



McKinney Sunrise Rotary Club Sunrise Sentinel

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Rotary District 5810

District Governor	Ean Sullivan, Plano Rotary
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District Governor Nominee	Larry Webb, Prestonwood

Rotary International

President..... Ron Burton, Norman, OK Rotary, USA

Club Meeting Time and Location

07:30 Wednesday Morning
Eldorado Country Club
McKinney, TX

Today's Program

Sponsored by Bill Smith



Club Assembly

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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District 5810 Member Honored

During National Volunteer Week, April 6-12, Bruce Heller, a member of the Rotary Club of Allen Sunrise of Rotary District 5810, has been recognized by President Obama and humanitarian organization, ShelterBox USA with the President's Volunteer Service Award for his efforts in 2013 to assist disaster survivors.

When disasters like Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines and the Syrian refugee crisis strike, many want to help. Heller took action for ShelterBox, an international disaster relief organization that delivers emergency tented shelter and other lifesaving supplies to survivors of disasters and other humanitarian crises.

Through Heller's efforts of raising awareness and funds for ShelterBox, the organization was able to respond to more than 25 disasters in 19 countries last year, providing families with disaster relief tents, cook stoves, water filters, blankets, mosquito nets, children's packs and other essential equipment. In one of the longest responses in ShelterBox history, ShelterBox has sent aid to support over 5,000 families affected by the Syrian crisis in Syria, Iraqi Kurdistan, Lebanon and Jordan. Already in country, ShelterBox was able to respond immediately when Typhoon Haiyan hit and have distributed shelters and other supplies to help 5,900 families to date.

"I am incredibly honored to work alongside our volunteers, including Bruce," said Emily Sperling, president of ShelterBox USA. "It is through their continuous efforts that we are able to bring shelter, warmth and dignity to so many families displaced by disaster around the globe."

The President's Volunteer Service Award is a special recognition presented on behalf of President Barack Obama. The award is part of a national recognition program created in 2003 through the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation for individuals of all ages who contribute a significant amount of time to volunteer activities.

About ShelterBox USA ShelterBox is an international, nonprofit organization that provides humanitarian relief in the form of equipment and materials that bring shelter, warmth and dignity to people affected by natural disasters and other humanitarian crises. Since 2000, the organization has delivered boxes of aid and supplies such as tents, water filters, stoves, blankets and other tools to help families survive and rebuild their lives in the aftermath of more than 230 disasters in over 90 countries worldwide. Donations to ShelterBox USA can be made at www.shelterboxusa.org, by calling (941) 907-6036 or via text message by sending SHELTER to 20222 for a one-time \$10 donation.

Second Reading for Scott Stineman

Scott Stineman has been proposed for Membership. He is a resident of McKinney and is the Vice President of Associated Underwriters Inc. His classification would be Wholesale Insurance Broker. If you have questions or concerns regarding this proposed member, please see proposer Bill Smith or Membership Chair Steve Mitas.

Writer and War Widow Artis Henderson Finds Peace Through Rotary

In the first month of my stay in Dakar, Senegal, as a Rotary Scholar, a friend gave me a piece of helpful advice. “Buy a wedding ring,” she said. I had already learned that as a young American woman in a Muslim country, I attracted a certain kind of attention. But a ring? My friend nodded. “That way everyone will leave you alone.”



With my thumb I felt for the empty space on my left ring finger -- a place that, even now, I sometimes touch and worry where my ring has gone. I removed my wedding band on the one-year anniversary of my marriage, eight months after my husband, Miles, was killed in Iraq on 6 November 2006. I was 26 years old.

I spent the first year after Miles' death just trying to breathe. Making it through the day felt like a challenge enough. But by the second year, I'd begun to realize that my life was continuing. For the first time since Miles died, I asked myself what I should do with this new life. The answer? Become a writer. I never imagined that Rotary would provide the key to achieving that dream.

Rotary first took me from my home in southern Florida to Brittany, France, on a month-long exchange with a team of young professionals. That experience gave me the courage to make my next move -- to New York, where I earned a master's in journalism at Columbia University.

Next, the Rotarians I had met urged me to apply for a Rotary Scholarship. I wanted to travel somewhere challenging, as far away from home as possible -- away from the constant reminders of how my life had changed. In 2010, I flew to Senegal to study West African literature at the Université Cheikh Anta Diop.

