



# 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

May 19 – 25, 2014



Greeters for May

Hugh Barton  
Mike Matthai

## Fellow Arlington Rotarians – About Our 85<sup>th</sup> Birthday Bash:

The last page of this message is your “save the date” notice for our 85<sup>th</sup> Birthday Bash. (But I hope you already saved the date weeks ago!)

I was reading a few days ago about Mark Tercek, a fellow who has recently revolutionized The Nature Conservancy’s organizational culture. [That organization, by the way, is headquartered right here in Arlington – let’s get them to speak.] Tercek thinks that nonprofit organizations can be too timid; hearing that one of the NC’s slogans was “Quietly Saving Nature,” he asked, “why not save nature LOUDLY?” That strikes home, because that’s really what we’d like to do with our 85<sup>th</sup> Birthday Bash on June 27 – demonstrate a commitment to future service to our community, but serving it more loudly – share the news of what we’re doing, and get more people involved.

Even as publicity for our efforts becomes not just a legitimate cost of doing business, but an essential tool for Rotary’s continued growth, we here in the Arlington club nevertheless want to maintain and ultimately increase the funding we can devote to our community projects. So, a word about funding our Birthday Bash: We are keeping costs low in a variety of ways; it will be paid for largely from unspent funds that were already budgeted for publicity and member recruitment this year, along with private contributions of members. In short, for those of you who missed out meeting on May 15, I repeat that our principle is, “no nonprofit organization will be harmed” in the production of this event.

How can you help? Well, attend, of course. And help us to be sure our guest list includes any prominent Arlingtonians you know (just provide us a name and e-mail so they can be invited). And if you want to pledge contingency help on costs, please let me know; several members have already done so. Thanks!

- President Steve

## Our Program This Week – Thursday, May 22 - Get to Know Robert Martinson



Classification Talk. Our newest Rotarian, Robert Martinson, will tell us about himself and what he does for a living. Classification Talks are a way for the club to get to know our new members and to allow all club members to learn about different professions and the challenges faced in those professions.

We'll leave a little something for Robert to tell us about himself, but here are some of the basics: He grew up right here in northern Virginia, graduated from JEB Stuart High School, went to the University of Virginia where he majored in politics. He's been in mortgage banking for several years, in this area and in Hawaii, whence he just returned recently. And, he has a long history in community service, having previously been an Elk and a Moose for 10 years.

### For the Record

Our speaker last week was Paul Hebblethwaite, Director of Development at the Salvation Army's National Capitol Command. Paul's avocation is Salvation Army history, and he was able to tell us a lot we didn't know about the SA in World War I.

Visitors on May 15: Marla Diaz, an attorney with Whiteford, Taylor, and Preston in Falls Church, visited to find out more about Arlington Rotary. Also visiting, former ARC Member and current McLean Rotarian Shannon Owens, who tells us that she's officially working in Arlington again and hopes to renew her membership with ARC.

AREF President Joe Lott announced that the April 24 fundraiser netted just under \$7,000 for our scholarship program. Also: The AREF Board met May 15 after the regular club meeting to review nearly 20 applications for this year's AREF college scholarship. And winner is ... to be announced once all candidates have been notified of the outcome.

President Steve presented member Walter Webdale (right) with a token of RI appreciation for having brought two new members into the club.



The club's "Birthday Bash" will be in lieu of our usual special installation dinner; it will also take the place of our June 26 lunch. Officers for next Rotary year will be installed at the regular lunchtime meeting on June 19.

## On the Horizon

29 May – ARC Joint Board Meeting, 11:00 AM, prior to our regular meeting. Main meeting program: Mike Matthai's classification talk.

5 Jun – TBD

19 Jun – ARC Meeting: Photographer Lloyd Wolf – “A Life In Photography”; Installation of 2014-15 Officers

26 Jun – No meeting. The June 27 Birthday Bash will count as our regular meeting.

27 Jun -- Note, this is a [Friday!](#) 6:00 PM – Our 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary at NRECA Conference Center, 4301 Wilson Blvd. in Ballston.

3 Jul -- TBD

***YOURS IN ROTARY,***

***STEVE KLEMP***

***PRESIDENT***

***ARLINGTON ROTARY CLUB***

***AND THERE'S MORE...***



**Join Us for Our Birthday Bash!**

***Save the Date***

**Arlington Rotary Club is Turning 85!**

***Get ready to celebrate!***

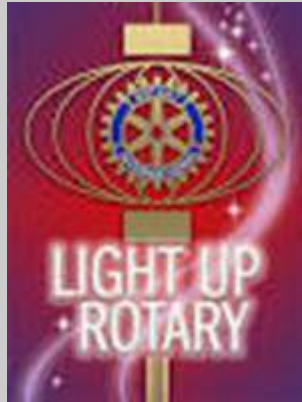
***Reception***

***Friday, June 27, 2014***

***6:00pm - 8:00pm***

***National Rural Electrical Cooperative Association***

***4301 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22203***



Shine a light on Arlington Rotary Club's 85 years of service to the community  
and raise a toast to our future.

Look for an invitation for this event in your e-mail in the coming weeks and be sure  
to register to attend. We look forward to seeing you in June!

