



McKinney Sunrise Rotary Club Sunrise Sentinel

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Rotary District 5810

District Governor	Linda Elliott, Grand Prairie
District Governor Elect	Bud McBrayer, Plano Sunrise
District Governor Nominee.....	Sandra Forster, Garland

Rotary International

PresidentRay Klinginsmith, Missouri, USA

Club Meeting Time and Location

07:30 Wednesday Morning
Eldorado Country Club
McKinney, TX

Today's Program

Sponsored by Bryan Northington

Greg Willis



Collin County
Criminal District Attorney

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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Greg Willis – Criminal District Attorney of Collin County

Greg Willis is committed to the safety of Collin County citizens and is honored to serve them as Criminal District Attorney. In fact, Greg resigned his judgeship to do just that. As a Collin County judge hearing primarily criminal cases, Greg presided over hundreds of jury trials and thousands of cases. As a Collin County prosecutor, Greg prosecuted cases ranging from speeding appeals to sexual assault and murder. As a Collin County private practice attorney, Greg represented many civil clients as well as those charged with crimes.

Greg's fellow lawyers recognize his professional achievements – Greg twice has been selected as a Texas SuperLawyer® as listed in Texas Monthly. Greg's peers also recognize Greg's leadership in the legal community – he has served in numerous leadership positions with the Collin County Bar Association, including president, and he currently serves the Texas Bar Foundation as a Life Fellow.

A married father of two and long-time Rotarian, Greg is a fifth-generation Texan and a graduate of both Baylor University (1986, with honors) and the prestigious University of Virginia School of Law (1991).

Greg spent his first four years working in Dallas for the highly respected law firms of Haynes & Boone and Jones Day. Once the student loans were paid off, Mr. Willis followed his heart to serve Collin County as both a misdemeanor and a felony prosecutor (1995-1999).

In late 1999, Greg returned to the private sector and established his own law firm in Plano. His wife would later join him in this endeavor. In late 2005, Collin County commissioners appointed Greg as the first judge of the newly created Collin County Court at Law No. 6. Greg ran unopposed in 2006. In October 2009, he resigned his judgeship to run for Collin County Criminal District Attorney. In 2010, with the help of so many citizens who care deeply about the county, Greg prevailed in both the primary and general elections.

Flag Building Day with SCORE a Big Success

A BIG Thank you goes out to the SCORE program and all the Rotarians that made it out this past Thursday to help out with our annual flag cleanup day. Rotarians who came out to help were Lyle Froese, Bryan Northington, Chuck Koehler, Tim Kocsis, Steve Goodman, Bill Smith, Jeff Caserotti, Tom Parker, and a special thanks to Sandi Froese who brought lunch for everyone. Not only did we complete all the flags the first day, a feat in itself, we built new ones as well. We now have over 1400 flags prepped and ready for delivery. This is by far the most productive flag cleanup day we have ever had. I said it Thursday and I will say it again, I'm so proud of everything that was accomplished. Two days of work finished up in just one day.

Bryan Northington – Vice President of Fundraising

Rotarians respond to Japan earthquake, tsunami

Rotarians have been finding a number of ways to help victims of the devastating earthquake and tsunami in Japan that killed thousands and left hundreds of thousands more homeless.

In response to the disasters, The Rotary Foundation established the Rotary Japan Disaster Recovery Fund, which will support long-term recovery projects in the affected areas. More than US\$500,000 has been donated since the fund opened on 11 March.

"It is encouraging to know that our overseas Rotary friends care about us," says Yuzaburo Mogi, president of the Rotary Club of Tokyo. "I am confident that the people of Japan will overcome this great disaster, and we are hopeful that we can get over the various difficulties soon."

District governors in Japan are running a fundraising campaign to send money to the governors in affected areas. Mogi says that Rotarians who wish to help Japan should contribute to the Foundation's recovery fund. (Rotarians and non-Rotarians can donate online)

The first Matching Grant project to receive support from the fund was approved a week after the disaster. Clubs in districts 3350 (Cambodia and Thailand) and 2820 (Japan) are using a total of \$65,650 to help provide food and drinking water for 15,000 people at an evacuation center in Ibaraki.

Other responses have included:

- The Rotaract Club of Tokyo launched the Cheer Tohoku project to rally the support of Rotaractors around the world, asking them to use Twitter to send messages of support to survivors in northeast Japan. The club is also using Twitter to post photos of Rotaractors holding up short messages they've written. "We thought we could make use of the worldwide Rotaract network to show people in the stricken area that we care," says club president Ai Takahashi.

Rotary Foundation alumni respond

Alumni of Rotary Foundation programs are also supporting Japan's recovery efforts:

- Rotarians and friends of Rotary in District 3330 (Thailand), an area extensively damaged by the 2004 tsunami, are among those who have felt especially moved to respond. The district's Rotary Foundation alumni association worked with local Rotary clubs to raise \$15,000 in contributions.



The Rotaract Club of Tokyo is encouraging Rotaractors around the world to post messages of support on Twitter for survivors of the Japanese earthquake and tsunami. Photo courtesy of Rotaract Club of Tokyo

- Former GSE team members and others in District 5450 (Colorado, USA) are also mobilizing support. “We were involved with the outbound and inbound teams to Japan’s Sendai area last year and have been heartbroken to learn about the tragedies experienced by their friends,” says Past District Governor Mike Oldham.
- Miho Fukuhara, a former Rotary Peace Fellow from Japan, is temporarily leaving her post as a United Nations and intergovernmental affairs officer at UNICEF headquarters in New York City to join the Japan Committee for UNICEF for five weeks. “I never thought of myself being sent to Japan for emergency response work,” says Fukuhara, who managed and coordinated reconstruction programs in Iraq for Peace Winds Japan earlier in her career. “It is really sad to see the situation, but I will do my best.”

