



THE HUB

The Rotary Club
of Park Cities

Volume 76, Number 12

www.parkcitiesrotary.org

October 9, 2026

Serving to Make a Difference Since 1948

TODAY'S PROGRAM



Bart Slowik

The State of AI in DFW: What's Real, What's Hype, What's Next

Program Chair of the Day: Richard Stanford

Bart Slowik is Managing Director of Innovation at the Dallas Regional Chamber, the organization behind Convergence AI, the largest AI conference in North Texas. He leads the Chamber's innovation programming and tracks AI adoption, investment, and workforce trends across the region for its member companies and civic partners.

For more about the Dallas Regional Chamber, www.dallaschamber.org

Convergence AI Dallas Where Artificial Intelligence and Business Meet

Hosted by the Dallas Regional Chamber, this two-day conference will bring together a diverse set of more than 1,100 leaders, from executives to entrepreneurs, to hear about the latest trends and innovations in artificial intelligence.

Insights

The pace of change in AI is moving at a breathtaking speed. Learn about the latest applications in artificial intelligence - from generative AI, robotics, automation, and more.

Networking

Connect with business leaders from all types of industries and grow your network. Participate in Convergence Labs and Table Talks led by industry experts around key issues.

Exposure

Explore the exhibit hall where companies will showcase the latest AI technologies and how you can leverage them in your business. Grow your brand visibility by sponsoring.

When: April 27-28, 2027

Where: Irving Convention Center
from <https://convergedallas.ai>

RCPC INACTION

Saturday, Oct. 17, Envision Walk at the Dallas Zoo.

Monday, Oct. 19, 4:00pm. Make dinner for families at **Ronald McDonald House**, 4707 Bengal St. Dallas, 75235. Sign up on the RCPC website to book online. Qs? Ask Kathleen Klaviter

Saturday, Oct 17, 9:00-11:30 am
NTFB Volunteer Packing Day at NTFB, 3677 Mapleshade Lane Plano, 75075 Sign up on RCPC website. Qs? Ask Susan Glen

Tuesday, Oct 27, 6:30-8:00pm.
Fall RCPC Program Team Meeting at 3725 Turtle Creek Blvd # B, Dallas 75219
Bring: great program ideas! Pizza and beverages will be provided. Register on the RCPC website and email Richard Stanford to let him know you are coming!

Save The Dates!

Saturday, Nov 7, 8:00am-1:30pm.
Dentistry With a Heart,

Friday, Nov. 20 at the Regular Noon Meeting.
Club's Annual Meeting.

District 5810

Sat, Oct. 10, 9:30-10:00 am
-Breakfast, Networking, 10-Noon-Subject: Youth Activities at East Texas-A&M Dallas, 8750 N. Central Expwy, Floor 9, 75231. Zoom option available-District 5810's Personal Meeting Room

Sat, Oct. 24, 10:00am.
World's Largest Polio Walk to End Polio Now at Brookhaven Main Campus
Registration \$25 on District website

You Are Invited!

Wednesday, Oct 14, 6:00pm-8:30 pm. **Holocaust Museum Special Speaker Series** at the Holocaust and Human Rights Museum, 300 N. Houston, Dallas 75202. Upstander Speaker Series: Natan Sharansky, Author and Former Minister of Interior in Israel. \$10 for Non-members. Free for members

Thursday, Oct 22, 5:30-7:30pm
Pints for Polio. Joint meeting with Dallas RC at the White Rock Boat Club, 340 East Lawther, Dallas 75218. Pizza, Pints and Raffle to raise funds toward our fight against Polio. Tickets are \$35/person.

If you have items to add to the Raffle, let Rene Santana know and she will be sure they are added. Qs? Ask Rene

Foot Care Clinic at Austin Street Center

excerpted from the email from Holly McKasson, dated 10-3-26

At our 5th year of running the Foot Care Clinic at Austin Street Center RCPC had a huge turnout of over 150 Austin Street participants served (lost count after we ran out of foot care packets, and some at the end just get socks and shoes). We struggled this year to get enough nursing student volunteers but Liz Sabau worked tirelessly seeking Baylor volunteers and Stephanie Bohan, CEO of Hope Cottage and a RCPC member, came through for us with the numbers needed to best serve the participants. As usual, Park Cities Rotary had over 20 volunteers working to check in participants, help the nurses, distribute the socks, fit shoes and make it all happen! [See pictures on page 3]