On a sweltering afternoon in Dakar, I headed downtown in search of a wedding band. Down a narrow side street, I found a jewelry shop with its doors open. An elderly man sat behind the counter, his eyes closed. He leaned forward when I walked in. I told him what I was looking for -- a thin, silver band -- and he reached for a canvas sack and spilled its contents across the glass.

“Where are you from?” he asked as I started to pick through the rings.

I looked up. “The United States.”

The man sucked his teeth and put his rough hands on the counter.

“Then maybe you can explain your war against Islam.”

I opened my mouth to speak, to try to explain a conflict I did not understand. I wanted him to know that my husband had died fighting in the war, and that for Miles, this was never a fight against the Muslim faith. But the shopkeeper looked at me with such radioactive anger that I couldn't speak. I bowed my head and left the store.

I arrived during a violent, restless time in the region. The Arab Spring spread across North Africa, and in Dakar men set themselves on fire to protest the regime. Angry students burned tires and blockaded highways as outrage seethed through the city.

During my scholarship year, I received unexpected news: Simon & Schuster was offering me a contract for a memoir I had proposed about the loss of my husband. I wrote it in Senegal, and in that way, the scholarship gave me something I never anticipated: a place to write unencumbered by the reminders of my loss.

My time in Dakar was a gift. For the first month of my stay, I lived with a host family whose warmth helped with my transition to life in Africa. Moussa, the oldest son of the house, was my age, also a journalist. I counted him as my first real friend in Dakar. But in the second month of my stay, Moussa fell ill and died the following week. The family held a funeral, and I wept with the women of the house while the imam gave the eulogy.

A month after the funeral, the family invited me to dinner. After we ate, I sat outside with Moussa's mother, in silence, through the long, hot hours of the afternoon. At one point she reached over and held my hand. I do not know what it is like to lose a child, but I understand the depths of great loss. In that moment, I realized that this is how goodwill is built: simply and gently, a shared touch between two people.

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 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 Cotton Gin Cafe@ 204 W. Broadway</p> <p>Noon Allen Rotary Club Courtyard by Marriott @ 210 E. Stacy Road</p> <p>Noon Hurricane Creek Rotary 1800 Fairway Lane Anna</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 Dave & Busters Stonebriar Centre</p> <p>7:00 PM Dallas Evening 415 W. 12th St. La Calle Dolce</p> <p>Noon Plano Rotary Club Southfork Hotel 1600 N. Central Expressway</p> <p>7:30 AM Melissa Rotary Hale Hall 1708 Harrison St.</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>				
<p>Edited 12/06/12</p>				

Heads Up! Programs and Events

June 11-----Club Assembly

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June 12-----Flag Delivery at the Shed 4:30 to 6:30

June 17-----Flag Retrieval at the Shed 5:30 to 7:30

June 18-----TBD

June 25-----Dark due to upcoming Installation Banquet

June 29-----Installation Banquet – Mitas Hill Pool House
6pm reception – 7pm Dinner

Today's Thoughts in Honor of

Blame Someone Else Day – June 13

"The search for a scapegoat is the easiest of all hunting expeditions."

- Dwight D. Eisenhower (1890 – 1969)

Flag Day – June 14

We take the stars from heaven, the red from our mother country, separating it by white stripes, thus showing that we have separated from her, and the white stripes shall go down to posterity, representing our liberty.

- George Washington (1732 – 1799)

A customer at Green's Gourmet Grocery marvels at the proprietor's quick wit and intelligence.

"Tell me, Green, what makes you so smart?"

"I wouldn't share my secret with just anyone," Green replies, lowering his voice so the other shoppers won't hear. "But since you're a good and faithful customer, I'll let you in on it. Fish heads. You eat enough of them, you'll be positively brilliant."

"You sell them here?" the customer asks.

"Only \$4 apiece," says Green.

The customer buys three. A week later, he's back in the store complaining that the fish heads were disgusting and he isn't any smarter.

"You didn't eat enough, " says Green. The customer goes home with 20 more fish heads. Two weeks later, he's back and this time he's really angry.

"Hey, Green," he says, "you're selling me fish heads for \$4 a piece when I can buy the whole fish for \$2. You're ripping me off!"

"You see?" says Green. "You're smarter already"



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
Donas Cole	972-548-5482	972-548-6908	214-592-5279	Hospital Admin
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
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	972-540-5383	214-471-3830	Bank Mgt – Bus. Banking

Honorary Members

Connie Yeager

*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.*