



# McKinney Sunrise Rotary Club Sunrise Sentinel

July 23, 2014

## Officers and Directors 2014 – 2015

President	Steve Mitas
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## Club Meeting Time and Location

07:30 Wednesday Morning  
Eldorado Country Club  
McKinney, TX

## Today's Program

Sponsored by Sandi Froese



The Reverend David Lessner  
Associate Pastor Stonebridge United  
Methodist Church

## Past Presidents

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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

## Rotary International

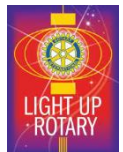
President..... Gary C.K. Huang, Taipei Rotary, Taiwan

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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## David Lessner – Stonebridge United Methodist Church



Our speaker is The Reverend David Lessner, Associate Pastor at Stonebridge United Methodist Church, 1800 S. Stonebridge Drive in McKinney. Pastor David is the spiritual leader and preacher for “The Bridge” church services and is in charge of the Sports Ministries. He recently returned from a mission trip to Rwanda that was life changing in so many ways. Rwanda was a war-torn country as a result of genocide that began over 20 years ago in a brutal civil war between the Hutus and the Tutsi tribes. Up to a million

people were killed within 100 days; however, the people are resilient as evidenced by new construction in their cities and restoration of the countryside. Pastor David will share his impressions of this remarkable country and the people.

Pastor David is a graduate of Texas Christian University, Ft. Worth, and the Candler School of Theology at Emory University in Atlanta, GA. He is married to Lyndsey Thompson-Lessner, and the couple has two daughters. David is no stranger to Rotary as his father, Henry Lessner, is a Rotarian.

As an aside, Pastor David and his team are sponsoring a “Christmas in July” Fun Run at Stonebridge UMC on Saturday, July 26, 2014. The beneficiaries of the Fun Run will be the McKinney Community Food Bank and Meals on Wheels. Both non-profits are charities that McKinney Sunrise Rotary support, so if you would like to be a sponsor or make a donation, e-mail David at ([david@mysumc.org](mailto:david@mysumc.org)).

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## Light Up Rotary

As you know, this year’s Rotary International theme is Light Up Rotary. RI President-elect Gary C.K. Huang chose Light Up Rotary as his theme because he was inspired by the teachings of Chinese philosopher Confucius who said: “It is better to light a single candle, than to sit and curse the darkness.”

“There are so many problems in the world, so many people who need help. Many people say, ‘There’s nothing I can do.’ So they sit there doing nothing. Meanwhile everything stays dark.” He went on to say, “The Rotary way is the Confucius way. The Rotary way is to light a candle. I light one, you light one, 1.2 million Rotarians light one. Together, we light up the world.”

We believe that Rotary 5810 Rotarians are doing their part to Light Up Rotary in their communities and want to spotlight your projects weekly throughout out 2014-2015 Rotary Year. We will also feature your project in a cumulative review at our end of the year events.

We would like to start spotlighting your projects beginning August 1, 2014. Please complete your form no later than July 25th, 2014.

## BLOWN AWAY BY THE REALITIES OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

At the age of 17, Jennifer was sleeping on the streets of Atlanta.

She'd felt abandoned most of her life, unprotected from her brothers and her mother's boyfriends, who physically and sexually abused her since she was five. And now, kicked out of her house, Jennifer - whose last name is withheld for privacy - was alone and vulnerable. She was soon lured into sex trafficking and was unable to escape for two years. Then she found Covenant House.

"Studies have shown that if a young person ends up on the street, within 48 hours someone is going to approach them with the intention of exploiting them, typically for sexual exploitation," says Allison Ashe, executive director of Covenant House Georgia, one of 22 facilities in the U.S., Canada, Mexico, and Latin America. "But a lot of the time it happens so quickly that they come to us already exploited. Our work is then to help them heal and build a future for themselves."

The Rotary Club of Atlanta is helping young people like Jennifer through a \$4.1 million campaign to expand the Covenant House, the city's only crisis center for homeless youth. At the start of the campaign two years ago, the house had just 15 beds and two bathrooms. Another 10 youths slept on floor mats, while others were on a long waiting list.

In June, the shelter moved into its new campus, which includes a 45-bed crisis facility and several outbuildings that make up an independent-living unit. A school building on the property provides space for an art therapy program, a library, a health care clinic, and recreational activities.

"When you walk onto the campus, it doesn't feel like a crisis shelter," says Ashe. "It feels like a college campus where kids can come and heal, learn, grow, and move toward their future."

Clark Dean says his club became interested in the issue after inviting U.S. Attorney Sally Yates as their speaker, who explained that Atlanta is a major hub of child sex trafficking.

"It took the oxygen out of the room," Dean says of Yates' presentation. "When our club hears something like that, we want to act. Fortunately, we are blessed to have members who are in a position to make things happen."

