



THE HUB

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Serving to Make a Difference Since 1948

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Program Chair of the Day: Ed Fjordbak



Ann Drumm American Promise

Ann Drumm is a volunteer serving as the North Texas organizer for American Promise. A Dallas native, Ann earned undergraduate degrees in business and history and a law degree from SMU. Ann also volunteers for Citizens Climate Lobby and lives with her husband David in the Uptown neighborhood of Dallas.

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Our Promise:

Our movement will strengthen our fundamental values: We will amend the constitution to combat corruption; end elite and foreign money control of our elections, and secure the free speech and representation of all Americans.

Freedom: America was founded on freedom. For Our Freedom, we will amend the Constitution to combat corruption, end elite and foreign money control of our elections, and secure freedom of speech and representation of all Americans.

Equality: America was founded on equality. All are created equal, endowed with unalienable rights. When those with massive concentrated wealth can use that wealth to control elections, we do not have equal rights or representative self-government.

Service: To keep the promise of freedom, Americans have always answered the call to serve. When big money donors turn elections into ugly and divisive two-party contests. Americans who would serve stay away, and neighbor is turned against neighbor.

RCPC IN ACTION

COMING ATTRACTIONS

- **Saturday, Mar, 9, 5:00-8:00 pm.** Dallas Crawfish Festival in Ferris Plaza. All you can eat crawfish tickets (\$41.05/person) or general admission (\$12.49/person). Sign up on the eBulletin and RSVP so Herb Ziev will know you are coming.
- **Monday, Mar. 18, 4:30 to 6:45 pm.** Your help is needed at **Ronald McDonald House**. We have a few more volunteer spots. Details in Bulletin or ask Kathleen.
- **Saturday, Mar. 30, 12 Noon to 3:00pm.** **March Madness** Fun at the Over Under Sports Bar, 5625 Village Glen Dr., Dallas 75206. Bring Friends. Register on RCPC website or in the eBulletin.
- **Friday, Apr, 26, 6:05 pm.** **Frisco Roughriders vs Amarillo Sodpoodles**, Frisco Roughriders Riders Field, 7300 Roughriders Trail, Frisco TX 75034. \$ 27/person + \$ 5.00/car when purchased in advance. Each ticket includes a \$10 food voucher.

-BOOTS & BLING- DISTRICT CONFERENCE CELEBRATORY BANQUET

Boots & Bling District 5810 Conference Golf Tournament

Buffalo Creek Golf Club
Rotary Rockwall Club
The Center at
Rockwall City Place

April 12 & 13, 2024

Guest Speaker:
PRIP John Germ

Friday Golf & Dinner - \$125
Additional Dinner ticket -
\$25 Saturday only - \$125
Friday & Saturday - \$200

Saturday, March 9, District Roundtable at Scottish Rite Hospital in Frisco, 5700 Dallas Pkwy, Frisco, TX 75034. Refreshments and Socializing, 9:30am; Meeting 10am -12pm This will be a hybrid event, Link on eBulletin.

ROTARY INTERNA'L

March 8 is International Women's Day

Breaking Down Barriers: Rotary Projects Empower Girls and Women Across the World excerpted from *Rotary Voices*, by Claudia Urbano, Rotary Service and Engagement staff

International Women's Day on 8 March celebrates the achievements and potential of women around the world. Despite significant progress in advancing the rights, agency, and autonomy of women, many girls and women still face barriers to reaching their full potential.

Rotary works on projects that empower girls and women by breaking down these barriers. Here are a few examples:

Hygiene education and access to toilets for girls attending school in Uganda. Imagine missing school days because you lack access to sanitary products and an adequate toilet. The shame and discomfort associated with inadequate sanitation facilities not only disrupt education but also reinforce harmful gender inequalities. Efforts by the Ugandan government, Rotary clubs, and USAID are improving the situation through infrastructure development, educational workshops, and advocacy.

