



Today's Speaker: Johnetta's Introduction

We are looking forward to hearing about one of our newer members, Johnetta. Johnetta was an Early Identification Program (EIP) and George Mason University graduate. She spent summers in high school in the EIP Summer Academy. She served as a Resident Advisor to freshmen and upperclassmen students. These introductions to be the best presentations we have.

Calendar Call – 11 October: BXRC Socially Distanced Picnic

Before the weather turns cold, the Club Service Committee is hosting a socially distanced picnic. The event is Sunday, 11 Oct 2020, 12:00 Noon. The location is Mason District Park, Picnic Shelter A (off Columbia Pike, then turn right up the hill). Please bring your family, your own food, your own chairs, and one (or more) of the following items for the special Food For Others "Power-Pack" for elementary students needing food during weekends: Mac & cheese cups, tuna kits with crackers, Pasta cups, Chef Boyardee cups, 100% fruit juice boxes, and Sun Juice pouches. (POCs: Steven and Gloria)

Upcoming Speaker: 16 October, Maria Eck

Ms. Eck is principal of Justice High School. She is a proud Cuban-American and her bilingualism in English and Spanish and understanding of diverse communities has been an important part of her approach when working with students, parents, and community members. Ms. Eck will provide an update on the support BXRC provides Justice High School, which included the presentation of a check for \$1,200 to buy gift cards for teachers to thank them for their service. In the photo from 18 Sep, Jim, Gloria, and President Bob represented BXRC with Principal Eck.



Upcoming Speaker: 20 November, George English

Rotarian George English (an interesting surname for a resident of Scotland) will speak to BXRC live from the U.K. 2020 is the 400th Anniversary of the voyage of the Mayflower. In costume, using video and PowerPoint, George will describe the political and religious background of the period running up to 1620. Normally politics and religion are not discussed at Rotary Clubs, but given that we were talking about more than 300 years before Rotary started, we will make an exception. George had an ancestor on the original Mayflower voyage, Richard Warren. During a visit to the Plymouth Plantation near Boston, MA, he had the delight of meeting a re-enactor playing the part of his ancestor! This is an exceptional talk with echoes back to our present time and sounds like something others would like to hear, so tell your friends.



Wrap Up: Eagle Scout Project

The past Saturday, thanks to Mark, fellow Scouts from Troop 875, friends and family, the first 10 beds of FUN's vegetable garden were installed on the front lawn of First Christian Church. In 3 hours, this amazing group of people constructed 10 beds, put them in place, filled them with soil, and covered the paths with mulch. Many thanks to Mark who chose this as his Eagle Project and BXRC for their financial support. Officially named the Bee Happy Garden, FUN has already planted spinach, kale, collard greens, lettuce and carrots. Although it is too late in the year to harvest these this fall, they will survive the winter and thrive in the spring. Kudos to Sarah and Dennis for helping.

Here's Our Guest!

Last week we had no guests. 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? 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.

<u>Today's Program</u>		<u>Rotary Birthdays</u>	<u>Rotary Anniversaries</u>
Pledge of Allegiance	Announcements	Dave B., 2 Oct	Lloyd, 4 Oct 2002
Invocation	Program / Speaker	Sandy, 5 Oct	
Birthdays / Songs	4-Way Test	John T., 9 Oct	
Guests			

Speaker Schedule

2 Oct	Johnetta, Introduction Talk
9 Oct	Club Forum
16 Oct	Principal Maria Eck, Justice High School
23 Oct	Paul on Medicare
30 Oct	Dr. Bernard Cole and Dr. Cynthia Cole, Update on China
20 Nov	George English, 400 th Anniversary of the <i>Mayflower</i> Voyage

Calendar Call – 2 October: BINGO!

Want to win some prizes and help a sister Rotary Club? The Gainesville-Haymarket RC will host their 1st Annual Silent Auction and Bingo Fund Raiser. The auction starts 25 Sep and the bingo will start at 1800 on 2 Oct. For more information, go to www.GHRotary.com.

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. 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.

Mustang Update

Did you know that this past weekend we would have pulled the winning ticket in this year's Mustang raffle? Are you sad? Well, if you are missing car shows, one of the shows we normally go to will be happening on Saturday, 10 October. Go see some great vehicles. Tell Matt Curry (who spoke to our club this spring) that you are from BXRC and appreciate his support of our raffle.



Nationals Update – Nationals Will Not Repeat as World Champions

The playoffs started this week and the Nationals are not in the mix. It was great to see Juan Soto win his first (I'm sure there will be more) National League batting title, the youngest National League player ever to do so. While I am biased toward the Nationals (I already have made my first payment on my tickets for next year), because of the expanded playoff format, I am happy to see some teams that had not been in the playoffs for a long time able to get in. However, with the best two out of three in the first round of games, some teams (Toronto, Minnesota, Cleveland, and Cincinnati) quickly became the first stepping stones in someone else's path toward the World Series. Ducky is happy; Teddy is not. When I played baseball in high school, I remember our coach telling us after we were eliminated from the state championship playoffs that "only one team will win their last game." It's funny how it all gets boiled down to something that simple. Well, if you want me to make a prediction as to who will meet in the World Series (and mind you the playoffs just started), I will say that the Tampa Bay Rays and the Los Angeles Dodgers will meet in the final series. What is your prediction?