



McKinney Sunrise Rotary Club Sunrise Sentinel

March 25, 2015

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Club Meeting Time and Location

07:30 Wednesday Morning
Eldorado Country Club
McKinney, TX

Today's Program

Sponsored by Fred Bahrenburg

Past Presidents

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| 2013-14..... | Bill Smith |
| 2012-13..... | Gary Taylor |
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| 2000-01..... | Jeff Caserotti |
| 1999-00..... | Larry Offerdahl |
| 1998-99..... | Chuck Koehler |



Elizabeth Johnston
Marketing Coordinator – Habitat for
Humanity – North Collin Co.

Rotary District 5810

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| District Governor | Bill Dendy De Soto Rotary |
| District Governor Elect | Larry Webb, Prestonwood Rotary |
| District Governor Nominee..... | Bill Dendy, E-Club |

Rotary International

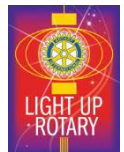
President..... Gary C.K. Huang, Taipei Rotary, Taiwan

The Four Way Test
of the things we think say or do....

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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Elizabeth Johnston – Habitat for Humanity

Elizabeth Johnston is the Marketing Coordinator at Habitat for Humanity in North Collin County. Elizabeth joined Habitat in July of 2014 and has since worked to promote organizational awareness, fundraising needs, ReStore merchandise & impact, and many other facets of the organization. She has been known to wear a hard hat a time or too and LOVES being a part of this great organization. Prior to joining Habitat, Elizabeth spent 10 years gaining corporate marketing experience in technology industries, and then enjoyed 10 years at home raising her family. She and her husband live in Prosper, TX and have two children.

Habitat for Humanity helps low-income families fulfill their dreams of home ownership; however, this is not a giveaway-type program. Families must:

- meet qualifications
- go through a lengthy application process
- make mortgage payments
- invest hundreds of hours in labor

We provide decent, affordable homes to qualified families. These homeowners make a down payment and monthly mortgage payments. In addition, homeowners invest 300-500 hours of their own labor, called "sweat equity." These hours are spent building their new house and other Habitat houses.

Last weeks program

If you missed last weeks program, you missed a great one. Erich Neupert from the Blackland Prairie Raptor Center presented a program about the center and brought some of his friends.



Determined to Deliver Clean Water Amid Bloody Civil War in South Sudan

Despite almost impassable terrain and the outbreak of a violent civil war, Rotary clubs in South Sudan and Wisconsin, USA, are determined to bring clean water to one of the most remote areas of the East African country.

The Rotary Clubs of Wausau, Wisconsin, USA, and Juba, South Sudan, are developing a sustainable source of water for 10 rural mountainous villages in Tendet Boma, Eastern Equatoria. The two clubs secured a \$47,000 Rotary Foundation global grant to drill a deep borehole and install solar-powered water pumps, a 5,000-gallon reservoir, and six to 10 spigots. The water source will benefit almost 14,000 people.



While the violence is concentrated at the border of the country, the comparatively peaceful interior regions still suffer from economic insecurity and a dilapidated infrastructure. With almost no government assistance, these remote areas contend with acute waterborne diseases and famine.

"The civil war has shot the economy," says Wisconsin Rotary member John Kelly, who has traveled to South Sudan for years with Willamette International, an organization that improves health care and education in rural communities. "It's affecting so many people. Even if you're not directly involved in the violence, the war has destabilized almost everyone's lives."

The project is not without its roadblocks, both literally and figuratively. Only one road connects the cluster of villages on the steep northeast side of the Lopit Mountains to the nearest developed community. It's a three-day walk for many villagers. During the country's rainy season, between May and October, it's almost impossible to get construction materials and relief aid up the mountain, which exacerbates the ongoing humanitarian crisis. "You can't move anything in the area. The terrain is too wet and dangerous," says Kelly.

Because the grant was approved during the flood season, Rotary members had to wait to transport equipment until conditions improved.

Also, getting to these vulnerable populations has been a challenge amid the fighting. Many areas are off-limits to aid agencies, says Mathach Deng, a member of the Rotary Club of Juba.

"Rebel forces have blocked off many of the entry points to the project site. It's been a huge challenge to overcome," he says.

Juba club members are working with tribal elders in the area, who carry influence with government and rebel leaders, to gain passage to the area. "The people in these areas want and need this water project to continue. Educating the tribe leaders on the importance of this project is key to getting this project complete," Deng says.

