

Rotary



Club of Prince George County

Tuesday, May 11, 2021

Club Meeting

Prince George County Meets at Luca Italian Restaurant
6411 Courthouse Road
Prince George, VA 23875
Time: Wednesday at 07:30 AM



Rotary Opens Opportunities

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Agriculture & Forestry Programs of interest to Prince George County

By Renee Chapline on Sunday, May 9, 2021



Emily Flippo will speak to the club on May 12 in our Zoom meeting. She is the Project Manager in the Office of Agriculture & Forestry Development at the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Service. Her presentation will describe the scope of the work of her office and will highlight programs that are and can be of benefit to Prince George County. Prince George Rotarians Renee Chapline is the program host.

Emily joined the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services in December 2018 as a Project Manager in the Office of Agriculture & Forestry Development. Emily works to promote economic development in Virginia's agriculture and forestry sectors by helping companies navigate local, state and federal business assistance resources, as well as industry-specific partnerships.

Emily graduated from Washington & Lee University in May of 2016 with a bachelor's degree in Mass Communications and English. Previously she has worked with Virginia's Gateway Region Economic Development Organization, Virginia Museum of History & Culture and Virginia Living Magazine.

Earl's School to be dedicated this week

By Carol Dois Woodward on Monday, May 10, 2021



This kindergarten level school in Yawhima, Ghana was a joint effort of many districts, clubs, and individuals. Our Rotary Club of Prince George County was the Grant Sponsor under the able efforts of the grant author, Shel Douglas. Shel is a past president, and past assistant governor for the Area 6 clubs in District 7600. Our district, our club, and many of our club members gave generously to the building of the school.

The most important partner in this effort was that of the Rotary Club of Sunyani Central under the able leadership efforts of Frank Owusu Debrah, Assistant Governor of District 9102 and the International Relations Chair for his club.. Frank has visited our club virtually and is set to become the International Relations



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"Earl's School" will benefit generations of children who will perhaps wonder who this Earl H. Hale, Jr. was. They will likely never know, but Earl will know that his legacy is benefitting the world long after his passing. The school will also benefit the entire community and become a center of life for communication and potable water for the residents of the area.. AG Frank advises that teacher training began on May 10 and will continue on the 11th & 12. The dedication is scheduled for the 12th. He sent this photo of the teacher training by What's App on Monday.



Earl H. Hale, Jr. a life well lived and remembered

By Carol Dois Woodward on Tuesday, May 11, 2021



The students attending Earl's School will not know who Earl Hale was other than some American man. Those who will attend the dedication of the school on Wednesday, May 12, will also have little knowledge of Earl's role as a husband, father, veteran, mentor, Rotarian, community leader, or just as a plain wonderful friend. For the benefit of those locally who did not know Earl ,here is the Rotary Obituary written by Carol Woodward and published in the both the club and the district newsletter shortly after Earl's passing. Gratitude is expressed to Earl's family who helped fill in some of the details at that time and a posthumous thank you to Earl for providing much of the information in his profile on dactdb.

Past District Governor Earl Haywood Hale, Jr.
August 10, 1926 - December 20, 2019

The Rotary Club of Prince George Rotary County and Rotary District 7600 sadly announce the passing of Past District Governor Earl H. Hale, Jr., on Friday December 20, 2019 survived by his wife Patricia C. Hale.

Earl was a man of heroism, dignity, talents, volunteer spirit and humor. He began his life in Florida ultimately graduating from college with a degree in forestry. World circumstances interrupted his love of horticulture. He served in two uniforms, first in the U.S. Navy and then in the U.S. Army. While on active

duty, he saw action in three wars, World War II, Korea, and Vietnam. After retiring from the Army, LTC (Ret) Earl H. Hale, Jr took up his first love and established his own landscaping business which he operated for many years

He was preceded in death by his first wife of 42 years, Elizabeth ♦Betzie♦ Everett Hale; brothers, Walter Hale and Charles Hale; children, Gary Earl Hale and Cheryl Hale Kanak; and sons-in-law, LTC (Ret) Roy Turgeon and Ben Kanak. He is survived by his wife, Patricia Cole Hale; children, Marilyn Turgeon Poole and husband, Charles, Bradford Bryan Hale and wife, Anne, Melissa-Beth Gates and husband, Andy, and Kevin Alexander Foster; grandchildren, Kate Turgeon-Watson and her husband, Brandon, Emily Cambra and her husband, Josh, Natalie Turgeon, Elizabeth Gates, Russell Gates, Samuel Gates, and Hannah Hale; great-grandchildren, Sara-Hale Watson, Caroline Watson, Roy Cambra, and Tillman Cambra.

