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The Weekly Members' Bulletin of the
ARLINGTON ROTARY CLUB
April 24-30, 2017

<http://www.arlingtonrotaryclub.org>

Meetings: Thursday, 12:15 pm
Washington Golf & Country Club
3017 N Glebe Rd, Arlington, VA 22207
WGCC Phone: (703) 524-4600

Chartered July 4, 1929 – Now In Our 88th Year



Midday Program at the WGCC

Thursday, April 27, 2017

Jane Rudolph, Director

Arlington County Department of Parks & Recreation

“Arlington Parks – An Overview”



Jane will provide an overview of the parks system and its programs and services. The presentation will highlight recently completed projects, partnership opportunities, and public engagement initiatives. Ms. Rudolph became Parks/Recreation Director in 2013. She is responsible for a \$40 million urban park system with a ten-year capital improvement plan that exceeds \$205 million. Under her leadership in 2016, Arlington's park system was ranked in the top five of the nation's 100 largest cities by the Trust for Public Land.

Earlier, Ms. Rudolph worked almost 10 years in the New York City Dept. of Parks and Recreation, where she served as Chief of Staff and oversaw all aspects of the largest urban parks system in the nation. She is a graduate of Vassar College and earned a Master's of Administration with a focus on Public Finance from New York University, Robert F. Wagner School of Public Service. She enjoys hiking, tennis and sports; she and her family reside in Arlington and are avid users of the Arlington County parks system.

Picnic Coming Up

Speaking of parks ... How about a picnic? Arlington Rotary Club is having one -- May 27 (a Saturday), at Westover Park, 11:30 – 2:30 PM. You'll hear more from Pres-Elect David Sutfin soon about details but mark your calendar now for a fun family affair.

Last Week

China Garden 2017 was a great success, thanks to the enthusiastic participation and support of our members and others. We had record high attendance, an excellent and timely speaker, and most important, preliminary figures confirm that we made about \$6,400 for our scholarship program, with some additional donations possibly still on the way. Thanks to all who attended, donated, helped, or brought guests - and special appreciation for AREF Pres Joe Lott and Fundraising Director Sherry Barndollar Rock for their work in planning, organizing, and setting up.

Meet Our New AREF Scholarship Winners

The April 20 China Garden Banquet helped raise more money for scholarships but also presented the 2017 winners of our AREF scholarships. They are Geovanny Morales (second from left - winner of our traditional 4-year scholarship) who is headed to Dartmouth this fall; and Victoria Rojas (to his right - winner of the American Challenge Stipend in Memory of Audra Rafter) who will start college at NVCC and plans eventually to finish her studies at



Marymount. They are flanked by our speaker, Congressman Don Beyer, District 7610 Governor Janet Brown, and AREF President Joe Lott. In addition, representatives of the Arlington Academy of Hope were on hand to receive this year's grant of \$2000 for Sabiti Davis, the student in Uganda whom the club has helped support through elementary and high school.

Greeters: Thanks to Sherry Barndollar Rock and Gary Long for serving in April. Greeters for May: Ken Adler, Ali Kavani.

If you are 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. Contact club Admin. Chair, **David Sutfin**, djsutfin@gmail.com with any questions.

Upcoming Events

- May 3 – Happy Hour! The Front Page, Ballston, 6 – 8 PM. Not happy? C'mon over and GET happy! Bring a prospective member.
- May 4 – Lunch Meeting at the WGCC: Linda Billings – Consultant to NASA's Astrobiology Program and Planetary Defense Coordination Office, National Institute of Aerospace, on “Going to Mars – How? When? And What Shall We Do When We Get There?”
- May 10 - Happy Hour! The Front Page, Ballston, 6 – 8 PM. Join your fellow Rotarians for good conversation and a pint or two.
- May 11 – Lunch meeting at the WGCC: John Ackerly, Alliance for GreenHeat
- May 18-21 – District 7610 Annual District Conference, Wintergreen Resort, Wintergreen VA
- May 25 – NO regular lunch meeting; instead, join us on Saturday for the picnic.
- **May 27 (Saturday) – Club Picnic**, 11:30 AM – 2:30 PM, Westover Park picnic shelter, 1001 N. Kennebec Rd., Arlington 22205.
- Jun 29 – Lunch Meeting at the WGCC: Annual Installation of Officers/Directors
- **Sep 19 – Wine Helps! 2017 – NRECA Building, same as last year. 6 – 8:30 pm.**

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