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THE **ARCLIGHT**

The Weekly Members' Bulletin of the
ARLINGTON ROTARY CLUB

May 1-7, 2017

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Meetings: Thursday, 12:15 pm
Washington Golf & Country Club
3017 N Glebe Rd, Arlington, VA 22207
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Upcoming Programs

I. Biweekly Happy Hour

Wednesday May 3 at The Front Page, 6 – 8 PM

II. Regular Lunch Program at the WGCC

Thursday, May 4, 2017

Linda Billings, Ph.D., NASA Consultant

“Going to Mars: When? How? And What Shall We Do When We Get There?”



This talk will cover what we know and don't know about Mars; plans for further robotic exploration and eventual human exploration; and prospects for finding evidence of past or present life on the planet.

Linda Billings is a consultant to NASA's Astrobiology Program and Planetary Defense Coordination Office in the Planetary Science Division of the Science Mission Directorate at NASA Headquarters in Washington, D.C. She also is Director of Communications with the Center for Integrative STEM Education at the National Institute of Aerospace in Hampton, Virginia.

Dr. Billings earned her Ph.D. in mass communication from Indiana University. Her research interests include science and risk communication, social studies of science, and the history and rhetoric of science and space exploration. She has worked for more than 30 years in Washington, D.C., as a researcher; communication planner, manager, and analyst; policy analyst; journalist; and consultant to the government. She was a member of the staff for the National Commission on Space (1985-86), appointed by President Reagan to develop a long-term plan for space exploration. She served as an officer of Women in Aerospace (WIA) for 15 years, most recently as president (2003). She is the recipient of a WIA Lifetime Achievement Award (2009) and a WIA Outstanding Achievement Award (1991). She was elected a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in 2009.

Blood Drive, Saturday, May 6 – Central Library – See Colleen

We still need volunteers: one for the first shift (10:45-12:15) and two for the last shift (1:45 – 3:00).

Help Out At Taste of Arlington! One More Volunteer Needed for May 20

Service Projects Director Colleen Barton Sutton reminds us that we are committed to help with The Taste of Arlington. We have five members signed up, but need ONE MORE volunteer to partner with Ken Adler on setup the evening before the event, Saturday May 20, 6 – 9 PM. The organizers will donate \$50 to AFAC for each volunteer who turns out. And you get some pretty great perks too: Free admission into Taste of Arlington, an awesome volunteer t-shirt, refreshments and snacks during your shift in HQ Pavilion, one complimentary drink ticket. Please let Colleen know if you can help. Thanks!

Last Week



Arlington Parks/Recreation Director Jane Rudolph gave us an overview of Arlington’s award-winning and extensive parks system, described some of the plans for the future (completion of aquatic facilities) and problem areas (e.g. declining tree cover due mainly to residential development). Joining her was Alfredo Calderon, a 25-year veteran of the Arlington Parks.



Upcoming Events

- May 11 – Lunch meeting at the WGCC: John Ackerly, Alliance for GreenHeat
- May 17 - Happy Hour! The Front Page, Ballston, 6 – 8 PM. Join your fellow Rotarians for good conversation and a pint or two.
- May 18 – Lunch Meeting at the WGCC – Dr. Jack Godwin, Senior Executive, National Defense University, on International Military Education
- 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 1 – Lunch Meeting at the WGCC: Andrew Schneider, Executive Director, Arlington Thrive
- Jun 7 - Happy Hour! The Front Page, Ballston, 6-8 pm.
- 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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