

## 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, Embassy Suites Dulles North (44610 Waxpool Road)                |
|           | 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) |
|           | 7:30 am  | Dulles, Dulles Hilton  |
|           | 12:30 pm | Dunn Loring, J.R.'s Stockyards Inn                                       |

# Tower Talk

## The Weekly Journal of the Rotary Club of Tysons Corner

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### Today's Speaker

### Scott A. Mills

### The Rotary Foundation

Today we welcome back Scott Mills, a Rotarian who has risen to prominence at the club, district, and zone levels of Rotary International since he joined the Herndon Rotary Club in 1999.

Scott has held numerous positions in District 7610, including assistant governor, special represen-

tative for the chartering of the new Ashburn Rotary Club, and Rotary Foundation annual giving chair.

On April 22, 2010, the trustees of The Rotary Foundation selected Scott as a recipient of The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service, recognizing his extraordinary fundraising efforts on behalf of the foundation.

Scott will describe some of the many ways in which The Rotary Foundation is making a difference around the globe.



**Happy To Help:** Club President Denise Dixon-Basil (left) and RCTC Foundation Treasurer David Danner (right) share a light moment with Fairfax Fire Captain Willie Bailey after presenting him with a check for \$800 to help support the fire department's school backpack drive. Volunteers are needed on Sept. 2 to assist in the drive — see page 2.

## Volunteers Needed for School Backpack Drive

Don't sleep in next week just because there is no Club breakfast meeting – get down to Alexandria and make a difference in the lives of kids who need a helping hand!

On Thursday, Sept. 2, the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Dept. will stage its annual School Backpack Drive at Penn Daw Fire Station 11, where volunteers will stuff backpacks with school supplies and distribute them to teachers, social workers, and youth-group leaders. The event begins at 7:30 a.m.

Visiting the Club last week, Capt. Willie Bailey said the fire department is hoping to distribute more than 1,000 backpacks this year. The Penn Daw station is located at 6624 Hulvey Terrace, Alexandria, Va. 22306.

Deputy Fire Chief and Tysons Corner Rotarian Duane Dodwell is spearheading the Club's involvement in this project. The RCTC Foundation donated \$800 to help purchase backpacks and school supplies (see page 1).



**Packing Up:** The Penn Daw fire station in Alexandria was a beehive of activity at last year's backpack drive.

### Future Speakers

|         |                 |                           |
|---------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Sept 2  | No Meeting      | Tower Club Closed         |
| Sept 9  | Pam Boteler     | WomenCAN Olympic Canoeing |
| Sept 16 | Stephanie Drake | D.C. Real Estate Market   |

## American Success Story



Dallas Johnson, PhD (above), founder of Lead Differently in Sterling, discussed his inspirational life's journey at our Aug. 19 meeting. He said the four most influential persons in his life were his grandfather ("a loan shark"), his father ("a boxer"), his grandmother ("tiny but mean"), and his mother ("the angelic one").

Dr. Johnson, who rose from a New Jersey housing project to become a high school principal and superintendent of schools, offered his formula for successful service: combining passion with engagement.

### SAVE THE DATE...

**Thursday, Sept. 2:** Tower Club closed. NO MORNING MEETING.

**Thursday, Sept. 2:** School Backpack Drive at Penn Daw Fire Station 11, 6624 Hulvey Terr., Alexandria, 7:30 a.m. See page 2.

**Tuesday, Sept. 14:** Board of Directors meeting at office of Martin Shields in McLean, 6:30 p.m.

**Thursday, Sept. 30:** "Rotary on Tap" Happy Hour fundraiser at Chima Steakhouse, Tysons Corner, 5 to 8 p.m.

### Thursday Thought:

"They ain't got no income taxes in Russia. They ain't got no income."

— Will Rogers

### Dinner Schedule for Alternative House

|         |               |        |                   |
|---------|---------------|--------|-------------------|
| Sept 1  | Bill Keen     | Oct 6  | Tim Long          |
| Sept 8  | Moe Levy      | Oct 13 | George Mushrush   |
| Sept 15 | Marty Shields | Oct 20 | Burt Heacock      |
| Sept 22 | Bish Poudel   | Oct 27 | Todd Meloy        |
| Sept 29 | Mary Edwards  | Nov 3  | Suzanne McDougall |

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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