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

LAST WEEK

Presiding: President **Mark Kashar**
 Invocation and Pledge: **Daniel Drabinski**
 Introduction of Visitors and Guests: Pres. **Mark**
 Advertiser of the Week: **Kathy Wall** and State
 Farm Insurance
 Photographer: PP **Ley Waggoner**
 Speaker: **Charlie Poe**
 Program: "**Leadership**"



President **Mark** called the meeting to order on the first rainy day in months. **Daniel Drabinski** gave the invocation. Then he led the Pledge of Allegiance and "The Star Spangled Banner." He then joined President **Mark** and everyone present in wishing **Laurie Aldredge** a Happy Birthday!



Tom Swift reported on the Foot Care Clinic. He said they had a good turnout and gave away over 150 pairs of shoes and socks. He thanked all the members who volunteered.

President **Mark** asked for Happy Bucks. He then introduced our visitors and guests. One had been a member of a Rotary Club in Fort Worth and was visiting for a second time.

Mark Neace introduced our Marketplace Advertiser of the Week, **Kathy Wall** and State Farm Insurance.

Sgt-at-Arms **Jack Carpenter** recognized all the members with October birthdays. He also reminded them to make their one hundred dollar (or more) donation to the RCPC Foundation. He asked which month has the most member birthdays. It is October with eighteen!

Susan Glen announced the Volunteer Food Packing Day at the North Texas Food Bank. She also mentioned that the Peanut Butter Drive is still going. Donate using the QR Code.



Susan introduced new member **Sharyn Casey**, saying they had worked together in a nonprofit several years ago. **Sharyn** has already been involved with Bonton.

PP **Happy Franklin** said the club's goal for new members this year is 26 for 26 and that if twenty-six members each brought in one new member, we would easily make that goal.

Please remember

Let us know your concerns.

President **Mark** reviewed all of the events for October. He then called for the Raffle. It is currently worth \$935. **Tom Bright** had the winning ticket but did not win the Raffle.

PE **Eric Harrison** introduced our speaker today, **Charlie Poe**, who he said helps leaders get out of their own way. He started by saying that leadership is one of the core values of Rotary International. He thinks of leadership as a skill that can be learned. You can get better at it over time. He said meta-performance is what is better than high performance. Good performers ask how do I do a good job. Low performers ask how do I not get fired. High performers ask how do I become the best at something. Yes, it is possible to be the best at something. Then the goal changes to how do I stay the best. The meta-performer asks what am I capable of or what are we capable of. This is different from the others because it is an infinite question. There is always another level to go to. Answering the first three questions requires an external measure; you have to know what everybody else is doing. What am I capable of is competing you against you. It has nothing to do with anybody else. It asks what am I going to pursue and what thrills me about pursuing it. In our business, whether we are working with a group or individually, everything starts with a vision. We want to envision a future that invites thrill, invites passion and justifies the pain of transformation. What will I do to get there; what makes it worth it. What is the target you are going after. You can't hit a target you can't see. He often finds the target is not well defined. Specificity is very important. A lot of times someone has an idea of what they want to have happen but it is vague, or they know what they don't want. It is the vision reality gap. High quality input is necessary for high quality output. Do I really know what life will look like when I accomplish my vision. It is important to know what you believe about yourself, what you believe about your vision and what you believe about the resources you have available to you in the world around you. Mind set is another skill set. You can have a great strategy, but without belief, it will fail.



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

The Hub is the weekly newsletter of the Rotary Club of Park Cities (Dallas)

