



# THE **ARCLIGHT**

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

**April 25 – May 1, 2016**

<http://www.arlingtonrotaryclub.org>

Meetings: Thursday, 12:15 pm  
Washington Golf & Country Club  
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*Chartered July 4, 1929 – Now In Our 87th Year*



**Program: April 28 - 12:00-1:30 PM at WGCC**  
**Erik VandePoll and Liz Nason of the YMCA**  
**“Community Impact of the YMCA Arlington”**



Erik VandePoll is District Executive Director, and Liz Nason Associate Executive Director, at the YMCA Arlington. Erik has over 23 years working with youth programs, 17 with the YMCA of Metropolitan Washington. He is married and enjoys spending time outdoors with his 4-year-old son. Liz has been with the YMCA of Metropolitan Washington in various capacities for the past 15 years. She lives in Reston and spends her free time with her three children.

The Y, a trusted community partner for 70+ years, has a strong reputation for high-quality, outcome-driven programs and services. Erik and Liz will discuss how the Y strengthens community through 3 areas of focus – Youth Development (nurturing the potential of every child and teen); Healthy Living (improving community health and well-being); Social Responsibility: (giving back and supporting our neighbors).

**Last Week – Fun, Food, Fellowship, Funding, Fulfillment**



Our annual China Garden Banquet to benefit the AREF scholarship program was held Thursday, April 21. About 60 Rotarians and guests gathered to enjoy a fun evening featuring great food, fellowship, and most important, fulfillment of our educational mission through fundraising. The event raised almost \$9000 for our scholarship programs. In addition the banquet offered an opportunity to present this year's scholarship winners: Callie Randall of Washington-Lee High (left photo below) is the 2016 recipient of the AREF traditional scholarship for a four-year university, while Alejandra Fernández of Arlington Mill High (right photo below) was selected for this year's Arlington Rotary American Challenge Stipend in memory of Audra Rafter.



## Thanks!

A hearty thank-you to ALL who made the China Garden Banquet a success, by attending, by bringing friends, by donating, by organizing, by soliciting contributions, by bidding on auction items, or in other ways – each of you has “made a difference.”

## Happy Hour News

Our next biweekly auxiliary happy hour meeting will be held next Thursday May 5 starting at 6 PM, at Rock Bottom Brewery in Ballston. Unfortunately, this will be our LAST MEETING AT THIS LOCATION. The RBB is closing its doors May 9 due to the impending reconstruction of the Ballston Common Mall. We're looking for a new venue and will keep you posted. Got an idea? Let President Jeff or Robert Martinson know.

## May Greeters: Ali Kayani; Walter Webdale

If you are assigned to be a greeter and cannot arrive 15 minutes before any weekly meeting your month, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to make sure your partner will be in attendance or to find a substitute for yourself. Please contact club Admin. Chair, **David Sutfin**, [djsutfin@gmail.com](mailto:djsutfin@gmail.com) with any questions.

## Service Opportunities

Service Project Director Linda Valentino reminds us of the following upcoming AFAC events.

- **Stamp Out Hunger food drive at AFAC, Saturday, May 14, 5:30-8:30pm.** 20 volunteers needed to help unload and sort 30,000+ pounds of food. How to sign up: Let Linda know if you can help.
- **Taste of Arlington in front of Ballston Mall, Sunday May 15.** AFAC receives a \$50 Donation for every volunteer they supply. How to sign up: Directly with AFAC using this link: <http://www.ballstonbid.com/taste/volunteer>. Just write somewhere that you are with Arlington Rotary and AFAC will group everyone who signs up for each shift together. Volunteers receive: An awesome volunteer t-shirt, refreshments & snacks during their shift & a complimentary taste ticket booklet for 10 free tastes. Shifts are:
  - Saturday, May 14 - 6:00pm - 10:00pm (setup)
  - Sunday, May 15 - 2:30pm - 7:00pm (event)

- Responsibilities may include: ticket collection, crowd direction, beverage sales, or bartending
  - Sunday, May 15 - 6:00pm - 9:00pm (cleanup)
- **Food sorting & bagging at AFAC** Monday, May 30, (Memorial Day) time TBA - approx. 6:30-8:30pm. How to sign up: Let Linda know if you can help.

## Upcoming Events

- Apr 29 – RLI Training, Parts I, II, or III is being offered at LaPlata MD. Sign up through the District calendar on [www.Rotary7610.org](http://www.Rotary7610.org).
- May 5 –Lunch meeting at WGCC: Cynde Margritz, CEO and Founder of Peak Neurofitness
- May 5 - Happy Hour 6-8pm, Rock Bottom Brewery in Ballston. Parking is \$1 in the Ballston Mall. The LAST happy hour at this location.
- May 12 - Lunch meeting at WGCC: Jeff Hayes- Director for Afghanistan for the National Security Council Staff “Working in National Security- How our nation’s national security structure works”
- May 14 – **Service Opp** – 20 volunteers needed to unload food drive donations at AFAC Headquarters in Shirlington
- May 19 – Lunch meeting at WGCC: John Nutter – The Potomac Conservancy
- May 19 - **Service Opp** – Join in the fun as up to 400 volunteers take 3 hour shifts throughout the day at Taste of Arlington in Ballston. (Organizers pay AFAC \$50 for each volunteer who turns up.)
- May 26 - Lunch meeting at WGCC: Pablo Villeda- Vice President of Regional Operations, Latin America International Justice Mission - “Everyday violence: A plague with hope of a cure”
- Jun 2 - Lunch meeting at WGCC: Harry Henderson- Immediate Past President Bailey’s Crossroads Rotary Club- “The new Rules of Growing Rotary Membership”
- Jun 9 - Lunch meeting at WGCC: Alessandra Colia, Executive Director, Urban Alliance
- Jun 16 - - Lunch meeting at WGCC: Marjorie Varner, Executive Director, Encore Learning- “Back to “College” for Pure Knowledge”

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