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TODAY'S PROGRAM

Program Chair of the Day: Ron Clinton



Colonel John Antal, U.S. Army (Ret.)

America 250: 7 Leadership Lessons of the American Revolution

John Antal is a bestselling author and military analyst dedicated to developing leaders and inspiring service. With 17 books and numerous articles on leadership, history, and warfighting, he is shaping the conversation on future conflict. His recent best-sellers, *7 Seconds to Die* (2022) and *Next War* (2023), offer urgent insights into the evolving character of war. In 2025, *Next War: Reimagining How We Fight* was selected by the Commandant of the US Marine Corps for inclusion on the Commandant's Professional Reading List, specifically in the Innovation category, to enhance Marines' understanding of the changing nature of warfare.

John's military experience spans 30 years in the US Army as an Armor and Cavalry officer. A graduate of the US Military Academy at West Point, Airborne and Ranger qualified, and an Expert Infantryman's Badge recipient, he commanded tank and cavalry units from platoon to regiment and served on division, corps, and multinational staffs. He is a distinguished graduate of both the Command and General Staff College and the Army War College, and also served as Special Assistant to the Chair-

man of the Joint Chiefs and G3 (Operations Officer) of III Armored Corps.

After retiring from the Army, John worked in the gaming industry, where he led teams to develop AAA+ video games. He was also the Managing Editor of an interactive magazine that was nominated as one of the best in the US. He has appeared on numerous TV and radio shows to discuss leadership historical, and national security issues. He was awarded the US Congressional Veterans Award in 2017 by United States Congressman Sam Johnson and served as a member of the Army Science Board from 2018-2021. John is a sought-after speaker on leadership and modern warfare, delivering nearly 750+ briefings, in person or online, since 2021 to US and Allied military and government leaders on the evolving art of war. To see one of his presentations go to:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rSKRH_UqSk

**John Antal's Purpose:
To develop leaders and inspire service.**

RCPC IN ACTION

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.

Parade Co-Chair, Jill Jordan called for **pre-Parade volunteers**

- **Greeters** for dignitaries attending the Grand Marshal Luncheon at Maggianos on **June 5th**
- **Table hosts** for GM Luncheon at Maggianos on **June 5** -->

RCPC Dues for Rotary Year 26-27 Are Due This Month

RCPC Treasurer Paul Pirok reported the Good News that dues would remain the same as last year - no increase. **He asked that all members pay prior to June 1st.** Ways to pay include,

- Check mailed to the club address or brought to the meeting
- Credit card through the website **(there will be an additional fee)**
- Zelle also via the website (no fee)

NO Meeting on May 22!

- **Callers** to HPISD sports moms for current email addresses
- **Google Sheets Guru** to help update data-base informa-

Club 250

The current cohort of the Legacy of Leadership has created Club 250. You can join by donating \$250 **thru RCPC** to the North Texas Food Bank/ The first 300 donors will receive a commemorative coin recognizing both Rotary and America's 250th birthday.



If you can work on the day of the **Parade**, please sign up **ASAP**. HP and UP are concerned about security and want our names soon.

District 5810



- **Sat, May 23, Rotary Night at Riders Field.** Bring your family, - 7:05 pm for the Game to watch the Frisco Roughriders - 4:30 - 5:30 pm Network and meet Rotarians from other clubs at a Mixer before the game Regular Group tickets = \$12 Loaded ticket = \$25 and includes \$15 concession credit (the first drink is on us).



Wed, June 26, 6:00pm at Prestonwood Country Club, Join us for an evening of fellowship and **Installation of District Officers.** \$75 pp thru Junw 1; \$80 after.


LAST WEEK

Presiding: PTrsident **Sarah Oliai**
 Invocation and Pledge: PP **Karl Von Bieberstein**
 Advertiser of the Week: **Jim Weichel** and **WaFd Bank**
 Photographer: PP **Ley Waggoner**
 Speaker: **Erika Huddleston**
 Program: "**The Dilbeck Conservancy**"

 President **Sarah Oliai** called the meeting to order. PP **Karl Von Bieberstein** gave the invocation, and then led the Pledge of Allegiance and "The Star Spangled Banner." 

President **Sarah** asked for Happy Bucks. There were several mentions of children or grandchildren graduating. She asked for visitors and guests to be introduced. Among our guests was a visiting Rotarian, Mike Moore, who is a former member of RCPC.

Mark Neace introduced our Marketplace Advertiser of the Week, **Jim Weichel** and **WaFd Bank**. **Mark** also made an announcement about the District's Rotary Means Business Networking Events and urged everyone to attend them and bring a non-Rotarian guest..

PP **Greg Pape** mentioned that there were twenty-eight Paul Harris Society members in RCPC, each of whom contribute \$1,000.00 every year. There are twenty-four members who are Major Donors, who have donated \$10,000 or more. There are also twenty-eight Benefactors who have given between \$1000 and \$9,999 to Rotary in their wills. There are also ten Bequest Society members, which included the most recent addition **Cullen Quinn** who has become a Benefactor. A few weeks ago **Alan Winn** contributed \$100 to make **Monty Montero** a Paul Harris Fellow. **Monty** then made a contribution to become a second level Paul Harris Fellow, PP **Jeff McNaughton** was awarded a PHF pin with a ruby recognizing him as a seventh level Paul Harris Fellow. 