Betty Dawson, Editor

Shutterbug Committee

Ley Waggoner, Chair

Bulletin/Internet Advertising

Mark Neace, Interim Chair



OFFICERS and DIRECTORS

2026-2027

Mark Kashar, President

Eric Harrison, President-Elect

Bill Jordan, Vice President

Patti Schaub, Secretary

Marshall Weaver, Treasurer

Directors

Elisa Garcia, Fostering Leadership

Susan Glen, Tackling Hunger

Herb Ziev, Supporting Health and Wellness

Tom Swift, Club Operations

Happy Franklin, Membership/Communications

Mark Neace, Public Image/Marketing

Kacey Lambert, Youth

Jeff McNaughton, At Large

Sarah Oliai, Immed. Past President

Jack Carpenter, Sgt-at-Arms

Richard Gilman, Parliamentarian

Laurie Aldredge, Club Administrator

8350 N. Central Expwy, Ste 1900

Dallas, TX 75206

Office Phone: 469-242-9448

club@parkcitiesrotary.org

parkcitiesrotary.org

Olayinka Hakeem Babalol

Rotary Club of Trans Amadi, Nigeria

President of Rotary International

www.rotary.org

CREATE LASTING IMPACT

Mike Callahan

RC of Prestonwood

Governor, District 5810

www.rotary5810.org



October						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				M	Mtg	
4	M	M	M	M	Mtg	
11	M	M	M	M	Inv	Food Bank
18	Mc	M	BD	Pints	Mtg	Dist
25	M	M	Prog	M	Mtg	

A=Agape Health Serv Day

F=Bonton Farm

BD = Brd of Dirs Mtg, 8am

CC=Crossroads Com.

PC =PCR Connect Event.

CP=Childs Play Work Mtg-

D=ctrict 5810 Event

DH=Dentistry with a Heart-

Michael Ralwater

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-JimWeichel

various days and times

Mn= Mentoring at Hillcrest HS

various days and times

Mc=RonaldMcDonaldHouse

1x/mo-KathleenKlaviter

NM=NewMemberEvent

Pr=ProgramCommittedMtg

RL=Readers2Leaders-various

days, times- Rob Levy

Rct=Rotaract- Ruth Alhaili.

SP=Strategic Planning Mtg

SpE=Special Service Event

VA=Veterans Support-

UPCOMING PROGRAMS



Oct. 16 Timothy Hise
United to Learn



Oct. 23 DG Mike Callahan
District Governor Official Visit



Oct. 30 Jeff Kitner
North Dallas Chamber of Commerce



Nov, 6 Dr. Thomas Allen
The Future of Longevity: Science, Regenerative
Medicine, and Living Better/Longer

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.

LLike Us! <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Rotary-Club-of-Park-Cities/115439238516325>

ROTARY CONNECTED



<http://bit.ly/RCPCfacebook>



<http://bit.ly/RCPC/linkedin>



<http://bit.ly/RCPC/twitter>



<http://bit.ly/RCPC/twitter>



[RCPCgoogleplus](http://bit.ly/RCPC/googleplus)

Miss a Meeting? Watch it on YouTube or as an event on Facebook!



<http://bit.ly/RCPC/youtube>

<https://www.facebook.com/events/>

Share Rotary! Post on your social media when you're at a meeting or event. Use our hashtags!

Like and Follow us on Social Media: Website:

<https://parkcitiesrotary.org/>

Facebook: www.facebook.com/RotaryClubOfParkCities

YouTube: www.youtube.com/channel/UCf4ZH-2nwIscW8XNTnsbnw

LinkedIn: www.linkedin.com/company/park-cities-rotary-club/?viewAsMember=true

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



#PeopleOfAction



#district5810proud



#parkcitiesrotary



#goodthingshappene nonfridays

THOUGHTS ON ...

Thought

Discovery consists of seeing what everybody has seen and thinking what nobody has thought. ~ **Albert Szent-Gyorgy**

The only reason some people get lost in thought is because it's unfamiliar territory. ~ **Paul Fix**

It is the mark of an educated mind to be able to entertain a thought without accepting it. ~ **Aristotle**

Speech is conveniently located midway between thought and action, where it often substitutes for both.

~ **John Andrew Holmes**

A man is not idle because he is absorbed in thought. There is a visible labor and there is an invisible labor. ~ **Victor Hugo**

There are some that only employ words for the purpose of disguising their thoughts. ~ **Voltaire**

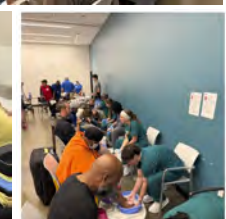
An opinion should be the result of thought, not a substitute for it. ~ **Jef Mallett**

The ancestor of every action is a thought. ~ **Ralph Waldo Emerson**

Dive into the sea of thought, and find there pearls beyond price. ~ **Moses Ibn Ezra**

Change your thoughts and you change your world. ~ **Norman Vincent Peale**

FOOT CARE CLINIC (continued)



HE WHO LAUGHS, LASTS

A friend asked, "Why are you staring at the orange juice?" The man replied, "Because it says concentrate."

