



McKinney Sunrise Rotary Club Sunrise Sentinel

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Club Meeting Time and Location

07:30 Wednesday Morning
Eldorado Country Club
McKinney, TX

Today's Program

Ruth Thompson

Past Presidents

2013-14.....	Bill Smith
2012-13.....	Gary Taylor
2011-12.....	Stacey Kemp
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2005-06.....	K. Lyle Froese
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2000-01.....	Jeff Caserotti
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Rotary District 5810

District Governor.....	Bill Dendy De Soto Rotary
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District Governor Nominee.....	Bill Dendy, E-Club

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President.....	Gary C.K. Huang, Taipei Rotary, Taiwan
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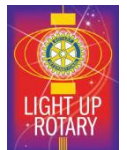
Hugs Café – Founder & President

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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Ruth Thompson – Hugs Cafe

Hugs Cafe has been in the making for more than 15 years and began as a simple passion for people. Our Founder and President, Ruth Thompson, found this passion in the early 2000's while working with Adults with Special needs in Parker, Colorado at New Day In Home and Respite Care. This served as the foundation for Hugs Cafe and would ultimately lead to its formation in 2013. Without her inspiration, her drive and her determination, we would not be here today.

Upon moving to Texas in 2004, Ruth combined her passions for people and food by teaching cooking classes to Special Needs Adults at Market Street in McKinney. For nearly ten years Ruth taught two classes per week, constantly striving to help develop new skills, become more independent and enhance their personal self-worth. After retiring from teaching, Ruth searched for new ways to enhance the lives of Special Needs Adults and has channeled her passion and dedicated every waking moment to making Hugs Cafe a reality.

Our Teammates are the reason why we're here in the first place. They are our inspiration and the very soul of Hugs Cafe. Without them, Hugs Cafe has no purpose, so it would seem cruel not to introduce you to them. Below are a few of the Teammates we'd like you to meet who represent just a handful of the Teammates we intend to hire as we continue to grow Hugs Cafe.

Since forming Hugs Cafe Ruth has surrounded herself with individuals from a variety of backgrounds, all of whom share her passion for people and service. This group comes from all walks of life and has decades of professional experience in nearly every field imaginable. As a team, the Board of Directors has made incredible strides to make Hugs Cafe a reality and will continue to help Hugs Cafe make a positive and lasting impact on all of its employees and the greater DFW community.

District Assembly 2015 - 2016

District Training Assembly for Incoming Officers

- all are encouraged to attend
- to strengthen Rotarian Officers
- to build a more productive Rotary Club 2015-2016 year

Date: Saturday, May 2

Time: 8:00AM-12:00PM

Location: Collin College Higher Education Center

3452 Spur 399, McKinney TX 75069

(Northeast corner of 75 & Sam Rayburn Tollway)

Cost: Free

Purpose: To provide training for incoming Club officers.

Topics: PETS, Club Secretary/Treasurer, District & Global Grant Qualification, Risk Management, Youth Services, Publicity/Public Relations, Membership, RILI/Rotary University/Gateway.

How a Simple School Project in India Became a Global Grant

Two years ago, U.S. Rotary members in Maine set out to improve the education system in Bikaner, Rajasthan, an Indian city near the border of Pakistan.

The Rotary Club of Kennebunk Portside chose Bikaner because club member Rohit Mehta was originally from the area and had connections there. Mehta put the club in contact with Rotarians in India to provide desks for four government-run schools.

But when community leaders returned with a request for more desks, the Maine Rotarians decided they had to think bigger. The Rotary Foundation had rolled out its new grant model, which required that the club do more than just purchase school furniture to qualify for global grant funding. Club leaders put their heads together and turned a simple project to provide school desks into a global grant project by adding a campaign to recruit new students and professional development for teachers.

"Because the new grant standards required further thought, a superior grant emerged," notes Peter Johnson, Rotary Foundation chair for District 7780, which covers Maine. "Additional questions were asked, which boil down to, 'OK, they need benches [desks] and you want to help them get their benches, but what's going to happen with these benches?' The standards dramatically improved the project's scope, tone, and tenor."



The Rotary clubs worked with School Management Committees — teams of school administrators, community leaders, and Bikaner Rotary members — to determine what each school needed most. They discovered that the children were unschooled and had never sat in a classroom before. So the committees decided it would be easier to get the students to commit to a three-day-a-week lesson plan. That left the other two days for the same benches to be used for teacher training.

"The teachers at the government schools are well qualified, but they provide an education within the framework of their stipulated syllabus only," says Man Mohan Kalyani, project leader for the Bikaner club. "This does not include many things that are needed for the overall development of the students. So we set about supporting both teachers and students with these additional skills."

The global grant will provide desks for 1,685 students. The training will target 240 teachers. In addition to instruction in basic subjects, the curriculum aims to improve students' self-confidence, communication skills, leadership skills, and personality development. The clubs expect the program will have even better results than the earlier shipment of desks, which helped improve grades by 23 percent in the four recipient schools. Those results alone led regional authorities to select two of the schools as sites for annual examinations, meaning local students did not have to travel 15 miles to another city to take the exam.

Cornelia Stockman, a member of the Maine club, traveled to Bikaner early in the grant planning process. She said she was impressed by the level of commitment and professionalism displayed by the School Management Committees.

Stockman said local families who can afford it send their children to private schools with classrooms and desks. By contrast, students at the government-owned schools sit on the ground in an open area surrounded by security walls and gates. There is no compulsory attendance beyond sixth grade. The local education experts insist the students are more likely to stay in school if they have a desk to sit at, Stockman says.

Mehta is thankful the grant was able to help his native country.

"I thought it would be great if we could do something with a region that I had ties to," Mehta says. "And good education is fundamental to the quality of life."

Stockman said even though the process of expanding the project's scope was not without bumps, the Bikaner community responded to every need as the grant application evolved.

"We had to go back to them three or four times, but every time we asked them to do something else, they did it," she recalls. "They never gave up, and did everything necessary to meet the requirements of the global grant."

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 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>
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Heads Up! Programs and Events

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

April 16-----Rotary Classification Talks

April 22-----Neil Sperry – Crepe Myrtle Trails Project

April 23-----Club Assembly Planning

April 29-----TBD

April 30-----Judge Weldon Copeland – Probate Judge Collin County

Today's Thoughts in Honor of

Tax Day – April 15

It's income tax time again, Americans: time to gather up those receipts, get out those tax forms, sharpen up that pencil, and stab yourself in the aorta.

- Dave Barry (1947 –)

Volunteer Recognition Day – April 20

You may not have saved a lot of money in your life, but if you have saved a lot of heartaches for other folks, you are a pretty rich man...

- Seth Parker (1902 – 1975)

An infant rabbit was orphaned. Fortunately, though, a family of squirrels took it in and raised it as if it were one of their own. This adoption led to some peculiar behaviors on the part of the rabbit, including a tendency to eschew jumping but rather to embrace running around like its step-siblings.

As the rabbit passed through puberty, however, it soon faced an identity crisis (don't we all!). It went to its stepparents to discuss the problem.

It lamented that it felt different from its step-siblings, was unsure of its place in the family, and was generally forlorn. Their response was ... "Don't scurry, be hoppy."



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.*