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

LAST WEEK

Presiding: President **Jeff Sheehan**
 Invocation/ Pledge: **Richard Stanford**
 Marketplace Advertiser: **Herb Hammond**
 highlighting **Chris Blackman**
 Photographer: **Phillip Bankhead**
 Chair of the Day: **Mark Kashar**
 Speaker: **Mark Melton**
 Program: **The Dallas Eviction Advocacy center**



President **Jeff Sheehan** called the meeting to order. **Richard Stanford** gave the invocation; there were no new concerns today. He then led the Pledge of Allegiance and "The Star Spangled Banner."

President **Jeff** asked for Happy Bucks and then introduced our visitors and guests.

Herb Hammond filled in for Sgt-at-Arms **Van Oliver** to recognize our members with birthdays in March. He reminded them that they should make their voluntary contribution to the RCPC Foundation.



Herb Ziev introduced our Marketplace Advertiser of the week, **Chris Blackman** and the Blackman Group. **Jill Jordan** said that through the Leap Day Match for the Food Bank, RCPC had gained almost \$85,000 for the NTFB.

The raffle is up to \$918. It was not won today. The odds are getting better and the pot is getting bigger every week!

Mark Kashar introduced our speaker today, **Mark Melton**, the founder of the Dallas Eviction Advocacy Center.



He said he provides legal services for \$1 Billion in multi-family real estate. He also doesn't want to let anybody be evicted illegally. In 2020 people were told to stay home, but the rent was still due. He said that there is virtue bias; that successful people are good people, hard-working and intelligent, but that poor people are lazy or stupid. When something bad happens, people say they must have done something to deserve it. At the time the county passed a rent moratorium. People started calling him, wanting to know what

Please remember

Karl Von Bieberstein who is recovering from surgery to repair a torn tendon.

Jodie Ray who is recovering from heart valve repair surgery.

Please let us know your joys and concerns.

was going to happen. He said he started re-searching eviction law. He set up a website dealing with eviction in 2020. He put out a call on social media and fifty lawyers volunteered, and 120 families were saved from eviction. In 2021 he changed the name to what it is now and hired two lawyers. They had 120 cases and won 97% of them because the landlords do it wrong 97% of the time. The landlords should let the tenants stay one month. Texas is not friendly to renters. Renters can be evicted in ten days. They don't have time to get another pay check or borrow the money or find another place to live. It contributes to the increasing homeless population. Most evictions are single moms with kids. He asked why is there 97% noncompliance rate among landlords. A social economist said that people will act rationally whether or not it is legal. In making a decision, one asks what are the chances you get caught. What are the consequences. Before COVID 1% of renters had lawyers. The landlords would go to court and the judge would rubber stamp the eviction. The problem is not with eviction; the problem is with unlawful eviction. Both sides should follow the law. Last year there were 3700 evictions in Dallas County. He wanted to represent all of them. Every eviction must go through JP court. There are ten JP courts. He wanted to be there and represent every renter who walked through the door. He wanted to reach saturation, so that everyone would have to follow the law. If you are in court you can offer services to the renters. The burden of proof is on the landlord. If the tenant had a lawyer, they lost only 7% of the time. If the tenant did not have a lawyer, they lost 74% of the time. You have rights in this country if you can defend them. In reality the rule of law is not for everybody. They have not reached saturation yet. They have sixteen lawyers, but need fifteen to twenty to cover all the dockets. They want to create accountability. If the culture of noncompliance is formed they should lose every time.

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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3	M	M	M	M	Mtg	F D
10	M	M	M	M	Mtg	
17	M Mc	M	M BD	M	Mtg	
24	M	M	M	M Cn	NO mtg	F

A=Agape Health Serv Day

BD= Brd 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

FT=NTFB Truck.

FB=NTFB Evt- Susan Glen

In=Interact Special Project 8 am - Tracy Gomes.

