

Rotary Club of East Arlington



Sunday, March 10, 2024



Club Meeting

East Arlington
Meets at Blue Sky Golf Club
1700 Monument Rd
Jacksonville, FL 32225-2807
Time: Thursday at 07:30 AM

Events

January 9th
East Arlington-School Advisory Council - Terry Park
Speaker: Terry Parker
High School - School Advisory Council (SAC)
Meeting

Subject: January meeting

January 11th
East Arlington Weekly Club Meeting 2nd and 4th Thursday

January 25th
East Arlington Weekly Club Meeting 2nd and 4th Thursday

February 8th
East Arlington Weekly Club Meeting 2nd and 4th Thursday

February 13th
East Arlington-School Advisory Council - Terry Park
Speaker: Terry Parker
High School - School Advisory Council (SAC)
Meeting

Subject: February meeting

Q3 President's Letter

By Stephanie Danielle Langford on Tuesday, February 20, 2024

President's Letter

As president of this small, mighty club, I am so very thankful to all of our members, friends of Rotary, strong community partnerships, staff at Terry Parker High School, speakers who spend precious time engaging us during our club meetings, supporters of our fundraisers, volunteers at our service projects around the Arlington area of Jacksonville, Rotary District 6970 leaders, and Blue Sky Gold Club for being such warm hosts.

That sure is a mouthful! And the truth is, we could only do as much good in this community with everyone pitching in. We participate in Rotary for many reasons. One is to make a more significant impact in group efforts than we could make as individuals. We started to think about how our club could help. Still, as we set plans into motion, it all becomes an effort of an even GREATER COMMUNITY. When we keep moving forward, it all unfolds before us. And the next thing we know, a recipient of a service project is telling us something like... "Thank you so much. This is beautiful... almost overwhelming.

This restores my faith and confidence in today's youth." Yes, that happened on February 1st, right here in the Arlington community in Jacksonville, FL. If that is not Creating Hope in the World, I do not know what it is. This is community pride, not just a Rotary project.

I humbly thank everyone listed above. It takes a village, for sure!

Weâ€™re staying busy this year, for certain!

Service Projects Summary:

- October â€™ Brain Game books delivered to Healthy Start Coalition of Northeast Florida
- November â€™ Tree Hill Service Day, Thanksgiving Community Hunger Fight event, Salvation Army Bell
- Ringing
- December â€™ Pacifico Family Christmas support operation, Youth Crisis Center gift drive
- January â€™ Birthday cards for terminally ill child
- February â€™ joint service project with Terry Parker students and faculty â€™ sending Valentines to the residents Arlington Adult Residential home
- March â€™ 7 Creeks Festival â€™ Teach a child to Fish

Socials Summary:

- October â€™ Truck or Treat â€™ team up with Downtown Rotaract
- November
- December â€™ Christmas party hosted by the Schulerâ€™s
- January â€™ no social, but spend days together on the first weekend of February for the Pork But fund
- Raising event.
- February â€™ Super Bowl Party â€™ hosted by the Selahâ€™s
- March 1 â€™ Friday Day Burger Night â€™ at Blue Sky Golf Club

February 22nd
**East Arlington
Weekly Club Meeting
2nd and 4th
Thursday**

March 12th
**East Arlington-
School Advisory
Council - Terry Park
Speaker:** Terry Parker
High School - School
Advisory Council (SAC)
Meeting

Subject: Terry Parker
High School - School
Advisory Council (SAC)
Meeting March meeting

March 14th
**East Arlington
Weekly Club Meeting
2nd and 4th
Thursday**

March 16th
**East Arlington -
March Tree Hill
Nature Center
Service**

Speaker: NA
Subject: March Tree
Hill Nature Preserve
Service Day Area of
Focus: Environment

March 28th
**East Arlington
Weekly Club Meeting
2nd and 4th
Thursday**

Club Leaders



**Stephanie
Danielle
Langford**
President



**James Oliver
Smith Jr.**
President-Elect
Secretary
Vice President



**Thomas A.
Trotta**
Past President
Club Admin
Chair
Webmaster



**Sonja Lorraine
Jones**
Public Image
Chair
Interact Chair
iPast President
Youth Services
Overall Chair

March 1st - Friday Day Burger Night at Blue Sky Golf Club

Fund raisers:

