

Rotary

Club of East Arlington



Club Meeting

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

Events

October 18th
Terry Parker Interact Meeting

October 24th
East Arlington Weekly Mtg - Alan Bliss, Jax Historical - Spkr

November 1st
Terry Parker Interact Meeting

November 9th
Hunger Fight Table

Club Leaders



James Oliver Smith Jr.
President



Michelle M. Volland
President-Elect
Vice President



Carroll Phipps
Treasurer

Sandra Jean Rogers

October 2024 Announcements

We hope everyone made it through Milton and Helene safe and sound. If anyone has any storm-related concerns the club could help with, email Club Secretary Sandy Rogers at sandrarogersfl@outlook.com.

We are resuming regular operations on the newsletter, the first month of each quarter we will feature articles from members covering club activities, items of interest, and the President's Message. On the subsequent months of each quarter, we will present a more streamlined version simply containing club updates. Please keep a lookout in your email!

Club Events

October 24th is World Polio Day

Service Projects / Fundraisers

- October 12th, 8-12a: Parking, Rowing Parking Lot
- November 9th, 9-11a: Hunger Fight, Prime Osborne Convention Center
- November 30th, 10a-6p, Salvation Army Bell-Ringing, Publix @ Town Center

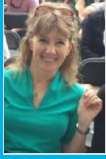
Club Socials

- October 19th, 2-4p: Trunk or Treat, Spring Park Elementary Parking Lot
- December TBD: Christmas Party @ the Schulers'

Interact Leadership Summit an Incredible Experience

By Sonja Lorraine Jones on Friday, October 11, 2024

The Interact Leadership Summit held at St. Joseph's Academy was an incredible experience for all! With our Terry Parker Interact Club, we had 16 different high schools represented! Thank you to the 15 Rotarians and Teachers who shared this amazing day supporting their Interactors in person and to the Rotary clubs who sponsored



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Birthdays

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their registrations. Sonja Jones, Assistant District Governor Membership and a member of our club, attended, as well as District Governor Mickey Ulmer who shared the Magic of Rotary origin story and how Rotary is helping so many around the world. A special thank you to Sandra Shank, CEO Abundant Life Ministries - Hope House Inc., for an astounding and engaging presentation on "Transformational Leadership".

- [Link to Rotary Youth Exchange video for our District](https://www.rye6970.org/videos/)

Words From the President

By James Oliver Smith Jr. on Friday, October 11, 2024
Words from the President


As the first quarter of Rotary Year 2024/25 comes to an end, I want to think all of the members of the club (and outside parties) that are working so hard to make our corner of the world a better place. The Rotary Club of East Arlington has been a dynamic club for the 14 years that I have been fortunate to participate (and long before that).



The primary function of our Rotary club is to improve the lives of youth in the Arlington community. During the first quarter of this Rotary Year, this function has mostly been filled by our support of the first-ever RCEA-sponsored Interact Club at Terry Parker High School. We are fortunate to have a dynamic group of students that are interested in developing their leadership skills to aid fellow students and the community. We have been especially blessed to have a DYNAMIC Interact Advisor (Shane Santora) who has taken the lead in encouraging these students and helping them and our club find ways to foster their growth. Additionally, we have performed several tasks to improve the aesthetics at Arlington Middle School.

In the coming months we will continue to improve the lives of youth in Arlington through the following efforts.

- In November we will package meals for Hunger Fight to feed needy kids in NE Florida
- In December we will show our support again for the Youth Crisis Center
- In January we will continue to support Micah's Backpack
- In March we will "Teach a child to Fish" by supporting the Timucuan Parks Foundation
- In the Spring we will be sending students to RYLA
- In the Spring we will be selecting one or two students from Terry Parker for a scholarship



Again, thank you everyone for being part of the greatest Rotary Club in the world.

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