



Press Release

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McLean Rotary Club Installs New Leadership

Local businessman Paul Sawtell was installed as the 50th president of the Rotary Club of McLean at the club's annual Installation Dinner held on June 24, 2014 in the Parents Hall of Redeemer Lutheran Church. Ms. Ronnie Chentker, Assistant District Governor for Rotary District 7610, led the installation ceremony for Sawtell and the club's new officers for the 2014-2015 Rotary year.

Rotary's motto is "Service above self," and the McLean club has made a commitment to follow this motto in the local community. Outgoing club president Dale Lazar, in reviewing the work undertaken by the club last year, observed that the club provided both active and financial support to 14 local organizations, honored seniors from three local high schools with Youth Service Awards, granted college scholarships to five local students, sponsored Interact Clubs at both McLean and Langley High Schools, supported seven international projects, and was a leader and financial supporter to the local Stop Hunger Now campaign.

In his remarks outlining the direction the club will take in the new year, incoming President Sawtell reaffirmed the club's commitment to service, but also added that service would be performed with an attitude of fun and fellowship. "The McLean Rotary Club will continue to work hard during the coming year to support organizations providing essential services to our community. In doing so we are going to have a good time and celebrate our association with these organizations."

Officers and directors for the 2014-2015 club year are:

President:	Paul Sawtell
Past President:	Dale Lazar
President Elect:	Lynn Heinrichs
Vice President:	Todd Dempsey

Secretary:	Michael Ariette
Treasurer:	Jan Auerback
Sergent-at-arms	Thamir Al'Hashimi
Membership Director:	Steve Richardson
Service Director:	Kathy Martin
Rotary International Foundation:	Ed Holman
Director at Large:	Bob Nath
Director at Large:	George Sachs
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Rotary is an international, 1.25 million-member service organization founded in 1905 to provide a place where professionals with diverse backgrounds could exchange ideas and form meaningful, lifelong friendships. Rotary's name comes from the early practice of rotating meetings among the offices of the different members.

The Rotary Club of Mclean meets for lunch on Tuesdays at 12:00 noon, in Fellowship Hall of the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, 1545 Chain Bridge Road, McLean, Virginia 22101. Visiting Rotarians and interested members of the community are invited to the weekly meetings.

For more information about the Rotary Club of McLean visit the clubs website at:

www.mcleanrotary.org.

For more information about Rotary International visit the organizations website at:

www.rotary.org.



Pictured from Left to Right are:

Assistant District Governor Ronnie Chentker, Michael Ariette, Club President Paul Sawtell, Todd Dempsey, Lynn Heinrichs, past President Dale Lazar, Jan Auerbach, and Thamir Al'Hashimi.

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