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Rotary District 5810

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Rotary International

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Club Meeting Time and Location

07:30 Wednesday Morning
Eldorado Country Club
McKinney, TX

Today's Program

Sponsored by Ruben Delgado

Denise Hickey



North Texas Municipal Water District

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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Denise Hickey - NTMWD

Denise Hickey is the Public Relations Coordinator of the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD). In this capacity, Ms. Hickey is responsible for the accurate development and communication of NTMWD services and related issues to the general public, the NTMWD's Member Cities and Customers, news media, city and civic organizations, school districts, as well as state and legislative bodies and councils.

Ms. Hickey currently serves as an alternate on the Water Conservation Advisory Council. She is a member of the American Water Works Association, the Water Environment Federation, and an active volunteer for the North Texas Chapter of Water for People.

Ms. Hickey graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in biology, with an education certification in biology and chemistry from Sam Houston State University.

North Texas Municipal Water District



In the early 1940's, community leaders in a 1,600 square mile area, generally east and north of the City of Dallas, grew concerned about the dwindling ground water supplies. These community leaders petitioned the federal government to authorize the construction of Lavon Lake, and in 1945 when that authorization passed the U.S. Congress, these same leaders persuaded the Texas Legislature to include water conservation as an additional purpose to this flood control reservoir, Lavon Lake. Construction of Lavon Lake began in 1948.

In 1951, the local leaders from ten communities formed the Tri-County Reservoir Association. The Tri-County Reservoir Association requested that the Legislature authorize the formation of the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) and to provide this organization with the authority to develop, finance, construct, and operate facilities to meet their future water needs. The 52nd Texas legislature responded by creating North Texas Municipal Water District through Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution. These ten communities, which became the NTMWD's Member Cities, are the Cities of Farmersville, Forney, Garland, McKinney, Mesquite, Plano, Princeton, Rockwall, Royse City, and Wylie. The City of Richardson joined as a Member City in 1973, the City of Allen in 1998, and the City of Frisco in 2001. Each of these communities has representation on the NTMWD Board of Directors.

The dedication of these communities in establishing the NTMWD and in obtaining approval for Lavon Lake set the cooperative tone, which has guided the relationship between the NTMWD, the individual members of its Board of Directors, and the communities it was established to serve.

The NTMWD is authorized to acquire, treat, and distribute potable water, and to collect, treat and dispose of wastes, both liquid and solid, in order to reduce pollution, conserve and develop the natural resources of Texas.

Responding to disaster comes naturally for New York Rotarian

As Jim Kushner sees it, there's no choice, not for him. Others may dither when a tsunami hits Japan, an earthquake levels parts of Haiti, or a hurricane like Irene or Sandy demolishes a vast swath of homes and businesses along the U.S. northeast coast. For Kushner, past president of the Rotary Club of Inwood, Manhattan, in the borough's northernmost neighborhood, natural disasters present no options: They demand and deserve immediate and effective action. How could anyone not drop everything and respond? he wonders.

Trained in emergency relief, and resourceful and unimpeded by the ties that bind, Kushner is typically out the door, equipped with supplies, and on his way to a disaster area before you and I have even begun to fathom the extent of the devastation.

Within a couple of days after Hurricane Sandy tore through the Rockaway Peninsula last October, he'd rented a truck and loaded it up with 55-gallon plastic drums. He'd planned to fill them with gas but there was none to be had in the city, where power outages had rendered the pumps inoperable. No problem. Driving up to Mamaroneck in Westchester County, he called in a favor from a former state assemblyman, who got him right to the front of a long line at an open station. Kushner knew from experience that with no electricity available in the stricken areas, generators were the only way to keep hospitals and relief centers functioning. He also knew that generators need to be continually refueled, and that gas would not be easy to find.

In times of need

Making his way down flooded streets and around trees uprooted by furious wind gusts, he arrived two hours later at St. Francis de Sales Church in Belle Harbor, New York. FEMA and Red Cross workers had set up an emergency center in the area. Kushner recognized two volunteers who had also arrived to help, both of whom he'd worked with in Haiti after the 2010 earthquake. Like Kushner, they seemed to materialize on the spot in times of dire need, no explanations required. All three immediately began to address critical tasks, such as transferring the gas to jerrycans.