Rotary was at the very center of Earl's life. He became a Rotarian in October 1973 and was ultimately President of the Rotary Club of Hopewell. He served as District Governor of District 7600 (then 760) in 1988-1989. In 1996 he founded the Rotary Club of Prince George County with Pat serving as the Charter President of the club. He also served as president of the Prince George Rotary in 2001-2002. He remained in the club, serving in many capacities until the end. On the Monday before his passing on Friday, he and Pat had hosted an all-expense paid Christmas dinner and social for the club. In fact, he continued to serve the District as well, serving in a number of roles, including leading a Group Study Exchange team to India in 2001, making him a Rotary Alumnus, a designation for Rotarians who have served on Rotary Programs. He loved to tell stories and

Events/Speakers

No Events found

Birthdays

Sasha Reynolds
June 7th

Wedding Anniversaries

Brian K. Manning
June 6th
Carol Dois Woodward
June 8th

Club Member Anniversaries

Shel M. Douglas
05-11-2011
10 Years

Casey Logan
05-23-2018
3 Years

Lee Chappell
05-23-2018
3 Years

show souvenirs from that trip.

The Rotary Foundation was similarly very important to Earl. He was a Major Donor, Sustaining Member, and donor to Polio Plus and a Benefactor. His generosity went beyond donating. He took delight in educating new Rotarians about The Rotary Foundation and the good works of Rotary throughout the world. In 2004 he was the recipient of the Meritorious Service Citation, a Rotary District Award endorsed by Rotary International, which a recipient may receive only once.

At the Rotary Zone 33 Level Earl served on a number of important committees for multiple years including the Nomination Committee for Rotary International Director and on the Zone Institute Committee which is the committee which designs training for district leaders in the zone.

While devoted to Rotary, Earl was also actively involved in the community serving in many capacities, particularly on the Prince George County Electoral Board and the Prince George County Grand Jury. He never lost his love of horticulture and gardening and as a result was the leader in the landscaping projects with Rotary for County facilities such as the Comfort Station at the Appomattox River Regional Park, the Prince George County Library, and the Prince George County Animal Services.

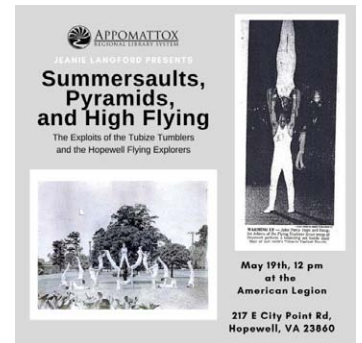
None of these words capture Earl's spirit and talent. He loved bow-ties, and tam-o-shanters. He never complained, never whined, and was always ready to listen to the needs of others. He was an accomplished pianist and spoke French fluently. He did love adding little French side comments to some conversations. He was a kind, loving gentleman.

Going forward, the Rotary Club of Prince George County Rotary and District 7600 will be guided by Earl's true Rotary spirit and vision. We will all remember Earl's oft repeated saying, "It's a great day!"

Library Starts the Lunch & Learn Lecture Series

By Brian K. Manning on Tuesday, May 11, 2021

Historic Hopewell Foundation's partners with the library for lecture series. Appomattox Regional Library's Jeanie Langford will kick off the Historic Hopewell Foundation's Weston Lectures this summer in a different, larger location - the American Legion, on May 19th at noon! Ms. Langford explores the history of unique local entertainment from the 1920's and 1960's. The coed Tubize Tumblers were the toast of Hopewell during the 1920s and early 1930s. Later, the Hopewell Flying Explorers were known around the state and nation. Their skill earned a trip to the 1964 World's Fair. The Explorers brought many championships home to the City of Hopewell. Join the library in celebrating the area's local history. The American Legion is located at 217 East City Point Road, Hopewell.



Volunteer Event at James River NWR

By Lillian K Boyd on Sunday, May 9, 2021



Volunteer Event at James River NWR
by Lillian K. Boyd & Lisa Crowder

The staff at the James River National Wildlife Refuge invites the Prince George Rotary to celebrate their return to volunteer events to clean up the mighty James River.

On the morning of Saturday, May 22, starting at sunrise (5:30 am) until 10:00 am, volunteers will start collecting human-made debris along the beach. The debris will be sorted, recycled or otherwise disposed of properly.

Note the following: (a) volunteers are welcomed at anytime during the clean up (b) this is a Covid-cautious event with social distancing, wearing of masks and the use of hand sanitizer (c) preregistration is required via email: cyrus_brame@fws.gov.

The James River National Wildlife Refuge staff is proud of their past accomplishments. The Powell Creek Nature Trail was recently awarded the Governor's Environmental Excellence Silver Award from the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality.

Let's meet on May 22 for a morning of service!



Planning and Planting Natives to Sustain our Environment

By Janice L. Rowley on Tuesday, May 11, 2021

Last week in our Rotary meeting, I shared information about getting started planning your yard to sustain the environment and moving away from the ornamentals that many landscaping companies will recommend for your yard. I am just learning but we have many resources available to us so I want to provide a few tips and resources that have helped me.



