



November 19, 2020 CLUB BULLETIN

Speakers

Nov. 19: Chris Green, Spirits of the U.S.A., courtesy of Claire McDonald

Nov. 26: No Meeting! HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!

Dec. 3: Peter Stoddard

Dec. 10: OPEN

Dec. 17: Mike McGhee, courtesy of Steven Kronenberg

Birthdays

UPCOMING EVENTS:

If you have any upcoming events that you would like to see in the bulletin, please reach out to Stephanie Woody at swoody@forsythnews.com.

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THIS WEEK:

November 19 Meeting: Chris Green, Spirits of the U.S.A., courtesy of Claire McDonald

If you plan to attend to the meeting in person, please respond to this bulletin (or via email at swoody@forsythnews.com) so that we can be sure that we keep our numbers below the mandated number.

Please email Mike Smith at mfs125@bellsouth.net if you are willing to volunteer and help serve our lunch or prepare our meeting room for Thursday.

For those that are unable to attend in person, the meeting will also be available via Zoom, sign-in info is below.

Login will be available beginning at 12 p.m. and meeting will begin at about 12:15 p.m.

Topic: Rotary Club of Forsyth County - Virtual Meeting

Join Zoom Meeting

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This week in history: 1980

Millions tune in to find out who shot J.R.

On November 21, 1980, 350 million people around the world tune in to television's popular primetime drama **Dallas** to find out who shot J.R. Ewing, the character fans loved to hate. J.R. had been shot on the season-ending episode the previous March 21, which now stands as one of television's most famous cliffhangers. The plot twist inspired widespread media coverage and left America



Jeremy P. Skinner
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The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do...
Is it the **TRUTH**?

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



Rotary Opens Opportunities



wondering **Who shot J.R.?** for the next eight months. The November 21 episode solved the mystery, identifying Kristin Shepard, J.R.'s wife's sister and his former mistress, as the culprit.

The CBS television network debuted the first five-episode pilot season of **Dallas** in 1978; it went on to run for another 12 full-length seasons. The first show of its kind, **Dallas** was dubbed a **primetime soap opera** for its serial plots and dramatic tales of moral excess. The show revolved around the relations of two Texas oil families: the wealthy, successful Ewing family and the perpetually down-on-their-luck Barnes family. The families' patriarchs, Jock Ewing and Digger Barnes, were former partners locked in a years-long feud over oil fields Barnes claimed had been stolen by Ewing. Ewing's youngest son Bobby (Patrick Duffy) and Barnes' daughter Pam (Victoria Principal) had married, linking the battling clans even more closely. The character of J.R. Ewing, Bobby's oldest brother and a greedy, conniving, womanizing scoundrel, was played by Larry Hagman.

As J.R. had many enemies, audiences were hard-pressed to guess who was responsible for his attempted murder. That summer, the question **Who Shot J.R.?** entered the national lexicon, becoming a popular t-shirt slogan, and heightening anticipation of the soap's third season, which was to air in the fall. After a much-talked-about contract dispute with Hagman was finally settled, the season was delayed because of a Screen Actors Guild strike, much to the dismay of **Dallas** fans. When it finally aired, the episode revealing J.R.'s shooter became one of television's most watched shows, with an audience of 83 million people in the U.S. alone—a full 76 percent of all U.S. televisions on that night were tuned in and helped put **Dallas** into greater worldwide circulation. It also popularized the use of the cliffhanger by television writers.

The shooting of J.R. wasn't **Dallas'** only notorious plot twist. In September 1986, fans learned that the entire previous season, in which main character Bobby Ewing had died, was merely a dream of Pam's. The show's writers had killed the Bobby character off because Duffy had decided to leave the show. When he agreed to return, they featured him stepping out of the shower on the season-ending cliffhanger, and then were forced the next season to explain his sudden reappearance.

The last premiere episode of **Dallas** aired on May 3, 1991. A spin-off, **Knots Landing**, aired from December 27, 1979 until May 13, 1993. **Dallas** remains in syndication around the world.

<https://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/millions-tune-in-to-find-out-who-shot-j-r>

Please keep the following in mind when considering attending in-person meetings:

◆ Attending in-person meetings is not required. There are no attendance requirements at least through the end of the year. Additionally, we are working on making the meetings accessible via Zoom. Do not feel any obligation to attend in-person meetings if you are not comfortable doing so or feel it is unsafe.