The Atlanta Rotary Club is well connected in the community. Dean, a real estate executive, found and brokered a deal on a property in foreclosure for the new facility. The Atlanta Hawks basketball franchise, whose president is a club member, has contributed tickets and items for the club's silent auction. And Tad Hutcheson, an executive at Delta Airlines, organized more than a hundred volunteers to assist in cleaning up and renovating the new campus during a



citywide volunteer service day. Delta also contributed \$100,000 to the campaign. Atlanta Rotarians have reached \$3.6 million of their fundraising goal.

The campaign will also fund an expansion in counseling services. The center has a general mental health program and employs specialists in sexual abuse, substance abuse, and addictions. An education program aims at putting kids back in high school, if they are still at an appropriate age, or helping older kids earn a GED, as Jennifer is doing. Kids can also learn vocational skills, résumé writing, and interview skills, and are placed in jobs when they are ready through a partnership with certain employers in the city.

In November, Atlanta Rotarians took part in an Executive Sleep Out, an event where business leaders toured the facility, met with kids, and spent the night outside in solidarity with them.

Ashe is overwhelmed by the support Rotary has provided.

"We were able to get the facility up and running for very minor costs because so much was done by volunteers," she says. "Rotary is an incredible example of what happens when a community of leaders comes together around an issue."

## Area Meeting Makeup Locations

<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>11:45</b></p> <p>Farmers Branch Rotary Club, Holiday Inn Select Galleria Area 2645 LBJ Freeway Dallas, Texas</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Noon</b></p> <p>Richardson Rotary Club Canyon Creek Country Club 625 Lookout Drive</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>7:30 AM</b></p> <p>Frisco Sunrise Rotary Club Randy's Steakhouse, 7026 W. Main St.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Noon</b></p> <p>Farmersville Rotary Club O.E. Carlisle Civic Center 201 Orange St. @ Hill Street</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Noon</b></p> <p>Plano West Rotary Club Greek Isle Rest. @ 3309 N. Central Expressway</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>7:30 AM</b></p> <p>Prosper Rotary Club Cotton Gin Cafe@ 204 W. Broadway</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Noon</b></p> <p>Allen Rotary Club Courtyard by Marriott @ 210 E. Stacy Road</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Noon</b></p> <p>Hurricane Creek Rotary 1800 Fairway Lane Anna</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Noon</b></p> <p>Prestonwood Rotary Club Prestonwood CC 15909 Preston Rd., Dallas</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Noon</b></p> <p>Richardson East Rotary Club Canyon Creek CC 625 Lookout Drive.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Noon</b></p> <p>Frisco Rotary Club Dave &amp; Busters Stonebriar Centre</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>7:00 PM</b></p> <p>Dallas Evening 415 W. 12<sup>th</sup> St. La Calle Dolce</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Noon</b></p> <p>Plano Rotary Club Southfork Hotel 1600 N. Central Expressway</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>7:30 AM</b></p> <p>Melissa Rotary Hale Hall 1708 Harrison St.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>7 AM</b></p> <p>Plano Sunrise Tino's Two Restaurant 2205 Avenue K</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Noon</b></p> <p>McKinney Rotary Club Ricks Chop House 107 N Kentucky st.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Noon</b></p> <p>Richardson Central Hyatt Regency- North Dallas Hotel 701 E. Campbell</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Noon</b></p> <p>Park Cities Maggiano's Little Italy 205 North Park Center, Dallas</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Noon</b></p> <p>Celina Rotary 320 S. Preston Rd TX Star Bank</p>
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## **Heads Up! Programs and Events**

July 23-----Reverend David Lessner – Stonebridge United Methodist Church  
Sponsored by Sandi Froese  
July 30-----District Governor Bill Dendy  
Sponsored by Steve Mitas  
July 30-----Board Meeting – Immediately following regular meeting  
August 6-----TBD  
August 13-----TBD

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## **Today's Thoughts in Honor of ....**

### **National Hot Dog Day – July 23**

“A hot dog at the ball park is better than steak at the Ritz.”

- Humphrey Bogart (1899 – 1957)

### **Take Your Pants for a Walk Day – July 27**

Nature says thou shalt keep the air, skate, swim, walk, ride, run. When you have worn out your shoes, the strength of the sole leather has passed into the fibre of your body. I measure your health by the number of shoes and hats and clothes you have worn out. He is the richest man who pays the largest debt to his shoemaker.

- Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803 – 1882)

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Then there's the one about the Buddhist monk who went up to a hot dog vendor and ordered a hot dog.

The vendor asked him, "How do you want it?"

And the monk said, "I want it to be 'one with everything'," and hands him a \$20 bill.

The vendor then gives him his hot dog and continues on with his business.

The monk asks, "Where is my change?"

And the vendor replies, "Change must come from within."



<b>Member Name</b>	<b>Work</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>Cell</b>	<b>Classification</b>
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
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
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.*