Area Meeting Makeup Locations

<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
<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>7:30 AM Frisco Sunrise Rotary Club Embassy Suites, Gaylord & Parkwood</p> <p>Noon Farmersville Rotary Club O.E. Carlisle Civic Center 201 Orange St. @ Hill Street</p> <p>Noon Plano West Rotary Club Greek Isle Rest. @ 3309 N. Central Expressway</p>	<p>7:30 AM Prosper Rotary Club Gentle Creek Golf Club@ 3131 E. Prosper Trail</p> <p>Noon Allen Rotary Club Courtyard by Marriott @ 210 E. Stacy Road</p> <p>Noon Plano Metro Rotary Club Glen Eagles CC 5401 W. Park Blvd.</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 Club Dallas Baptist Univ. at Frisco 3211 Internet Blvd.</p> <p>Noon Hurricane Creek Rotary Club Hurricane Creek Country Club 1800 Fairway Lane, Anna</p> <p>Noon Plano Rotary Club Southfork Hotel 1600 N. Central Expressway</p>	<p>7 AM Plano Sunrise Rotary Club 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 Rotary Club Hyatt Regency-North Dallas Hotel 701 E. Campbell</p> <p>Noon Park Cities Rotary Club Maggiano's Little Italy 205 North Park Center, Dallas</p>
<p>Online Makeup www.rotaryclubone.org</p>				
<p>Edited 12/06/10</p>				

Heads Up! Programs and Events

March 30-----Greg Willis – Collin County DA
Sponsored by Bryan Northington

April 6-----Dark

April 8-----Joint Meeting With Downtown Rotary at Ricks Chophouse
Carolyn Corbin – Author, Speaker, & Socioeconomic Futurist

April 13-----Lyle Froese

April 16-----Scout Flag Sales Day and Towne Lake Picnic

April 20-----Cody Cunningham – MISD Information Officer
Sponsored by Bill Bilyeu

April 25-----Board Meeting – Market Street Culinary School 7:00 AM

April 27-----Robert Rusoff

May 4-----Sam Garrett – The Chain Foundation & Uganda Christian Univ.
Sponsored by Mark Lowe

Today's Thoughts in Honor of

National Doctor's Day – March 30

April 1. This is the day upon which we are reminded of what we are on the other three hundred and sixty-four.

- **Mark Twain (1835 – 1910)**

Plan Your Epitaph Day – April 6

Sir John Strange
Here lies an honest lawyer,
And that is Strange.

- **(1696 – 1754)**

A man goes in to see his rabbi. He says, "I think my wife is trying to poison me."

The rabbi says, "I'll speak with her."

The next day, the rabbi says, "I spent three hours yesterday talking with your wife. Take the poison."



Member Name	Work	Home	Cell	Classification
Scott Becker	972-548-3613	972-984-1817	817-269-0889	District Judge
Bill Bilyeu	972-548-4698	214-686-1329	214-686-1329	Collin Co. Admin
Jeff Caserotti	972-548-1199	972-562-7249	214-850-4841	Auto Insurance
Trevor Castilla	972-569-9193	972-529-6534	469-371-5409	Civil Engineer
Donas Cole	972-548-5482	972-548-6908	214-592-5279	Hospital Admin
Weldon Copeland	972-548-3811	972-562-0838		Judge – Probate
Ronald Danforth	972-562-4112	972-562-9790	469-233-3871	Atty – Crim. Law
Phyllis Davis			972-658-5800	Real Estate Broker
Kris Falvo	972-529-2559	214-548-4928	214733-9558	YMCA Exec Director
Lyle Froese	972-523-8350	972-569-8843	972-523-8350	Ed Admin
Sandi Froese	903-815-4779	972-569-8843	903-815-4779	Ed Admin
Patricia Gaukel	469-952-2044	214-856-5931	214-422-7256	Hotel Management
Gretchen Gayowski		972-562-5306	214-669-5091	Consultant
Steve Goodman	972-548-3616		214-226-2901	Criminal Investigation
Jim Gilmore	972-562-6950	214-544-1361	972-529-8503	Residential Ins
Bob Johnson	214-726-0000		214-789-7155	Financial/Insurance
Larry Jones	972-548-4532		214-733-9211	IT Architect
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		972-529-1110	214-796-0504	Financial Mgmt
Mark Lowe	972-540-2152	972-377-6688	214-870-5959	Trust Officer
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	972-838-1807	972-670-1197	Comp. Software
Bryan Northington	972-569-0170	972-547-4958	469-569-6814	Auto Collision Mgr.
Tom Parker	972-540-2180	972-540-2180	972-832-5590	Ed. Admin – Pers.
Jim Pearson	972-562-9787	214-533-2787	214-533-2787	Real Estate App.
Robert Rusoff	972-547-1672	972-547-1672	214-504-5133	Procurement
Juli Smith	972-562-6996	972-562-1866	972-658-9977	Non-Profit
Bill Smith	972-731-4000	972-569-8811	985-774-4048	Financial
Gary Taylor	972-548-5140	972-984-1052	972-984-0661	Groc. Store Mgmt
Linda Terry	972-542-5561	972-548-0091	469-450-4100	Fire & Casualty Ins
Nathan White	972-979-9204	972-562-6445	972-979-9204	Judiciary
Connie Yeager	972-529-1351	972-529-1351	214-693-2510	Health Ins. – Ret.
Pamela Zeigler-Petty	972-398-4027	972-540-5383		Bank Mgt – Bus. Banking

Honorary Members

Mary Lou Lee Paul Yeager

*Note: Please notify Juli Smith 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.*