- October - First Coast Head Race Parking Lot fund raiser
- October/November - Flags for Heroes
- January/February - Smoked Pork Butts

Membership - Our number was reduced by one member, Jimmy Casello. But, that was for very exciting, positive reasons. Jimmy took a position at a golf club in Georgia. We'll miss him. But we wish him well in his career move. We expect to see him join a Rotary club in GA when he gets settled in up there. We are happy to say we regained a former member, Michelle Volland, as well. She is a past president of our club. She has also held many other board positions. We are happy to have her back, and look forward to the work she will do with us in the future.

We continue to look for innovative ways to grow our membership. There are a few people who have expressed interest in joining our club. And we have much planned around work with the Terry Parker High School community. We are optimistic the additional work and exposure there will also increase awareness of Rotary, and pique interest in our club.

Youth Services

Consistent SAC monthly meeting attendance has gained great relationships with Terry Parker H. S.

Ready to re-instate the Terry Parker Interact

Sending 3 Terry Parker Student to RYLA

Scott continues to be active soccer at Terry Parker HS and at Arlington Middle School.

- coming up , as mentioned above we will sponsor 30 kids in Teach a Child to Fish at 7 Creeks Fest

We are currently looking for candidates for the Rotary Club of East Arlington Annual Scholarship.

Finally, District/Zone news: We will welcome Dale Moe from District 6970 the week of Feb. 22. He will present the Rotary Club of East Arlington with the EREY and TRF banners that we earned during the 2022-2023 Rotary Year under the leadership of Sonja Jones. Thank you again, Sonja, to your commitment to leading the Rotary Club of East Arlington so successfully, and establishing a vision and direction that we will continue to follow this year.

Thank you, everyone, for another great quarter! I can't wait to see what is next , as we keep on Creating Hope in the World!

Warmest regards!

Stephanie D. Langford
Rotary Club of East Arlington
President 2023-24



[Sandra Jean Rogers](#)
Treasurer



[Mark T. Vanderberg](#)
Sergeant-at-Arms



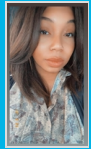
[Scott Schuler](#)
Youth Services Project Chair



[Liz Ferrell](#)
Bulletin Editor
Webmaster



[Brian Lee](#)
Rotary Foundation Chair



[Shanell L Jones](#)
Web & Social Media
Webmaster

Birthdays

Jane A. Sievers
January 3rd

Brian Lee
February 4th

Shanell L Jones
March 1st

Recent Events

By Liz Ferrell on Sunday, March 10, 2024

Celebrating Recent Events:

- **7 Creeks Fest - Youth Fishing Clinic**
 - Thank you to everyone who participated in the 7 Creeks Fest Youth Fishing Clinic! It was a fantastic day of fishing and fun for all the youth anglers who joined us. Special thanks to our volunteers and sponsors for making this event possible.
 - **Super Bowl Party**
 - Our Super Bowl Party was a huge success! Thank you to everyone who came out to watch the game and enjoy the food and drinks. It was a great evening filled with camaraderie and excitement.
 - **RLI Facilitator Training**
 - Congratulations to all the participants who completed the RLI Facilitator Training! Your dedication and commitment to learning and leadership are truly commendable. We look forward to seeing you apply your new skills as facilitators in the future.
 - **Micah's Backpack**
 - Thank you to everyone who supported Micah's Backpack! Your generosity and kindness have made a difference in the lives of children in need. Your donations and volunteer efforts are greatly appreciated.
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[March 1 - 3, 2024](#)

[President Elect Training Seminar](#) - PETS 2

DoubleTree Seaworld,
Orlando

[March 5, 2024](#)

[District Grants Summit I](#)

[Via Zoom](#)

[March 31, 2024](#)

[Watson and Williams Award Nomination Deadline](#)

April 20, 2024

[Rotary Learning Institute](#)

Daytona State College,
Palm Coast

[May 3 - 4, 2024](#)

[District Conference](#)

University Center
UNF, Jacksonville

May TBD

Terry Parker High School College Scholarship

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