The ongoing threat of violence caused the project's first contractor to back out, further delaying the start of the construction. "The war has decreased the availability of contractors. But we are working with other NGOs and the government to find another one," Deng says. "It's not easy to convince someone to come into this situation, but we're not giving up."

Although there have been setbacks, Kelly says there is no turning back.

"We [Rotary] have our credibility at stake. These communities trust us to come through. It's important to be patient in situations like these," Kelly says. "Build relationships and contacts. Gather intelligence by working with other NGOs and agencies. The more information you have at your fingertips the better you are at navigating difficult situations."

After successfully claiming independence in 2011, South Sudan, the world's newest country, descended into violence in December 2013, dashing hopes that it would soon become a prosperous, self-governing nation. The country's two predominant tribes, the Dinka and Nuer, are fighting over land and resources, a conflict that dates back to the 19th century.

Tens of thousands have already been killed in the gruesome war, which has also displaced almost 1.8 million people. On 2 February the two sides signed a fourth peace deal since the hostilities began. The previous three agreements signed by the government and rebels were broken quickly.

Area Meeting Makeup Locations

| <i>Monday</i> | <i>Tuesday</i> | <i>Wednesday</i> | <i>Thursday</i> | <i>Friday</i> |
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| <p>11:45 Farmers Branch Rotary Club, Holiday Inn Select Galleria Area 2645 LBJ Freeway Dallas, Texas</p> <p>Noon Richardson Rotary Club Canyon Creek Country Club 625 Lookout Drive</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Edited</p> | <p>7:30 AM Frisco Sunrise Rotary Club Randy's Steakhouse, 7026 W. Main St.</p> <p>Noon Farmersville Rotary O.E. Carlisle Civic Center 201 Orange St.</p> <p>Noon Plano West Rotary Greek Isle Rest. @ 3309 N. Central Expressway</p> <p>7:00 PM Dallas Evening Rotary La Calle Dolce 415 W. 12th Dallas, Tx</p> | <p>7:30 AM Prosper Rotary Club Cotton Gin Cafe@ 204 W. Broadway</p> <p>Noon Allen Rotary Club Courtyard by Marriott @ 210 E. Stacy Road</p> <p>Noon Prestonwood Rotary Club Prestonwood CC 15909 Preston Rd., Dallas</p> <p>Noon Richardson East Rotary Club Canyon Creek CC 625 Lookout Drive.</p> | <p>Noon Frisco Rotary Dave & Busters Stonebriar Centre</p> <p>Noon Hurricane Creek Rotary 1800 Fairway Lane Anna</p> <p>Noon Plano Rotary Club Southfork Hotel 1600 N. Central Expressway</p> <p>7:30 AM Melissa Rotary First Baptist Church 2101 E Melissa Rd</p> <p>5:15 PM McKinney Sunset Spoons Garage On the Square Downtown McKinney</p> | <p>7 AM Plano Sunrise Tino's Two Restaurant 2205 Avenue K</p> <p>Noon McKinney Rotary Club Ricks Chop House 107 N Kentucky st.</p> <p>Noon Richardson Central Hyatt Regency-North Dallas Hotel 701 E. Campbell</p> <p>Noon Park Cities Maggiano's Little Italy 205 North Park Center, Dallas</p> <p>Noon Celina Rotary 320 S. Preston Rd TX Star Bank</p> |
| <p>Online Makeup www.rotaryclubone.org</p> | | | | |

Heads Up! Programs and Events

March 25-----Elizabeth Johnston – Habitat for Humanity

March 26-----Christine Hockin-Boyd & Angie Bado – Community Lifeline Services

April 1-----TBD

April 2-----Dark – Easter Holiday

April 8-----TBD

April 9-----Mayor Brian Loughmiller, McKinney, State of the City

April 15-----Ruth Thompson – Founder, President Hugs Café

April 16-----District 5810 Conference – Kerrville, TX

Today's Thoughts in Honor of

Make Up Your Own Holiday Day – Mar 26

I once wanted to become an atheist, but I gave up - they have no holidays.

- Henny Youngman (1906 - 1998)

National Doctors Day – Mar 30

In nothing do men more nearly approach the gods than in giving health to men.

