



Today's Speaker: DG Harry

BXRC is scheduled for its annual visit from the District Governor. However, this year's appearance by the DG has two new wrinkles. First, there will not be a DG dinner prior to the meeting (bummer, because I understand the DG is a Foodie) and second, the DG is a member of BXRC. Harry will give us a State of the District and provide the vision for the rest of his year as DG. This is a meeting you should attend. I do not know if he will appear as his alter ego. In case you did not know, DG Harry appeared at a Rotary District Conference as one part of the Blues Brothers (he was Jake). Look for DG Harry



performing at comedy clubs and blues dives around the country as Jake Blues. His go to meal is "Four fried chickens and a Coke." I should know. I was the other Blues Brother at the same conference.

Wrap Up: Toy Shopping and Delivery

On 5 Dec, several Rotarians and Mason District Station police officers assembled at Skyline Target to purchase toys for BXRC's annual toy drive. We purchased over 400 toys and books - spending over \$3000.00 to provide a Merry Christmas for many children in the Bailey's Crossroads Community. Members had previously donated approximately 50 toys and donated additional funds to purchase toys. One third of the toys and books were delivered to the Mason District Police Station where they will be collected by the FCPD Motorcycle Police and distributed over the holidays to children in local hospitals through the Santa's Ride Program. One third went to the local Mason District Police Station for the Gary Claus Christmas Outreach Program for children in the Mason District Police Station Community. The remaining toys and books were delivered to St. Anthony's Church youth group who will wrap them and provide them to children in the Culmore area. This year over 70 families will be happy recipients of toys from the St. Anthony's youth group. Another contribution of \$500.00 worth of pajamas was also donated to the 3rd annual Pajama and Sock drive conducted by the Mason District Police Officers. Well done to all.



2021-22 BXRC Board of Directors Slate Announced

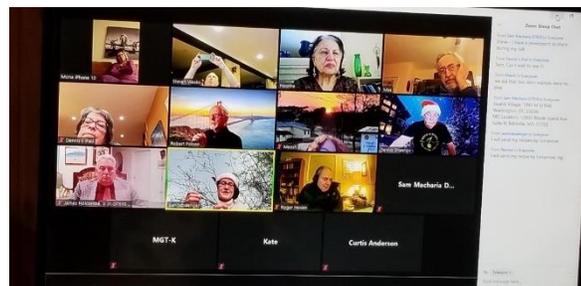
The slate for the next Rotary Year's Board of Directors was announced at last week's meeting. The slate is as follows: President Curtis, President-Elect Jim, Vice President Ed, Secretary Pam, Treasurer Christian, Assistant Treasurer Dave, Director of Membership/Sgt-At-Arms Tijani, Director of Public Image Elizabeth, Director of Fundraising Sam, Director of Club Service Neesa, Director of Vocational Service Rob, Director of Community Service Kate, Director of International Service Mustafa, Director of Youth Services / Youth Exchange Gloria. There will be time for club members to think about the makeup of the incoming board and make nominations if so desired. The slate will be voted on by the entire club during the 18 Dec meeting. Thank you to our nominating committee for their hard work.

Calendar Call, 11 Dec, Gift Cards for Vintage Virginians

This holiday season, BXRC is working with the Fairfax County Community Services Board (CSB) through ACCA to distribute gift cards for older adults in Annandale and Falls Church who have a disability or are in need. If you wish to purchase a gift card for \$30 from either Giant or Safeway, please contact Juanita at jbalenger@mindspring.com or call 703.731.1032. These are the only stores that have been requested by CSB from our club. Gift cards are due to Juanita by Friday, 11 Dec. (POC: Juanita)

Wrap Up: BXRC Holidays Celebrations

On 5 Dec, several Rotarians joined together to share memories of their family or cultural celebrations, especially as it is related to food during the holidays. We heard about celebrations in Afghanistan, Cuba, Ireland, Norway, Kenya, the United Kingdom, as well as the Jewish faith. Many of the presenters provided recipes for delish holiday food, which will be sent to the club soon. Thanks to all who attended; looking forward to gathering in person next year.



Today's Program
 Pledge of Allegiance
 Invocation
 Birthdays / Songs
 Guests

Announcements
 Program / Speaker
 4-Way Test

Rotary Birthdays
 Gloria, 14 Dec
 Don, 16 Dec

Rotary Anniversaries
 Donna, 16 Dec 1994

Speaker Schedule

11 Dec	DG Harry Club Visit
18 Dec	Kathryn Madigan, Principal of Glasgow Middle School
25 Dec	No Meeting
1 Jan	No Meeting
8 Jan	Club Forum
15 Jan	Meesh, eSwatini Projects
22 Jan	Sally Lawton Author of The Nurse Who Found Herself in 1916

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. BXRC now has two contacts to get your ornament. Contact Alice at baileyaw@aol.com Phone 703-220-6904 or Pam at pammartinov@gmail.com Phone 703-887-4411 to purchase yours.

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. How did you become a Rotarian? Probably because someone invited you to a meeting. Why not extend the same invitation you got to someone you know? Every present member knows someone that might be interested.

Editor's Prerogative—Pearl Harbor

This previous Monday was the 79th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor. Growing up, I tried to learn everything I could about that day and made visiting Pearl Harbor one of those things on my bucket list. Back in 2015, I got the opportunity to visit. It was an incredible and moving visit. Shown are two photos from that day. By the way, did you know that BXRC has its own connection to that horrible day? A former member and past president of our club, Bob Allen, was serving in the US Navy on 7 December 1941 and provided our club his first-hand account of the day. If you would like to know the story, please contact me or Kimberly and we will send you his recollections.



As for last week's trivia question, Max correctly identified three of the four participants at the BXRC Tomb of the Unknown Soldier Wreath Ceremony. Below are the four participants: Bill, Ben, John, and Steven.