- ◆ Anyone who is sick, infected with COVID-19 or exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 must not attend in-person meetings.
- ◆ Guests and visiting Rotarians are not permitted to attend in-person meetings at this time. However, they are encouraged to join us via Zoom.
- ◆ Please be aware that the Governor's order strongly encourages people to wear face coverings as practicable while outside their homes except when eating or drinking.
- ◆ Please keep the following excerpt from the Governor's order in mind when deciding to attend Rotary meetings in person:

All residents and visitors of the State of Georgia who meet the following criteria for higher risk of severe illness as defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention are required to Shelter in Place within their homes or places of residence:

1. *Those persons who live in a nursing home or long-term care facility, including inpatient hospice, assisted living communities, personal care homes, intermediate care homes, community living arrangements and community integration homes.*
2. *Those persons who have chronic lung disease.*
3. *Those persons who have moderate to severe asthma.*
4. *Those persons who have severe heart disease.*
5. *Those persons who are immunocompromised. May conditions can cause a person to be immunocompromised, including cancer treatment, smoking, bone marrow or organ transplantation immune deficiencies, poorly controlled HIV or AIDS, and prolonged use of corticosteroids and other immune weakening medication.*
6. *Those persons, of any age, with class III so severe obesity.*
7. *Those persons diagnosed with the following underlying medical conditions: diabetes, liver disease, and persons with chronic kidney disease undergoing dialysis.*

◆ Until further notice, lunches will be pre-prepared with no buffet service.

◆ Tables will be arranged with seating of no more than 6 people and appropriately spaced out. Please adhere to this and do not add seating or rearrange the setups.

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Past Presidents

1975	Tommy Bagwell	1986	Steve Jackson	1997	Bill Kehres	2008	Mike Palmer
1976	Terry Smith	1987	Tim LeBlanc	1998	Jeff Stephens	2009	Burton Blackmar
1977	Jackie Welch	1988	Denton Ashway	1999	John Weaver	2010	Shan Mize
1978	Larry Boling	1989	Bobby Thomas	2000	Jim Whitney	2011	Taylor Rice
1979	Zack Rice	1990	Jim Wheeler	2001	Jon McDaniel	2012	George Pirkle
1980	Roger Williams	1991	Rich Brown	2002	Keith Argo	2013	George Pirkle
1981	Tom Miller	1992	Tim Perry	2003	Rich Neville	2014	Mike Smith
1982	Gabe Dukas	1993	Bob McGuinn	2004	Melissa Durand	2015	Rusty Smith
1983	Eddie Stowe	1994	Robert Thuss	2005	Brandon Barron	2016	Donna Wade
1984	Dana Miles	1995	Brian Carpenter	2006	Chuck Welch	2017	Eric Duncan
1985	Mike Gravitt	1996	Charles Ammons	2007	Gabe Arango	2018	Ken Terry

Paul Harris Fellows

In 2016 our club became 100% Paul Harris Fellows!

1977 Tommy Bagwell

Penny McGuinn

Jim Whitney

Seth Thomas

1978	Jim French		Rafe Banks		Rex Abbott		Donna Wade
1986	Bob McGuinn		Rich Brown	2000	Nancy Abbott		Lucy Thuss
	Larry Boling		Malvelene Vaughan		Melissa Durand		Matt Richmond
	Bobby Thomas	1993	Stan Gault		Tim Perry	2006	Chuck Welch
1987	Gary Allen	1994	Mike Gravitt	2001	Mike Smith	2008	Dana Miles
	Bill Carter		Shannon Mize		Bill Levensalor		Eric Duncan
1988	Jack Manton		Charles Welch		George Pirkle		Mike Palmer
	Zack Rice		Brenda Thomas	2002	Burton Blackmar		John Heath
1991	Robert Thuss		Chantal Bagwell	2003	Lorne Twiner	2010	John Martin
	Vic Shirley		Shaun McGuinn	2004	Bruce Hearn	2014	Linda Duncan
	Lou Douglas		Brian Carpenter		Jack Godwin		D'Arcy Duncan Andrews
1992	Rafe Banks		Michael O'Bryan	2005	Jon McDaniel		Erin Duncan Topel
	Jack Heard	1996	Leslie McGuinn		Mike Montgomery	2015	Sam Siemon
	Jim Wheeler	1997	Denton Ashway		Joni Owens		Gabe Arango Murray Rice

Will Watt Fellows

1986	Tommy Bagwell	1999	Rex Abbott	2007	Donna Wade		Lorne Twiner
1990	Dick Neville	2001	Jon McDaniel	2008	Eric Duncan		Bill Guilfoil
	Bobby Thomas		Rich Brown	2009	Dana Miles		
	Lou Douglas		Bill Kehres	2010	John Hall		
1995	Brian Carpenter		Mike Gravitt	2012	George Pirkle		
	Bob McGuinn	2002	Malvelene Vaughan		Dennis Gravitt		
1998	Jim Whitney	2003	Mike Montgomery	2013	Jim Wheeler		

If you have a question about the bulletin/programs, or have a program of interest to the club, please contact Stephanie Woody at swody@forsythnews.com or mobile 678-878-0516.