- Cicero (107 BC – 44 BC)

Advice From Will Rogers:

1. Never slap a man who's chewing tobacco.
2. Never kick a cow chip on a hot day.
3. There are two theories to arguing with a woman. Neither works.
4. Never miss a good chance to shut up.
5. Always drink upstream from the herd.
6. If you find yourself in a hole, stop digging.
7. The quickest way to double your money is to fold it and put it back into your pocket.
8. There are three kinds of men: The ones that learn by reading. The few who learn by observation. The rest of them have to pee on the electric fence and find out for themselves.
9. Good judgment comes from experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.
10. If you're riding' ahead of the herd, take a look back every now and then to make sure it's still there.
11. Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier'n puttin' it back.
12. After eating an entire bull, a mountain lion felt so good he started roaring. He kept it up until a hunter came along and shot him. The moral: When you're full of bull, keep your mouth shut.



| Member Name | Work | Home | Cell | Classification |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| Ron Baker | | | 541-420-9396 | Retired |
| Fred Bahrenburg | | 972-540-1311 | 972-523-4827 | TV Cable Installation, ret. |
| Bill Bilyeu | 972-548-4698 | 214-686-1329 | 214-686-1329 | Collin Co. Admin |
| Jeff Caserotti | 972-548-1199 | | 214-850-4841 | Auto Insurance |
| Trevor Castilla | 972-569-9193 | 972-529-6534 | 469-371-5409 | Civil Engineer |
| Weldon Copeland | 972-548-3811 | 972-562-0838 | | Judge – Probate |
| Phyllis Davis | | | 972-658-5800 | Real Estate Broker |
| Ruben Delgado | 972-548-3728 | 972-548-0326 | 214-686-6998 | County Engineer |
| Rebecca Drekmann | 972-548-5539 | | 214-250-6627 | Public Health |
| Lyle Froese | | 972-569-8843 | 972-523-8350 | Ed Admin |
| Sandi Froese | 903-815-4779 | 972-569-8843 | 903-815-4779 | Ed Admin |
| Marc-Andre Gagnon | | 214-227-6744 | 469-247-1894 | Leadership – Bus Consult |
| Stacey Kemp | 972-548-4136 | 972-837-2534 | 214-356-4808 | County Govt. Admin. |
| Tim Kocsis | 972-547-6404 | 972-838-1808 | 972-670-3850 | Comp. Programmer |
| Chuck Koehler | 214-449-6868 | 972-529-1110 | 214-449-6868 | Financial Mgmt |
| Brian Loughmiller | 972-529-5554 | 972-529-9030 | 214-924-6900 | Atty – Family Law |
| Ed Miles | | 972-540-1541 | 214-673-5284 | Psychologist |
| Steve Mitas | 972-547-6404 | 972-837-4474 | 972-670-1197 | Comp. Software |
| Scott Parker | 214-385-4142 | 972-727-9852 | 214-287-0737 | Financial Consultant |
| Tom Parker | 972-540-2180 | 972-540-2180 | 972-832-5590 | Ed. Admin – Pers. |
| Larry Offerdahl | | 972-562-5722 | 806-672-0680 | Retired Parks and Rec |
| Gene Sera | 972-542-0095 | 972-548-7884 | 972-670-7400 | Defense Attorney |
| Bill Smith | 972-731-4014 | 972-569-8811 | 985-774-4048 | Financial |
| Juli Smith | 972-562-6996 | 972-562-1866 | 972-658-9977 | Non-Profit |
| Dennis Snavelly | 972-771-2155 | 972-562-3796 | 972746-6920 | Business Communications |
| Scott Stineman | 972-332-4663 | 214-384-4018 | | Wholesale Insurance |
| Gary Taylor | 972-548-5140 | 972-984-1052 | 972-984-0661 | Groc. Store Mgmt |
| Nathan White | 972-979-9204 | 972-562-6445 | 972-979-9204 | Judiciary |
| Jason Woodward | 972-338-3022 | | 954-444-2709 | eCommerce |
| Pamela Zeigler-Petty | 972-407-3643 | | 214-471-3830 | Bank Mgt – Bus. Banking |

Honorary Members

Donas Cole

Connie Yeager

Linda Terry

*Note: Please notify Dennis Snavelly if there is a change in your phone number or e-mail address. Thank you
Having your number here makes it a public record, please notify Gary if you prefer not to have it listed here.*