



# ARCLIGHT

The Weekly Members' Bulletin of the  
**ARLINGTON ROTARY CLUB**



<http://www.arlingtonrotaryclub.org>  
Meeting Thursdays, 12:15  
At Washington Golf & Country Club  
3017 N. Glebe Rd., Arlington VA  
Chartered July 4, 1929 – Now In Our 85th Year

April 28 – May4, 2014

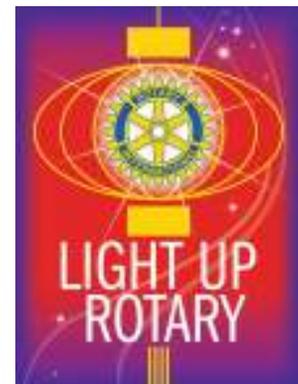
## Fellow Members of Arlington Rotary



I hope everyone enjoyed this weekend's great weather. It appears spring is finally here, after a long wait.

My Rotary thought for the coming week or two: Our incoming officer team will be selecting committee chairs and project leaders over the next couple of weeks; they (and I) hope you'll help make next year a success by responding favorably!

Speaking of the new Rotary year, FYI our new District Governor will be Richard Storey; the RI President's Theme for 2014-2015 is "Light Up Rotary," (which fits right in with our club's efforts to spotlight what we do in the community for our 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary); and the new theme logo for the coming year is pictured at right.



Greeters this month: Gary Long and Mike Matthai.

## Our Program This Week – Thursday, May 1 - The Women of Arlington



Most people are familiar with Mary Fitzhugh Custis and Mary Anna Randolph Custis Lee, and may have heard the names of C. B. Rose and Dorothy Ellis Lee, but there are hundreds of other famous (or infamous) women in our County's past. This talk focuses on some of the most important and influential women in Arlington. From Mistress Maggie Brent of colonial times to Miss Mary Hall and Pauline Duncan (first women Sheriff). Come learn about these unsung heroes.

Kathryn is a recognized expert and consulting historian on Arlington. She has worked for the National Park Service on Sears Kit Homes and the Smithsonian as Study Tour Leader for

Arlington. In addition she has been a Consulting Historian for Arlington County and for WETA. She has created 20 separate tours covering all aspects of historical life in Northern Virginia, with emphasize on Arlington. She was the curator/director of the Arlington Historical Society Museums from 1979 to 1988 and has been a docent at Arlington House and Mount Vernon. Kathryn has authored numerous articles on the topic of Cherrydale, Sears Kits homes, and other Arlington topics. She was named Arlington Woman of the year in 1981. She is a lifelong resident of the Cherrydale area of Arlington.

## For the Record



We held the second annual China Garden Fundraising Banquet for AREF on April 24. A kudos all around: to Lorna, Joe, and Linda, who set it all up; to Joe as AREF Pres for presiding; to China Garden owners Mr. and Mrs. Ken Lee for their cooperation and generosity; and to our mahjong instructors Linda, Jim, Hugh and Barbara. Many thanks also to all of you who attended, invited guests, helped, or contributed

\$\$\$. We're still working out final figures for our "net" from the event and will keep you posted.

Even more special thanks to Pete Arntson, who has informed us that the Claude Moore Foundation will be making a grant of \$5,000 to AREF.

Also at that banquet April 24, José Mateos Nuñez (above) was awarded the second AREF Challenge Grant. This grant provides \$8,000 to a student from Arlington Mill High, an alternate high school. Mr. Mateos was our guest at the event, as were last year's winner, Edson Flores, and the Arlington Mill Principal, Ms. Barbara Thompson. In May, the AREF Board will be selecting the winner of the traditional AREF four-year scholarship for the coming year.



Our speaker for the evening April 24 was David Foster (right), former Chairman of the Virginia State Board of Education, who reviewed changes and improvements in the Virginia system.

## On the Horizon

8 May – ARC Meeting: Matt Leavitt on the Rotary Youth Exchange Program

15 May – Paul Hebblethwaite - The Salvation Army in WW I.

29 May – ARC Joint Board Meeting, 11:00 AM, prior to our regular meeting

Late June – ARC will celebrate its 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary (date and details TBD).