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TODAY'S PROGRAM

Program Chair of the Day: Mark Neace



Glenna Hecht

How Old Are You Today?

Glenna Hecht is an author, speaker, consultant, and daughter who refused to let dementia be the end of a relationship. When her mother began slipping into the disease, Glenna went looking for a way to stay connected. What started as a personal experience became a game, then a daily ritual — and eventually a book.

That story became the heart of her memoir, *How Old Are You Today? Dementia, A Mother, A Daughter, and The Game That Transformed Their Lives*, which explores what it means to stay present, connected, and human when memory and logic no longer cooperate.

Before this work, Glenna spent more than three decades leading people, building cultures, and developing leaders inside well-known organizations including Starbucks, Marshall Field's, and The Levy Restaurants at Walt Disney World. She later founded Humanistic Consulting, where she has worked with more than 70,000 employees across industries on leadership, culture, and the human side of work.

Today, Glenna speaks to audiences about caregiving, connection, leadership, and the realities that show up when real life intersects with work. Her work is direct, practical, and deeply human —

shaped not just by professional experience, but by lived experience.

She is also the voice behind the What the Hecht? blog, where she writes candidly about leadership, caregiving, and navigating change without losing yourself. Glenna lives in Dallas, TX, with her old dog, Louie, and continues to write, speak, and build conversations that help people stay connected when things get hard.

What if dementia didn't mean the end of connection... but the beginning of something deeper?

from howoldareyoutoday.com

Caregiving for a loved one with dementia can feel like wandering through fog: uncertain, exhausting, and emotionally overwhelming.

This can be a lonely path when you're trying to figure it out on your own. Each step felt like a lesson I didn't ask for, but had to learn. I know that ache. And I also know—there is a way through.

But in the middle of confusion, there is still room for laughter, light, and love—if you know how to look.

Coming Attractions

Volunteers needed for **Meals on Wheels**. Ask **Jim Weichel** about details and available times.

Think about what you can do to help with the Parade! Not in town for the Fourth? Volunteer for prior to or after the Parade.

The vote for the 2026-27 RCPC Officers will be at the Annual Meeting on **March 6**.

The Farmers Branch RC has disbanded. Invite former RCFB members to visit.

March 4, 2026, 7:30 to 9:00 am Breakfast Social at Flying Fish in Preston Center, 6126 Luther Ln

Sat, March 7, 10am to 1:00pm **Crossroads Community Pantry**, 4500 Cockrell Hill Rd. Different jobs available. Sign up on RCPC website

District 5810

Sat, March 21, Fly Day Service Project hosted by Commemorative Air Force at Dallas Executive Airport, 5651 Mariner Dr, Dallas 75231.

2026 RCPC Fourth of July Parade Theme

America 250!

Strategic Planning Meeting on January 31



Be a Vibrant and Visionary Model of Service Above and Beyond Self

LAST WEEK

Presiding: President **Sarah Oliai**
 Invocation and Pledge: **Daphne Stidham**
 Advertiser of the Week: **Jim Weichel** and
 WaFD Bank
 Photographer: **Susan Glen**
 Speaker: **Dave Tanner**
 Program: **"Where Were You in '62?"**



President **Sarah Oliai** called the meeting to order. **Daphne Stidham** gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance and the National Anthem. President **Sarah** called for Happy Bucks. She then introduced our visitors and guests.

PP **Greg Pape** explained that Paul Harris founded Rotary in 1905. Becoming a Paul Harris Fellow recognizes and acknowledge those who have donated \$1,000 or more to the Rotary International Foundation. This form of recognition was established in 1969. It shows appreciation for and encourages donations to the RI Foundation. It has become a tradition and certainly in our club. Being designated a Paul Harris Fellow is a tribute to a person whose life demonstrates a shared purpose with the projects of Rotary. We are going to do that today. Leading the way is President **Sarah** with her wonderful, generous basket of Paul Harris designations to recognize fellow Rotarians with Paul Harris points. She said she gave PP **Greg** a list of names of people who had run some of the club's major service projects and a couple of them that she really wanted to say thank you to this year. There will be more coming, First and foremost, she said she wanted to thank PE **Mark Kashar**, that she appreciated everything he has done. Then PP **Paul Pirok**. He actually stepped into the Treasurer role. The initial treasurer could not fulfill his obligation, and Paul stepped up. She thanked him for his great job. She then asked two other members of the team to come forward, **Susan Glen** and **Jill Jordan**.



February						
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22	M	M	M	M	Mtg	

Please remember and keep them in your prayers.

Rod Pirtle is in Rehab.

Please let us know your concerns.

Kathy Wall introduced our Marketplace Advertiser of the Week, **Jim Weichel**, the Texas Retail Division Manager of WaFD Bank.

PE **Mark Kashar** introduced member **Stephanie Bohan** who is the CEO of Hope Cottage, to receive a grant from our RCPC Foundation to help fund their parenting supportive services program. She said they were giving out on average 40,000 diapers per month to members of their community who come to their classes and get support in their parenting journey.



There is currently \$432 in the raffle. The person holding the winning card did not win the raffle.

PP **Paul Pirok** gave the second reading of the slate of officers and directors for 2026-27.

