

# STAFFORD ROTARY HIGHLIGHTER

#### VOCATIONAL SERVICES MONTH

#### **CLUB SCHEDULE**

- JAN 8 Club Assembly
- JAN 15 Dr. George Millsaps

JAN 22 - TBA

JAN 29 - Club Social

\*\* February 22, 2020 - Meals of Hope at Stafford High School \*\*

### **Meals of Hope**

Our club is gearing up for our 3rd annual meal packing event at the Stafford High School. Last year we packed more than 40,000 meals and we hope to beat that number this year. Contact Lori Hayes for more information. A link to donate is available on the Stafford Rotary Facebook page.

# Valentine's Day Fund Raiser

We're still selling tickets for our Valentine's Day fundraiser, with a little less than a month to go. If you need more tickets, reach out to Laura Watts. Any funds collected so far can be brought to our weekly meeting. Keep selling!



# Happy Holidays!

On December 18th, the Duckworth's hosted a holiday party at their home. Good food, good drinks and a good time were had by all! There was even a, competitive at times, 'White Elephant' gift exchange. Congratulations are in order to Jack for taking home the evening's most coveted gift, a luxury toilet bowl cleaner.

Many thanks to the Duckworth's for hosting!

## District Governor Johnathan Lucas

During our last regular meeting of 2019, District Governor Johnathan Lucas came and spoke about Rotary and his story of starting the Alexandria West club of which he is a member.





## Welcome!

During our December 18th meeting, we officially welcomed Dr. Jibola Ayanwale to the club! Dr. Ayanwale has a long history with Rotary and we're excited to have him.

We are always looking for new faces to join us! Remember all are welcome at our weekly meeting. Talk to Laura Watts if you know of someone you think would be a good candidate for membership!

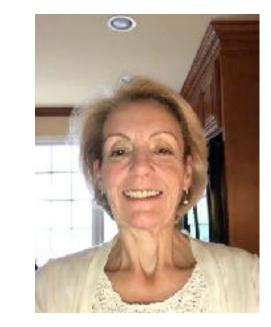
## **Roses and Rotary**



Rotary's connection to the Rose Bowl Parade dates back to 1923, when the Rotary Club of Pasadena, California, USA, entered a float. Today, The Rotary Rose Parade Float Committee oversees the process of creating and entering a float, funded by donations from eight Rotary districts and 700 individual clubs. This year's entry received the Tournament Volunteer Award.

## <u>New District Governor Announcement</u>

Sheila Brennan has been announced as the incoming District Governor for Rotary Year 2022-2023. Sheila is the past-president of the Vienna Rotary Club and currently serves as District Conference Chair. Sheila is married to another past president of Vienna Rotary Club, Matt Brennan, Esquire.



She is the oldest of ten siblings who grew up in the Chicago area. Shelia has had a distinguished 40 year career in the federal government primarily with the DOD and DEA. She was a GS-15 up until her retirement (the equivalent of a full Colonel or Navy Captain).

She was the lowest graded civilian employee in the Defense Logistics Agency to ever receive the DLA Civilian Employee of the Year. First time it was ever awarded to an employee at the GS-7 level.

She received more than 30 outstanding performance ratings over her years of service.

Current District Governor Johnathan Lucas says Shelia, "embodies the true spirit of being a Rotarian, *Service above Self.*" He goes on to say Shelia been an amazing teammate at the district level, has shown creativity, positive energy, and leadership and will be an excellent district governor.

