



#### **Today's Speaker: K. Andrew Wroblewski**

K. Andrew Wroblewski is a Supervisory Special Agent with the Diplomatic Security Service (DSS) currently serving in Beijing, China as the Minister Counselor for Diplomatic Security for the U.S. Mission to China. Mr. Wroblewski is a career member of the Senior Foreign Service. As the senior U.S. law enforcement representative in China, Mr. Wroblewski serves as the principal advisor to the ambassador on all security issues. He also coordinates all U.S. security programs in China which are designed to protect employees from terrorist, criminal, and technical threats. Mr. Wroblewski supervises not only all DSS special agents in China but also other Diplomatic Security personnel including security engineering officers, security technical specialists, Marine Security Guards (MSG), and local security staff.

#### **Wrap Up—Ed's Introduction**

I hope you were able to hear the introduction talk from Ed last week. It was a very thought-provoking presentation. Always keep the "5 Fs" in everything you do. Otto provided the following "insider information:" In the military the highest rank a Chaplain can receive is Major General (2 stars). Therefore, Ed achieved the highest rank possible for him at Brigadier General! There are only 4 Chaplains who can be generals in DC at one time. He is in an elite ministry." Otto also observed "Ed made me feel old since I retired in 1988 and he started in 1989." Um, Otto, I was commissioned in 1990. You don't want to see the picture.

#### **Calendar Call – Food for Others 5K and Fun Run**

Last year, some of us ran in the annual Food for Others 5K. This year's run will be different due to COVID and social distancing. It will take place on Friday, 25 September through Sunday, 27 September 2020 and will be anywhere you'd like it to be! It could be a trail, your neighborhood, or your treadmill. Just be sure to record your time and take photos to share. Post your race photos on social media using the hashtag #Foodforothers5K. Prizes will be awarded for photos of the best race costume, most creative route, best pet photo, and more! All participants who register before September 10 will receive a Food for Others 5K t-shirt mailed to their home. Your \$30 registration fee provides rice and beans to 25 families. If you would like to be part of the BXRC "team", contact POC Kate.

#### **4 September Speaker: Chris Elzey**

Chris Elzey holds a PhD in American Studies from Purdue University. He received an M.A. in American Studies from the University of Alabama, and a B.A. in English from the University of Pennsylvania. After graduating from Penn, he lived several years in Europe and Australia, where he played professional basketball. His major areas of academic interest are sport history, and post-WWII American history and culture. He has written on the Cold War and sport, basketball history, ethnicity and Olympic history. He is the co-editor of *DC Sports: The Nation's Capital at Play* (2015). He oversees the Sport and American Culture minor at George Mason.

#### **18 September Speaker: Perry Ditch, "The Cheery Music Project"**

Music teacher and Rotarian Perry Ditch set up a connection between Jacksonville, NC's White Oak High School and those at Cheery Education Center, in the slums of Nairobi, Kenya. Ditch said his students performed a concert live over Skype for the CEC students and found the Kenyans had no music program or instruments. The students undertook a multi-phased project, starting with upgrading the wi-fi at CEC so that their Kenyan counterparts could have joint lessons with them via Skype. Then they began teaching scales and how to read music. The students helped secure 100 recorders for the CEC students, allowing them to begin putting into practice what they are hearing and seeing. Ditch said the experience is opening the eyes of his students.

#### **Here's Our Guest!**

Do you remember when we would meet at Goodwin House and every so often, we would welcome a guest or two to our breakfast? Just because we are meeting via Zoom doesn't mean we can't invite some guests. We have had several guests for our International Zoom Series, so why not our regular meetings? Do you remember how you became a Rotarian? It was probably because someone invited you to a meeting. Why not extend the same invitation you got to someone you know? Every present member knows any number of friends, family or co-workers that might be interested to take a look. I haven't had a guest section in the newsletter in a long time. I will start that again.



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<u>Today's Program</u>		<u>Rotary Birthdays</u>	<u>Rotary Anniversaries</u>
Pledge of Allegiance	Announcements	None	Judy, 28 Aug 2015
Invocation	Program / Speaker		Gloria, 29 Aug 2014
Birthdays / Songs	4-Way Test		John H., 2 Sep 1994
Guests			

### ***Speaker Schedule***

28 Aug	Andrew Wroblewsk of the US diplomatic security team at the US Embassy in Beijing.
4 Sep	Dr. Chris Elzey, GMU Professor, Sports
11 Sep	Dr. Benjamin Schwartz, Director of Epidemiology & Population Health Fairfax County Health Department
18 Sep	Rotarian Perry Ditch, "The Cheery Music Project"

### ***Calling all Rotarian Reporters***

The stories you are reading in this newsletter come from you; I can't be everywhere at the same time (although I wish I could be). Please provide me Rotary information you would like to see at [SEW17@msn.com](mailto:SEW17@msn.com) or 434-426-4880. Your photos and stories about what Bailey's Crossroads Rotary Club is doing in our community could be right here.

### ***Zoom Facilitation***

Do you want to mute other people? If you would like to learn how to host our Zoom club meetings, please let Bob know. Training is very quick and easy. Having a Zoom account is not necessary. This will give you credit toward your blue badge.

### ***2020 White House Christmas Ornament Now Available***

This year's White House Christmas Ornament features President John F. Kennedy's portrait and a quote from First Lady Jacqueline. It is beautiful and priced \$21.00 each. Contact Alice at [baileyaw@aol.com](mailto:baileyaw@aol.com) of 703-220-6904 to purchase yours.

### ***Nationals Update – Willie Mays is Envious***

With the Nationals currently mired in last place and on a three game losing streak, sometimes one play will make you get up out of your seat and cheer. Fresh off a rain delay in the sixth inning of the Nationals' 8-3 loss to the Phillies on Tuesday at Nationals Park, the agile Victor Robles chased down Alec Bohm's line drive off reliever Javy Guerra to center field. Following the ball with his eyes, Robles twisted his body to leap and outstretch his glove arm at the same time for a how-did-he-just-do-that catch. Statcast projected the liner at 376 feet with a 104.3 mph exit velocity. The momentum carried Robles onto the warning track in center field before he turned to see the action behind him. Jean Segura, who had been on first base, was already past second. Quick on his feet with quick thinking, Robles then hurled the ball 85 mph to first baseman Asdrúbal Cabrera on the fly to catch a sliding Segura attempting to hurry back to first and complete the inning-ending double play. Even Kimberly was impressed.