Bryan Dunklin introduced our speaker today, world class musician, **Dave Tanner**. He began by quoting a Bobby Darin song from 1962, looking back to "the good old days." He said in 1962, he was looking forward to getting his driver's license, going to college and getting married. He said he started looking back in 1973, when a movie was playing with an unknown cast, "American Graffiti." A lot of stars came out of that movie. It took us back to 1962. It is the year Tom Cruise was born, Marilyn Monroe died, and there was the first Walmart. You could buy a nice house for \$15,000 and a new car for \$2,300. Ladies were wearing skirts below the knee and had big hair. In Dallas civilization stopped at Ebby Halliday; There was no DFW Tollway or LBJ. Where Northpark is now was a cut field and across the highway was a horse ranch. The tallest building west of the Mississippi was the Southland Life Building in downtown. Downtown was the center of everything in Dallas. The population of Dallas County was 1.3 million. We needed newspapers back then; there was no internet or instant news communication of any kind.



- A=Agape Health Serv Day
- BD= Bld of Dirs Mtg, 8am
- BF=Bonton Farm
- Cn=PCR Connect Event.
- CP=ChildsPlay Work Mtg-Jill Jordan.
- D=District 5810 Event
- DH=Dentistry with a Heart- Michael Rainwater
- F=Fellowship Event
- FF=RCPC Foundation Fund Mtg- Ed Fjordbak
- FC= Foot Care Clinic
- FB=NTFB Event-Susan Glen I
- CM+Cafe Momentum
- LL=Legacy of Leadership
- M= Meals On Wheels- Jim Weichel various days and times
- Mn= Mentoring at Hillcrest HS various days and times
- Mc=RonaldMcDonaldHouse 1 x/mo-Kathleen Klaviter
- NM=New Member Event
- Pr= Program CommitteeMtg
- RL=Readers2Leaders-various days, times- Rob Levy
- Rct=Rotaract- Ruth Alhilali.
- SP=Strategic Planning Mtg
- SpE=Special Service Event
- VA=Veterans Support-

Our Mission

Building a legacy of good works and fellowship, we strive to:
 REACH those in need in partnership with others
 INSPIRE tomorrow's leaders with high ethical standards
 FOSTER lives of service above self

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS



Feb 27 Beverly Hill
Gendercide Awareness Project



Mar 6 Glynis Worthington, EdD
Pickleball



Mar 13 Holly Shipley
AI: What to Know



Mar 20 D'Juan Wilcher
George W. Bush Presidential Center

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Make a post about or while at Rotary and use these hashtags



#PeopleOfAction



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FAMILY OF ROTARY

Wine and Chocolate Tasting Social on February 12 at Total Wine

Just two days before Valentines Day. it was a sold out - and happy - crowd!



CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please note that RCPC meetings and other events are public events where photos and video are customarily taken. By attending you are consenting to free use of your likeness on RCPC and related websites, social media, streaming video, emails, newsletters and similar methods.

Have a Great Idea for a Speaker? Your ideas are needed! Send your ideas with the details to Richard Stanford.

Help Wanted! At ANY RCPC Event or Project. Take a few pictures, include a few sentences (who, what, when, where and WHY) and send to Betty for The Hub

RI Foundation: \$100 (or more) Every Rotarian Every Year! See Greg Pape.

RCPC Foundation: \$100 (or more). See Birthdays below, then Jack Carpenter.

Attendance Rule Change. For those wanting to maintain Perfect Attendance, make-ups may now be completed within a year. RI is no longer tracking attendance.

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THOUGHTS ON ...

Age

I detest life-insurance agents; they always argue that I shall some day die, which is not so. ~ **Stephen Leacock**

Boys will be boys, and so will a lot of middle-aged men. ~ **Kin Hubbard**

Common sense is the collection of prejudices acquired by age eighteen. ~ **Albert Einstein**

The secret of staying young is to live honestly, eat slowly, and lie about your age. ~ **Lucille Ball**

Old age is not so bad when you consider the alternatives ~ **Maurice Chevalier**

The older I grow the more I distrust the familiar doctrine that age brings wisdom. ~ **H. L. Mencken**

Nobody knows the age of the human race, but everybody agrees that it is old enough to know better ~ **Anonymous**

I think age is a very high price to pay for maturity ~ **Tom Stoppard**

Age is not a particularly interesting subject. Anyone can get old. All you have to do is live long enough. ~ **Groucho Marx**

STRATEGIC PLANNING

Components of an Organizations Strategy (Pictures on page 1)

Mission - reason for the journey; why we exist, our purpose; what the organization would lose if we did not exist.

Vision - the desired future state if anything was attainable, what you want to look like 10 years from now, where you're going

Strategic Priorities & Action Plans - which roads we travel, how we travel the road, activities that provide sustainable differentiation, how we get to the Vision

Objectives & Metrics - measures of success, critical areas needing monitoring, forward looking and lagging indicators (financial, process, performance)

Core values - what we consider correct behavior, what we consider vital, how we measure the "rightness" of implementing strategies, core values do not shift with trends, organization's conditions, for financial gain or short term expediency

HE WHO LAUGHS LASTS

A two year old is like having a blender, but you don't have a top for it.

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Happy Birthday*

Jeff Sheehan 2.24

Cleve Clinton 2.25

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