LL=Legacy of Leadership

M=Meals on Wheels, Jim Weichel

M= Mentoring at Hillcrest H.S. various days, times

Mc=Ronald McDonald House

1 x/mo-Kathleen Klaviter

NM=New Member Event

Pr= Program Committee Mtg

RL=Readers2Leaders-various days, times- Rob Levy

Rct=Rotaract- Ruth Alhilali.


SP=Strategic Planning Mtg

SpE=Special Service Event

VA=Veterna Support- Evan

Altamus

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

-  **Mar. 15** **Jeremy Strick**
The Nasher
-  **Mar. 22** **Burton Rhodes**
The Dallas Real Estate Market
-  **Mar. 29** **NO Meeting**
Easter Holiday!
-  **Apr. 05** **Jim Montgomery**
A Life of Swimming

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 Van Oliver.


Attendance Rule Change. For those wanting to maintain Perfect Attendance, make-ups may now be completed within a year.

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-  #PeopleOfAction  #parkcitiesrotary
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THOUGHTS ON...

Freedom

I believe we are on an irreversible trend toward more freedom and democracy - but that could change. ~Dan Quayle

Well, if crime fighters fight crime and fire fighters fight fire, what do freedom fighters fight? They never mention that part to us, do they? ~George Carlin

People demand freedom of speech as a compensation for the freedom of thought which they seldom use.

~Soren Kierkegaard

You can't separate peace from freedom because no one can be at peace unless he has his freedom. ~Malcolm X

Next in importance to freedom and justice is popular education, without which neither freedom nor justice can be permanently maintained.

~James A. Garfield

Self-reliance is the only road to true freedom, and being one's own person is its ultimate reward. ~Patricia Sampson

Everything that is really great and inspiring is created by the individual who can labor in freedom. ~Albert Einstein

For to be free is not merely to cast off one's chains, but to live in a way that respects and enhances the freedom of others. ~Nelson Mandela

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

Women's Projects' continued from pg 1

Maasai Women Make Cleanliness Their Business in Kenya:

Working in conjunction with the Rotary Club of Evanston, the Maji Masafi Initiative has been managing and implementing the Soap for Water Program within the Maasai community in Kenya. The Maasai women played a key role in identifying the problems and solutions, and they now manage the water re-sources and a soap-making business. The project has improved the health and livelihoods of the Maasai women and their families. Once we had that system established, we worked with the groups to develop a program that would help them earn some income. The micro-finance project

HE WHO LAUGHS, LASTS

A woman was surprised to find an old picture of herself, younger, slimmer and falling in love with her future husband. When she showed him the picture, he said, "WOW, look at that! That's my old Impala!"

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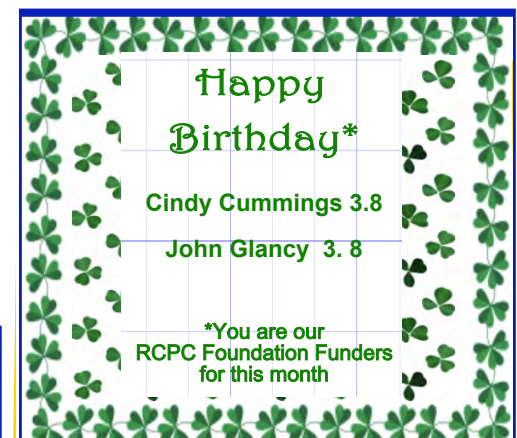
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led to a new initiative, Soap for Water, making liquid soap, funded by a \$5,000 district grant.

Rotary Members Work Toward Eliminating Cervical Cancer in Latin America and Egypt:

Cervical cancer is a preventable tragedy that disproportionately affects women in low- and middle-income countries. Through initiatives like the HPV project in Latin America and Programs of Scale grant recipient End Cervical Cancer in Egypt, Rotary members are working tirelessly to break taboos, increase awareness, and make the HPV vaccine more accessible, saving countless lives.

These stories demonstrate the transformative power of empowering women and girls.



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