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The Weekly Members' Bulletin of the
ARLINGTON ROTARY CLUB

August 22-28, 2016

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Meetings: Thursday, 12:15 pm
Washington Golf & Country Club
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Chartered July 4, 1929 – Now In Our 88th Year



Midday Program: August 25, 12:10 PM at the WGCC Matt Palmer, Director for South Central Europe, US Dept. of State And Author, "The Wolf of Sarajevo"



Matt Palmer balances a demanding career as a diplomat with a parallel career as a novelist specializing in international thrillers. How does the careful, painstaking work of diplomacy translate into fiction? And what does it mean to put the diplomat -- rather than the soldier or the spy -- at the center of the action.

Mr. Palmer is a member of the Senior Foreign Service (class of Counselor), currently serving as the Director for South Central Europe in the State Department's Bureau of European Affairs. Prior to that, he was the Director for Multilateral Affairs in the Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs. He has served twice in Belgrade, Serbia and as the desk officer for the former Yugoslavia through the end of the 1999 Kosovo conflict. Other tours include: Deputy Director of Mainland Southeast Asia, Political Counselor in Nicosia, and desk officer for Serbia-Montenegro. Mr. Palmer has also served on the Policy Planning staff, at the National Security Council, and at the U.S. Mission to the United Nations. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and a distinguished graduate of the National War College. Mr. Palmer has published three novels with FSO protagonists, two of which -- *The American Mission* (2014) and *Secrets of State* (2015) -- were recognized as among the best books of the year by National Public Radio. His experiences in the Balkans served as the inspiration for his third novel, *the Wolf of Sarajevo*, what was released this spring. He speaks Serbo-Croatian, Greek and Japanese.

Last Week

Exec Director Pam Hess described the link between poverty and the lack of choice in neighborhood food sources; and told us about Arcadia's ground-breaking work in growing, harvesting, and marketing fresh wholesome foods to areas, generally poorer neighborhoods, that are underserved by supermarkets/farm markets.

Meeting Venue Change – September 8

Please note the regular meeting for September 8 will be held at the Ballston Holiday Inn, 4610 N. Fairfax Dr., rather than at WGCC. Free parking. (Hint: this is the same place where we have held a couple of our special events/banquets).



INOVA Blood Drive

We are all set up to help out with INOVA's blood drive at the Arlington Central Library this Saturday, 10:45 am – 3:15 pm. A big hand for our registration volunteers, per schedule below:

10:45 – 12:15 -- David Sutfin, Ken Adler

12:15 – 1:45 – Colleen Barton Sutton, Jeff Sutton

1:45 – 3:15 – Lorna Daniels, Hugh Barton.

Someone from first shift, please pick up the banner at our meeting this week and bring it to the library with you; someone from the final shift, please be sure to take it down and bring it back next week.

Anyone who may want to be a blood donor during this period can sign up in advance at <https://www.inovabloodsaves.org/> or call [866-256-6372](tel:866-256-6372) ; you may also just show up as a walk-in, though that might mean having to wait a bit.

August Greeters: Linda Valentino, Steve Klemp

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 with any questions. Greeters for September: **Jeff Sutton; Lorna Daniels.**

“Wine Helps!” – Tuesday, September 20

Publicity: We hope to attract 200 or more people to attend. So please, besides attending yourself, think more broadly – bring friends and relatives, and think of other ways you can spread the word. Posters are available to provide to your favorite merchants or to post at your organization.

Tickets are \$75 per person; a portion of the ticket price - \$25 – has been determined to be tax-deductible. The raffle tickets – to win a chef's tasting dinner for EIGHT with wine pairings, at Proof Restaurant in DC – are \$10.

Tickets AND raffle tickets are available now. Ready to Buy? Cash and checks are welcome, make them to AREF and hand off to AREF Treasurer Steve Klemp. The club benefits (no fees). Members can also pay for tickets by credit card or Paypal at the [AREF shopping cart](#). Per usual practice, each member will be assessed \$75 in support of this event, HOWEVER that assessment is waived if you or your company is a sponsor; if you are an honorary member; if you buy at least one ticket; or if you make a donation in the amount of \$75 or more.



A Passing to Note

Pat Newman, former owner of American Realty Group, died Saturday, August 20. Many of us will remember Pat as the mother of former member Tricia Hines, and as a guest, sponsor, and contributor to some of our events a few years ago. Our sincere condolences to Tricia. Funeral arrangements have not yet been announced – watch your local paper.

Upcoming Events

- Aug 27 – Service Opportunity - INOVA Blood Drive, Central Library.
- Sep 1 – Lunch meeting at WGCC: Pending
- Sep 1 – Happy Hour 6-8 pm at the Front Page in Ballston. Park in the Ballston Mall for \$1.
- Sep 8 – Lunch meeting at **Ballston Holiday Inn** 4610 N. Fairfax Dr.: Michael Katrivanos, New District Brewing Company
- Sep 15 - Lunch meeting at WGCC: TBD
- Sep 15 - Happy Hour 6-8 pm at the Front Page in Ballston. Park in the Ballston Mall for \$1.
- **Sep 20 -- Tuesday – 6:00-8:30, “Wine Helps!” at the NRECA Conference Center in Ballston. Save the date and invite your friends & neighbors.**
- **Sep 22 – No lunch meeting, no happy hour meeting – attend Wine Helps!**
- **Sep 29 – Bob Solis, President, Open Arms for Children**
- **Oct 6 – Lunch meeting at WGCC: Dr. Robert Patterson, Georgetown U. – “The Psychic Hold of Slavery on America and How We Might Change”**

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