President **Sarah** announced the Raffle drawing. Since there was a winner last week there is only \$65 in the pot. The person with

Please remember and keep these families in your prayers.



John Morelock's funeral is Monday June 8th at 4:00pm at St. Michael's and All Angels Episcopal Church, 8011 Douglas Avenue, Dallas, TX 75225..

PP **Rod Pirtle** has had a hard time recovering from a fall in Autmn, 2025, and he and Beth have moved to the Clearwater in Highland Park which will provide better care.

Please let us know your concerns.

the winning ticket did not win the raffle. **Marshall Weaver** explained that Legacy of Leadership cohorts receive an education in leadership and must complete a project at the end. They have created Club 250 for members who pledge \$250 to the North Texas Food Bank. The first three hundred donors will receive a commemorative coin. They have already received \$17,000 in donations. 

President **Sarah** reminded everyone to sign up to work on the day of the Parade. Because of the extra security concerns, HP and UP have asked for the names of everyone who will be working that day. So please sign up now.

Paul Pirok introduced our speaker today, **Erika Huddleston**, to speak on the Dilbeck Architecture Conservancy. She said that the Conservancy was established a few years ago and has seven Board Members. **Charles Dilbeck** built many homes in the Park Cities, The home she wanted to talk about was built in 1942 in a rambling style Dilbeck was the inventor of the Texas ranch-style house. In 1942 there was no air conditioning so much of the house is just one room deep. After restoring the house in the 1970s, the family moved the house, brick by brick. At that time the house was added on to. He is famous for his brickwork. Many of the houses were built in the '30s and '40s, but he worked into the 1970s.  

The Conservancy is dedicated to the preservation of Dilbeck's architectural legacy through advocacy, documentation and education/ Their vision is to awaken the public to the architectural excellence and historical value of all things Dilbeck. They want to celebrate his work, as well as preserve it. The founder of the Katy Trail was one

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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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- A=Agape Health Serv Day**
- BD= Bnd of Dirs Mtg, 8am**
- BF=Bonton Farm**
- CC=Crossroads Com. Pabtry**
- Cn=PCR Connect Event.**
- CP=Childs Play 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=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=Veterans Support-**

UPCOMING PROGRAMS



May 22 NO Meeting
Memorial Day Weekend



May 29 Cal Jillson
A Political Update



June 5 Grand Marshal Luncheon
Current and Past Grand Marshals

June 12 Lynn McBee
TBA - It will be interesting!

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 . . .

Patriotism

Our heroes are those... who... act above and beyond the call of duty and in so doing give definition to patriotism and elevate all of us.... America is the land of the free because we are the home of the brave.

~ **David Mahoney**

You can question somebody's views and their judgment without questioning their motives or patriotism. ~ **Barack Obama**

Patriotism having become one of our topicks, Johnson suddenly uttered, in a strong determined tone, an apophthegm, at which many will start: "Patriotism is the last refuge of a scoundrel." But let it be considered that he did not mean a real and generous love of our country, but that pretended patriotism which so many, in all ages and countries, have made a cloak of self- interest.

~ **Samuel Johnson**

Patriotism is an indispensable weapon in the defense of civilization against barbarism.

~ **William Kristol**

To announce that there must be no criticism of the president, right or wrong - is not only unpatriotic and servile, but is morally treasonable to the American public.

~ **Theodore Roosevelt**

Meeting Notes *(continued from page 2)*

of the founding Board Members until his death. The call themselves "Dilbeckians." Anyone can be a Dilbeckian; you just have to have a passion for Dilbeck. Most Dilbeck houses had wooden shingles, although many have been replaced now. They have found about 400 Dilbeck structures and are still finding more. They exist in Texas, Oklahoma, Colorado, New Mexico, Kansas, Nevada, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee and Florida. Most of his work is in north Texas, mainly in Dallas and in Oklahoma, mainly in Tulsa. He was born 1907 in Ft. Smith, Arkansas. His father was a lumber yard owner so he became familiar with building very early. He was fifteen when he built his

HE WHO LAUGHS, LASTS

A Sales Associate at Walmart, notices a man in the card section. She walks by an hour later and he is still there. she walks over. "Can I help you?" she asks. "Well I don't know" the man responds "I'm having a problem, I can't find anything that my wife would believe!

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first house. Like many people, he came to Texas because of the oil boom. He came to Dallas in 1927 and went to work for an architectural firm, but soon went out on his own and built his first house in Dallas in 1932. Many of his houses were very dramatic and colorful, but some of this has been changed over the years. Willis Winters is writing a book on the Dilbeck structures which will be published through Texas A&M. He has researched this book for four years and found many of the Dilbecks. Dilbeck was adventurous and changed his style often. He created some houses that were more contemporary, mid-century. One member said he had lived in a Dilbeck house and that they are hard to live in because the bedrooms and closets are small.



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