Let me say, I am a lazy gardener so it is wonderful to hear that one of the first suggestions is to "give up the golf course."

In other words, start shrinking any areas in your yard where you are using non-native grasses that require fertilizer, constant watering through dry periods, weekly maintenance. Plants that are native to our area do not require that much work. Fertilizers and chemicals used on those tidy lawns wash into our streams and watershed and pollute our ground soil and eventually even the Chesapeake Bay.

All of our yards are a habitat into which you can invite native plants that sustain native caterpillars (food source for birds), the larval stage for moths and butterflies, and nectar source for pollinators and birds like hummingbirds and others.

Here are a few of the resources that have been recommended to me:

Native Plants for Virginia's Capital Region printed by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality with funding from a host of collaborators like Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program, Virginia Department of Inland Game and Fisheries (DGIF), Virginia Cooperative Extension and its Master Gardeners Programs. All of these collaborators have excellent information and further resources at their websites.

Habitat at Home produced by VA DGIF is another great resource.

Common Native Trees of Virginia produced by the Virginia Department of Forestry is a handy guide with an excellent guide to non-native invasive species beginning on page 100.

Scott Reiter, our local Virginia Soil and Water Extension Agent from Virginia Tech is a great resource and pointed me to [Butterflies in Your Backyard](#). There are links in the publication to other publications as well.

Janet Fisher Callis, current President of the Prince George Master Gardeners, and the entire team of Master Gardeners are a priceless resource in our community. Be sure to put their fall plant sale, scheduled for October 2 at the Prince George Regional Heritage Museum on your calendar now. The plants they sell are native, inexpensive, and the Master Gardeners are on hand to advise on planting.

Diane Cook, who now works in the Hopewell Stormwater Program has been an invaluable resource since she worked for Prince George County. She is a Master Gardener and a Chesapeake Bay Landscape Professional.

Besides checking out websites of the organizations listed above, I recommend (if you are on Facebook) following groups like Virginia Native Plant Society Group, Pollinator Friendly Yards, and, of course The Chesapeake Bay Foundation and National Wildlife.

There is a wealth of information available so stretch your toe into the water or dive into the pool. Your birds, bees, toads, and butterflies will thank you if you add even one native plant to your landscaping this year!

Generous Donors to Support our Family of Rotary in India

By Janice L. Rowley on Tuesday, May 11, 2021



Last week, I learned of an opportunity to join with Rotarians throughout Rotary Zone 33 to rush portable oxygen ventilators to hard hit medical facilities in India. Nancy Barbee who has led many National Immunization Day(NID) trips to India worked with other District leaders in our Zone to initiate this life saving effort for India. With strong contacts in the medical community in India, we can be sure our individual donations to this effort will be effectively used to relieve some of the pressures for the people of India.

As usual, Alisa Skipper, our Treasurer, stepped up to the extra responsibility to receive our individual donations to this fund and she reported to me that we raised \$850 to send for this critical supply need. Thank you to Alisa and our generous Rotarians for supporting a quick response to assist our Rotary friends and their communities in India.

When Doing is as Much Fun as Reading

By Brian K. Manning on Monday, May 3, 2021

The Appomattox Regional LibrarySystem (ARLS) is offering hobby kits. *This reprint of last week's article is worthy of sharing again. What a fun opportunity for folks (especially kiddos) to get some tactile stuff happening.* Some people learn best by reading. Some learn best by doing. ARLS is trying to provide the compromise for everyone.

Last month the library started offering a hobby kit on a limited basis to see how successful it would be. The library tested the idea with ten "Take Home Herb Garden" kits. With pots, dirt, seeds and a list of beginning gardeners books, all the patron had to provide was the water. All ten kits were gone within the first week.

This month check out the library's newest hobby kit!! No, seriously, the library means actually check out its Colourful Fun Embroidery and get a kit to create the Good Vibes Hoop featured on the kit's cover. This beginner level embroidery project has everything you need to try embroidery for the first time. When you're done, return the book and keep the kit. Call 804-458-6329 to reserve your kit with book today. The kit will be available for pick up at any library location. The library is still weighing the success of the program so the number of the available embroidery kits is limited. If this kit isn't to your taste, suggest other possible hobby kits the library could assemble by emailing your idea to admin@arls.org.



The Four Way Test


By Carol Dois Woodward on Monday, June 8, 2020

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THE FOUR-WAY TEST
Of the things we think, say, or do

The Four-Way Test is a straightforward and convenient ethical guide for Rotarians to use for their personal and professional relationships.

1. **Is it the TRUTH?**
2. **Is it FAIR to all concerned?**
3. **Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?**
4. **Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?**

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