Kushner also worked with teams of local volunteers. "You learn to trust the locals. They're the ones who own the shovels," he says. They'd have a quick meeting each morning, then be off. Kushner also got in touch with past and present Rotary district governors and filled them in on the needs of the day. "The people from the afflicted neighborhoods were the ones who were sustaining this relief effort," he says. "Meanwhile Rotary clubs and other groups from all over were arriving every hour, it seemed, with clothes, food, blankets, the works. All good, but the size of the operation alone could've overwhelmed anyone. We were lucky, though; we'd seen it before. I was on the ground after Katrina for six weeks. I think this was worse, the sheer destruction."

Kushner's Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training kicked in. So, too, did something less tangible: his instinct to stay focused and calm, no matter what. "I block out my feelings, I turn them off to do the work that needs to be done," he says. "Otherwise it's too much." And afterward? "I try to keep it out of my conscious mind, but I have nightmares, every night."

Now 64 and a Rotarian for more than 30 years, Kushner has made a practice of showing up in disaster areas and trouble zones around the world for over a decade – skirting danger, bucking bureaucracies, and shrewdly assessing priorities in his quest to provide meaningful aid. A Rotarian version of Zelig, Woody Allen’s famous “human chameleon,” Kushner has somehow gotten himself to Pakistan just after a massive earthquake, to Haiti, Japan, and Tanzania to lend a practiced hand after natural calamities, terrorist attacks, and kidnappings by pirates. When tectonic plates suddenly shift, where tsunamis gather lethal force or tropical storms morph into devastating hurricanes that target urban centers, Kushner will likely be on the scene, ready to spring into action. It helps that he is a member of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, an ex-Marine who works closely with the 82nd Airborne, and a translator fluent in French who has worked with U.S. embassy staff members in former French African colonies. He knows who to call if he needs to jump on a C-130 military cargo plane or Coast Guard cutter, but even if he didn’t, you get the feeling he’d strap himself to the wing of an osprey or grab hold of a bottleneck dolphin’s dorsal fin to hitch a ride to quake-ravaged Port-au-Prince or tsunami-flattened Ishinomaki.

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 Gentle Creek Golf Club@ 3131 E. Prosper Trail</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>				
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Heads Up! Programs and Events

July 24-----Denise Hickey – North Texas Municipal Water District – PR Coordinator
Sponsored by Ruben Delgado
July 31-----Larry Offerdahl
August 7-----Bill Bilyeu
August 14-----Phyllis Davis
August 21-----Trevor Castilla
August 28-----Sandi Froese

Today's Thoughts in Honor of

Culinarians Day – July 25

My Doctor told me to stop having intimate dinners for four. Unless there are three other people.

- Orson Welles (1915 – 1985)

Parents Day– July 28

The central struggle of parenthood is to let our hopes for our children outweigh our fears.

- Ellen Goodman (1941 –)

George Phillips, an elderly man, from Meridian, Mississippi, was going up to bed, when his wife told him that he'd left the light on in the garden shed, which she could see from the bedroom window. George opened the back door to go turn off the light, but saw that there were people in the shed stealing things.

He phoned the police, who asked "Is someone in your house?"

He said "No," but some people are breaking into my garden shed and stealing from me.

Then the police dispatcher said "All patrols are busy. You should lock your doors and an officer will be along when one is available"

George said, "Okay."

He hung up the phone and counted to 30. Then he phoned the police again.

"Hello, I just called you a few seconds ago because there were people stealing things from my shed. Well, you don't have to worry about them now because I just shot and killed them both, the dogs are eating them right now." and he hung up.

Within five minutes, six Police Cars, a SWAT Team, a Helicopter, two Fire Trucks, a Paramedic, and an Ambulance showed up at the Phillips' residence, and caught the burglars red-handed.

One of the Policemen said to George, "I thought you said that you'd shot them!"

George said, "I thought you said there was nobody available!"



Member Name	Work	Home	Cell	Classification
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	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
Phyllis Davis			972-658-5800	Real Estate Broker
Ruben Delgado	972-548-3728	972-548-0326	214-686-6998	County Engineer
Lyle Froese		972-569-8843	972-523-8350	Ed Admin
Sandi Froese	903-815-4779	972-569-8843	903-815-4779	Ed Admin
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	972-398-4027	972-540-5383		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.*