

## Rotary Club of Tysons Corner

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### Nearby Clubs

Monday	7:30 am	Fair Lakes, Fair Lakes Hyatt
	12:15 pm	Fairfax, American Legion Post 177, Fairfax City
	12:30 pm	Alexandria West, Sheraton across from Steak & Ale
	12:30 pm	Sterling, Logan's Roadhouse
Tuesday	7:30 am	Burke, Brion's Grille
	12:00 pm	McLean, Redeemer Lutheran Church
	12:15 pm	Alexandria, Belle Haven Country Club
	12:30 pm	Rosslyn/Fort Myer, Holiday Inn Westpark
Wednesday	7:30 am	Crystal City/Pentagon, Crystal City Marriott
	7:30 am	Herndon, Amphora Diner
	12:15 pm	Annandale, Squire Rockwell
	12:15 pm	Reston, Hidden Creek County Club
	12:15 pm	Vienna, Marco Polo Restaurant
Thursday	7:30 am	Tysons Corner, Tower Club (8000 Towers Crescent Drive, Vienna)
	12:00 pm	Ashburn, 1757 Golf Club
	12:15 pm	Arlington, La Cote D'or (2201 N. Westmoreland St.)
	12:15 pm	Springfield, J.W. and Friends Restaurant (6531 Backlick Road)
	6:30 pm	Falls Church, Harvest Moon Restaurant
Friday	7:30 am	Bailey's Crossroads, Goodwin House (3440 S. Jefferson St., Falls Church)

# Tower Talk

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### Today's Speaker

#### Ken Kirk

#### Clean Water Advocate

Today we welcome Ken Kirk, executive director of the National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA).

Previously, Ken worked for an association management firm in Washington where he managed NACWA's predecessor group. He also worked in the Environmental Protection Agency's Of-

fice of Legislation and served as public affairs manager for the Water Environment Federation.

He chairs the Water Infrastructure Network (a broad-based coalition) and has also served as president of the Clean Water America Alliance, a nonprofit group he helped found.

Ken holds degrees from New York University, Georgetown University Law Center, and George Washington University Law Center.



### Critical Research:

Dr. Stephanie Roessler of the National Cancer Institute at NIH discusses the relationship between our genetic information and changes in cancer at our April 21 meeting. Stephanie's research focuses on liver cancer. See page 3.

## Remembering Charter Member Will Soza



The Club lost one of its most beloved members on April 22 with the death of Will Soza. Will was an organizer of the Tysons Corner Rotary Club in 1983 and served as its first treasurer. He went on to serve as president in 1988-89.

Will was known as a dedicated Rotarian, highly successful businessman and entrepreneur, and community volunteer. He was involved in

many other organizations including George Mason University, Inova Fairfax Hospital, Salvation Army, Catholic Charities, and the Diocese of Arlington.

In recent years, the always-generous Will and his wife, Susan, opened their home to host our Spring Wine Tasting Gala (above, in 2009). The Club extends its sincere condolences to Susan and the Soza family.

## Monday Is JA Day

This Monday, May 2, is your chance to volunteer at Junior Achievement Finance Park. Training will begin promptly at 8:20 a.m., with volunteer

service starting at 9:20 a.m. The day will conclude at 1:20 p.m.

Junior Achievement Finance Park is located at 4099 Pickett Road in Fairfax. Reserve your spot with Zaheer Poptani.

## Future Speakers

May 5	Alvah Beander	African Art
May 12	Hunter Herron	Global Supply and Demand for Oil
May 19	R. Adm. Larry Marsh	Olmsted Scholar Program

## Fighting Cancer

Liver cancer is the third most deadly and fifth most common type of cancer in the world. Stephanie Roessler, PhD, our April 21 speaker, is trying to do something about that.

Stephanie is a senior postdoctoral fellow at the National Cancer Institute, specializing in the study of liver cancer as it relates to genetics. Her research includes genomic sequences, comparative genomics, and cellular pathways. Diabetes and obesity are risk factors for this aggressive cancer, she said.

Stephanie joined the Laboratory of Human Carcinogenesis at NCI in 2006, after receiving her doctorate in Germany. She was introduced last week by her husband, Christoph.

## Villa Winner

Congratulations to Elizabeth Maloney, James's wife, who won the Wine Tasting raffle April 16 for a week at the villa of Glenn and Ann Rounsevell in Spain!

## SAVE THE DATE...

**Monday, May 2:** Volunteer day at Junior Achievement in Fairfax, 8:20 a.m. to 1:20 p.m. Register with Zaheer Poptani. See page 2.

**Saturday, May 7:** Loudoun Bluegrass Festival, presented by Dulles Rotary Club at 4-H fairgrounds in Loudoun County. Tickets at [BluegrassLoudoun.com](http://BluegrassLoudoun.com).

**Saturday, May 14:** Club Leadership Seminar at Stafford High School in Falmouth, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Register at [rotary7610.org](http://rotary7610.org).

**Thursday, May 19 to Wednesday, May 25:** Rotary International Convention in New Orleans. Register at [rotary.org](http://rotary.org).

## Thursday Thought:

For the happy heart, life is a continual feast.

— Proverbs 15:15

## Dinner Schedule for Alternative House

May 4	Marty Shields	June 8	Mary Edwards
May 11	Bill Keen	June 15	Tim Long
May 18	Moe Levy	June 22	Babu Stephen
May 25	Catherine Ahearn	June 29	George Mushrush
June 1	Bishnu Poudel	July 6	Isabel Kelly

Dinner providers should call 703-356-6360 on the Tuesday before delivering dinner on Wednesday and ask the counselor on duty how many persons are expected to be present for the meal at 2100 Gallows Road, Vienna.

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