

## Joan Renner is Featured Foundation Team Member for July

Alexandria club's Immediate Past President is one of District 7610's newest AFAs.

Joan Renner is the new Area Foundation Advisor for District 7610's Area 7, serving the Rotary clubs of Alexandria, Alexandria South, Alexandria West, and Mount Vernon. A Rotarian since 2004, she has just completed her year as President of the Rotary Club of Alexandria. She has also served as club Secretary. Joan and her Rotarian husband, John, were named Rotarians of the Year by their club in 2009. They worked together on the Club's premiere fundraiser, Taste for Giving, which has raised more than \$200,000 over five years.

Joan, and John who has served as a club Director and as club Treasurer, have supported a number of club efforts. They enjoyed helping foreign visitors learn about Alexandria by opening their Seminary Ridge home to guests and hosting receptions for the Group Study Exchange and Open World programs that help participants from all over the world expand their professional skills and learn about the American people and culture.

Joan and her husband are Level 2 Major Donors and members of the Paul Harris Society.



AFA Joan Renner

Outside of Rotary, Joan has taken a leadership role in serving her community. As Chair of the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce in 2004, Joan promoted the benefits of Alexandria business. As Chair of the Scholarship Fund of Alexandria in 2008-2009, she advocated to help qualified, needy T.C. Williams High School seniors have the money for higher education. She now serves as Vice President of the Goodwin House Foundation where her mother lives. She has also promoted the arts through service on the Boards of the Alexandria Symphony, and the Friends of the Torpedo Factory Art Center.

Joan has received numerous professional and community awards including Leadership in Business and Career Development from Alexandria Commission for Women in 2014, the Living Legends of Alexandria award in 2010, Board Member of the Year for the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce in 2001, and then Super CPA award from the VSCPA and Virginia Business Magazine in 2012.

Professionally, she has been providing audit, accounting tax and advisory services to nonprofits for more than thirty years. Her areas of expertise include services to trade associations, scientific organizations, federal award recipients, and other public charities.

Joan and her husband work together at the firm John founded, Renner and Company, CPA, P.C., a 30-person firm in Alexandria. She is a graduate of the McIntire School of Commerce at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, where she earned a Bachelors of Science in Commerce.

Joan has chaired the Virginia Society of CPAs Nonprofit Conference Committee, and has been a popular presenter at professional conferences.

"John and I are a good team", Joan says. "We enjoy working together to use our talents to help make a difference in our community and in the world".



Alexandria President Joan Renner receives a proclamation from Alexandria Mayor William D. Euille declaring October 24, 2014 as Light Up Rotary Day in Alexandria on the occasion of the club's annual fundraiser, Taste for Giving. Past club President Gant Redmon (center) looks on. (Photo by Steve Halperson/Tisara Photo)