



Welcome President Bob

July 1 marked the first day of our club's new President Bob. In a Zoom event on Saturday, 27 June, Bob was sworn in by incoming (at that time) DG Harry. With Bob sworn in, Bob then swore in his Board of Directors. Good luck to Bob and the RY2020-21 BXRC Board of Directors.

Induction of DG Harry

On Sunday, 28 June, outgoing DG Jonathan inducted incoming DG Harry during a Zoom event broadcast from Harry's driveway. In case you did not know, Harry was BXRC president RY2014-15. BXRC members attending the appropriately masked and socially distanced ceremony included Juanita (who brought Harry to his first Rotary meeting all those years ago), DGE Pat and Dave, Ben, Katie and Jackie, Jim, Kelly and Joe, new club president Bob, Gloria, club IPP K and Steven. The ceremony started with a driveby parade of other BXRC members (thanks to all of you who participated) led by the Fairfax County Police Department (really, it is not a BXRC party until the cops roll by, right!?). Harry is excited to start his year of leadership as "Rotary Opens Opportunities."



Induction of DGE Pat

The induction of DG Harry also saw another BXRC member elevated to a district leadership position. Pat took the oath (from more than 6 feet away and wearing a mask) from DG Harry as the new District Governor Elect. Her term will be RY2021-22. Pat was BXRC President RY2015-16. It looks like Pat is always following Harry in leadership positions. We look forward to Pat leading the District.

Last Week's Meeting

With all of the inaugurations and transitions last weekend, let's not forget last week's club meeting. During our meeting, we inducted Tijani as a member (instead of "permanent guest") of BXRC. Next, we voted on the membership application of Christian – a resounding and unanimous vote! He and his wife are expecting their first child "soon" (as in Christian will probably not be at this Friday's meeting "due" to that), President K gave a wrap up of her year by thanking her board for all of their accomplishments this year before she "rides into the sunset" (or she is going to Disney World!). The meeting ended with Steven presenting her a plaque (with a gavel on it) for her year of inspiring leadership. President K was overcome with emotion.

Tackling Food Insecurity in Bailey's Crossroads

Thank you to Sarah, Dennis and Ben for being People of Action and ordering, picking up, delivering, and / or coordinating with both ACCA and the Islamic Center to ensure food is getting to their food pantries to combat food insecurity. Both locations received another \$2,000 worth of non-perishable food, a total of \$4,000. Great support to these local charities. All totaled, BXRC provided \$42,800 in food / donations for food between 1 Apr-30 Jun 2020. Well done all!



3 July 2020

<u>Today's Program</u>		<u>Rotary Birthdays</u>	<u>Rotary Anniversaries</u>
Pledge of Allegiance	Announcements	John, 4 Jul	None
Invocation	Program / Speaker	Juanita, 6 Jul	
Birthdays / Songs	4-Way Test	President Bob, 7 Jul	
Guests			

Speaker Schedule

3 Jul	RY 2020-2021 President's Vision
10 Jul	Jose Gutierrez, The Borgen Project to Fight Global Poverty
17 Jul	Club Forum #1
24 Jul	Don Lee, Behind the Scenes at "60 Minutes"
31 Jul	Mustafa Introduction Talk
7 Aug	Dr. Steve Morrison, SVP, Global Health Policy Center for Strategic and International Studies
14 Aug	President Bob Reintroduction Talk
21 Aug	Ed Introduction Talk
4 Sep	Dr. Chris Elzey, GMU Professor, Sports

Nationals Update

When I spoke to President Bob this week, he said he liked the Nationals Updates in the newsletter. Even with the change in leadership, some things will remain the same.

July 1 was the day that players were to report to their teams to begin spring training (aka "Summer Camp"). Most of the Nationals made their way to the park, with the exception of Ryan Zimmerman and Joe Ross, both opting out of the season based on the health of their families. Sean Doolittle reported but said he is unsure as to if he will play this year as well, because of his family's health. The season is expected to start on 23 July.

If this season had not been interrupted by COVID-19, this weekend was expected to be **HUGE** for the Nationals and their fans. The Nationals World Series opponent, the Houston Astros, were to visit Nationals Park for a three-game series. When the schedule came out in December, this was the weekend that Teddy and I had circled as the one to attend. Not only would it be a chance for the Nationals to beat the Astros in Washington (remember the road team won every World Series game this year), but with the unfortunate cheating scandal that cost Houston manager A.J. Hinch his job, former Nats manager Dusty Baker took the reins and would be with the team in DC. It would have been a treat to see Dusty in a dugout again. Sadly, these games will not be played.

Well, the 4th of July will not have baseball this year, but we can still be proud of our country and national pastime. Let's just leave it at "Bang! Zoom go the fireworks at Nats Park!"

