



McKinney Sunrise Rotary Club Sunrise Sentinel

April 20, 2016

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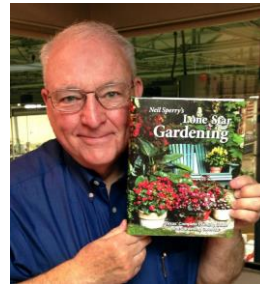
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Club Meeting Time and Location

07:30 Wednesday Morning
Eldorado Country Club
McKinney, TX

Today's Program

Neil & Lynn Sperry



Past Presidents

2014-15.....	Steve Mitas
2013-14.....	Bill Smith
2012-13.....	Gary Taylor
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Rotary District 5810

District Governor.....	Larry Webb, Prestonwood Rotary
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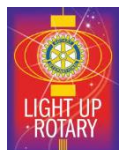
Crepe Myrtle Mother's Day Project

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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Crepe Myrtle Trails



The mission of Crepe Myrtle Trails is to be an integral part of elevating the beauty and appeal of our great city to the highest levels by showcasing the premier flowering plant of the South throughout our community in a thoughtful and meaningful manner and by promoting McKinney Texas as America's crape myrtle city.

In 1991, scores of miles of divided streets and roadways were coming to McKinney. Lake Forest Drive north of Eldorado Parkway was beautiful. Stonebridge had crape myrtles, but they didn't have them cataloged and recorded.

Neil's hope was that our city could feature all of the known varieties, and have them labeled in a way that the public could compare them side-by-side. Nowhere was there a complete collection of all the known varieties anywhere in the world. The medians seemed like the perfect place to showcase crape myrtles.

The basic idea was to plant all the public areas: medians, rights-of-way, parks, school grounds, cemeteries – all the public areas with crape myrtles. All the known varieties of crape myrtles. Historic ones in the older neighborhoods. Newer ones to the west.

Neil knew this could be a travel and tourism project, and it certainly would be a civic beautification project. His main interest was, and still is, the serious botanic nature of it.

The first official plantings were made at McKinney High School in honor of Valedictorian Danny Lowe in September 1998. The first median plantings of the variety Tuscarora were made in September, 1999, on the east side of Eldorado at Hardin.

Subsequent plantings continued west on Eldorado to Orchid and eventually to Ridge. Those were followed in ensuing years by plantings on Ridge, Hardin and McKinney Ranch Road.

To-date, some 15 miles of medians have been planted with more than 4,000 crape myrtles.



Service Opportunities

May 14th - ChallengeAir - 9 am - 4pm Volunteers need to pre-register at www.challengeair.com and children may attend with parents as long as registered.

May 21st - Market Street - 9am - 4pm Volunteers (1 - 2 hour shifts) to pass out information All-Abilities Playground in front of Market Street

Seaside sessions on leadership and peace in Sri Lanka

On the southern coast of Sri Lanka, there is a special place just north of Galle where the waves crash over the rocks after their long journey across the Indian Ocean.

The rains arrive in the early evening to inundate the verdant, tropical lands. This was the setting for the second Rotary Peace Fellow Leadership Retreat from 7-9 March, attended by 10 former Rotary Peace Fellows and one gifted facilitator from Northern Ireland, Susan McEwen. We arrived from all corners of the globe, including Juba, Mindanao, Nicaragua, Somaliland, Kurdistan, London, Ottawa, Nigeria, and Sri Lanka itself.



The team of Leadership Retreat Peace Fellows

McEwen is the Head of Programs at the prestigious Corrymeela Community, Northern Ireland's oldest peace and reconciliation organization. Along with two of the peace fellows, she designed the retreat to highlight the importance of reflective practice, echoing the works and teachings of John Paul Lederach. It also incorporated the unique ethos and experience of Corrymeela and the dedication to service and peace inherent in Rotary's philosophy.

Reflective practice is designed to allow practitioners to dig deeper into their own perspectives, observations, and experiences, while also taking time to listen carefully to fellow participants and enhance listening and communication skills. It proved invaluable for sharing lessons and struggles from the field and discovering how we can unite to form networks of resilience. Susan's mastery of facilitation, dynamic energy, and skill in discussing sensitive areas surrounding peace and conflict resolution helped us grow together tremendously.

There was a special group chemistry from the start and it was clear that these hours together marked critical building blocks for our professional development and personal well-being.

Sri Lanka is a unique and inspiring destination for such a Peace Fellows reflection: On the one hand it possesses all the magic and allure of any top tourist destination in the world, but on the other hand, it is a post-conflict country seeking to turn the page and change the dialogue after years of struggles. On the final day of the retreat, Peace fellows received an overview of the post-conflict realities and challenges facing Sri Lanka via a prominent field worker, Ananda Galappatti. This opened up a wider and deeper discussion on our collective experiences in conflict or field settings. Ananda is the founder of the Good Practices Group and the Mental Health and Psychosocial Support Services Network. We discussed psychosocial approaches to trauma, reconciliation, and recovery at length and emerged with a much greater understanding of the history and scope of the Sri Lankan struggles, and lessons we can use to inform our own work.

Three days is a relatively short time for a retreat, but this session was unique from the beginning. There was a special group chemistry from the start and it was clear that these hours together marked critical building blocks for our professional development and personal well-being.

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>Edited 9/9/15</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 Hampton Inn 2008 N. Central Expressway 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

April 20-----Neil & Lynn Sperry – Crepe Myrtle Mother's Day Project

April 21-----Jeff Caserotti – McKinney Sunrise Flag Prep Training

April 27-----Bob May – African American Baseball

April 28-----Rotary District 5810 Conference

May 4-----Matt Hilton – Hilton Realty Advisors

May 5-----Lynne Sipiora, Executive Director (emeritus), Samaritan Inn

Today's Thoughts in Honor of

Volunteer Recognition Day – April 20th

It's easy to make a buck. It's a lot tougher to make a difference.

- Tom Brokaw (1940 -)

Take a Chance Day – April 23rd

Great deeds are usually wrought at great risks.

- Herodotus (484 BC – 430 BC)

Little Johnny was eating breakfast one morning and got to wondering about things. "Mommy, why has Daddy got so few hairs on his head?" he asked his mother.

"He thinks a lot," replied his mother, pleased with herself for coming up with a good answer to her husband's baldness.

"So why do YOU have so much hair?" Little Johnny asks.

"Go eat your breakfast!" snarled his mother.



Member Name	Work	Home	Cell	Classification
Ron Baker			541-420-9396	Retired
Fred Bahrenburg			469-506-3346	TV Cable Installation, ret.
Bill Bilyeu	972-548-4698	214-686-1329	214-686-1329	Collin Co. Admin
Paul Blacklock			469-503-3241	Financial Advisor
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	214-436-3311		469-268-4178	Publisher
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
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
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
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.*