T where he directed R&D investments in critical infrastructure resilience and cyber physical systems, disaster management agility, and simulation based predictive analytics. He earned a B.S. and M.S. in Aerospace Engineering (GN&C) from UT Austin, an Executive Certificate in Management and Leadership from MIT Sloan, and a certificate in Government Performance and Leadership Strategies from Harvard Kennedy School.

### Rotary International 4-Way Test

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



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## Upcoming Speakers

Date	Speaker	Topic
Oct. 19	Dr. Bob Jones	A Bug's Life

### Rotarian of the Week

October	
12	Chris Mallin
19	John Whisler
26	Buddy Sadak

### Upcoming Events

October	
26	Halloween Costume Party at River Creek
November	
9	Veterans Day Dinner at River Creek

## Officers & Directors 2023-2024

<b>President:</b> Monika Irchenhauser	<b>Sgt at Arms:</b> Wade Hoo Fatt
<b>President Elect:</b> John Whisler	<b>Director:</b> William Blessing
<b>Past President:</b> Stephen Chapin	<b>Director:</b> John Kimball
<b>Secretary:</b> Dariusz Swietlik	<b>Director:</b> Tom Horne
<b>Treasurer:</b> Matt Burns	<b>Director:</b> Pamela Banks

## Committee Chairs 2023-2024

<b>Membership:</b> Pam Banks	<b>Fellowship:</b> Buddy Sadak
<b>Programs:</b> Tom Edmonds	<b>Public Image:</b> John Kimball
<b>RI Foundation:</b> Bill Blessing	<b>Community Service:</b> Doug Maclean
<b>Youth:</b> Valérie Beaudoin	<b>100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:</b> Phil Rusciollelli

## Supported Events and Charities

Perry Winston Scholarship Fund • Youth Exchange • Croquet •  
 Grace to Go • Hunt Party • Road Clean-Up Interact Club • Wreaths  
 Across America • Loudoun Hunger Relief • Boulder Crest Foundation •  
 George C. Marshall International Center

## Rotary Club of Leesburg Honorary Members

Stanley Caulkins	Ilhami Konur	Jack Howard
Perry Winston	General George Marshall	

## Week in Review

### Pics from Our Meeting



**Dr. Seth Shostak**  
**SETI - Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence: Everyone**  
**Fasten Their Seatbelts**

Last week, Dr. Seth Shostak gave us a presentation and took questions through zoom from his home in California about the work at SETI, the Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence. This work started in 1984 and has grown considerably since. It primarily focuses on radio waves that may be emanating from other planets in other solar systems.



It was truly an interesting and engaging conversation but, alas, we haven't yet received a signal from any aliens, let alone those aliens who would come visit us (maybe that's a good thing).

**[Rotary in Action](#)**  
**Boulder Crest Retreat**

21 Oct

**Grace to Go**

Our Leesburg Rotary Club has volunteered frequently for the Grace to Go jobs of cooking and assembling meals for families affected by food insecurity in the Leesburg area. This past week was the last event of the year, but we'll continue to serve when needed. Here are some pictures from last week's opportunity.



### **Bruce Roberts Gives Us Another Opportunity to Serve**

Bruce's next-door neighbor, Matt Pierson, retired Navy SEAL, was in a terrible bike accident. Matt and his wife Kirsten and their one-year-old son, Max, are a wonderful family. Matt was a SEAL for 10 years before retiring. This really is a tragic situation with Matt facing a likely one-year rehab. Kirsten said that Matt is the most driven person she has ever known in the most wonderful way. She went on to say he would never say *woe is me*, he never looks back, always focused on the task ahead and that he faces it with a laser focus.

For those of you who expressed interest in supporting Matt, here is the link. <https://navy-seals-fund.networkforgood.com/projects/204516-navy-seal-matthew-pierson-emergency-support>

## **Announcements from District 7610**

1. The **D7610 END POLIO NOW CHALLENGE** signups have begun! The Challenge launches on World Polio Day, Oct 24th, so hurry and get organized! If you, a team of Rotary members, or your whole club would like to participate, please use this Google form to enroll and receive an info packet (please see attachments for more info):  
<https://forms.gle/mnWFk8Xn9F3maXoq9>
2. The **Foundation Team** is providing a valuable VIRTUAL information session on year-end giving, presented by RI Major Gifts Officer Laurie Menzel, PDG Sandy Duckworth, and Suzanne McDougall. RSVP here for the Oct 17th 7pm event: [RSVP](#)
3. Please join us to CELEBRATE all of the generous contributions made in 2022-2023! Many clubs and individuals will receive recognition, so don't miss this opportunity to come together and cheer on the individuals and clubs that make it all possible in D7610 and Rotary International with their donations. [Register NOW](#) for the **Foundation** Recognition & Awards Banquet happening Nov 4th from 12-3:30pm.