Proposed New Member

Lisa Amsberry

Type of Membership: Dual

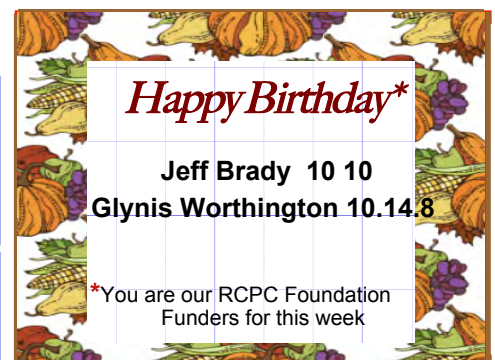
Classification: Accounting

Proposed by PDG Rick Amsberry

The Hub is printed by

Minuteman Press

7010 Greenville 75231 • 214-691-6377



Happy Birthday*

Jeff Brady 10 10

Glynis Worthington 10.14.8

*You are our RCPC Foundation Funders for this week

Rotary Club of Park Cities Market Place

 Gray Reed & McGraw, P.C. Board Certified in Civil Trial Law By the Texas Board of Legal Specialization Cleve Clinton Shareholder 1601 Elm Street Suite 4600 Dallas, Texas 75201 P: 214.954.4135 D: 469.320.6032 F: 214.953.1332 cclinton@grayreed.com www.grayreed.com	 RICHARDSON TIMBERS, LLC <i>Timber Harvest Since 1960</i> Lynn O. Surls	DBG Advisors™ Determine, Build – Get Full Value Dr. Nolan Duck, CEO M&A Advisor – Board Certified Broker – Real Estate Broker Certified Exit Planning Advisor – Certified Value Builder 801 E. Campbell Rd. • Ste 250-L • Richardson, TX 75081 Office 972-200-0991 • Cell 972-358-0321 nolan@dbgadvisors.com • www.dbgadvisors.com
 NAVIGATION FINANCIAL GROUP Happy Franklin, AWMA, CRPS, AAMS, CDFA Wealth Planner 15770 North Dallas Parkway, Suite 650, Dallas, TX 75244 D: 214.217.5825 • C: 214.621.4596 hfranklin@navigationfinancial.com www.navigationfinancial.com • www.happyfranklin.com	 People Newspapers <i>Park Cities People • Preston Hollow People</i> "THE BEST COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER IN TEXAS" <i>Serving Park Cities since 1961</i> • Award-winning community news • Best demographics • 100% coverage of the Park Cities 214.739.2244 parkcitiespeople.com An affiliate of D	 RLG CONSULTING ENGINEERS <i>Where visions meet solutions</i> David M. Goodson, P.E. Stuart & Markussen, P.E. & P.L.L.C. 12001 N. Central Expressway, Suite 300, Dallas, TX 75243 (214) 739-8500 • Fax (214) 739-6356 www.rlginc.com
 OLIAI LAW FIRM, PLLC SARAH E. OLIAI Attorney at Law <i>Board Certified in Estate Planning and Probate Law</i> 4521 San Jacinto Dallas, Texas 75204 soliai@olialawfirm.com 214.784.5077 www.estateplandallas.com	 SUSAN GLEN SVP Client Relations & Non-Profit Solutions susang@careemp.com 214.908.9981 www.CareerMP.com  <i>Proudly a minority & woman owned firm</i>	Purpose Driven Content That Grows Business Value  SERVE to LEAD MEDIA markneace.com 
 CC YOUNG CELEBRATING 100 YEARS! <i>SERVING SENIORS SINCE 1922</i>	 State Farm Sells Life Insurance. Kathy L. Wall, Agent 214-350-2692 Kathy@KathyLWall.com	 Vista Bank MEMBER FDIC • EQUAL HOUSING LENDER Putting people first since 1912. vistabank.com
 McGriff <i>Insurance Risk Management Employee Benefits</i> Kyle Marmillion Vice President, Advisor, Partner (512) 470-3297 	 Branded Packaging Made Easy Since 1976. Food Service Retail E-Commerce Promotional Eric K. Heitkamp 1.800.575.4902 www.packagingplususa.com 	Allie Beth Allman & Associates A BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY AFFILIATE Jason Graves REALTOR 214.404.7787 
 James Weichel Texas Regional President Senior Vice President 5420 LBJ Freeway, Suite 200 Dallas, TX 75240 o 972-419-4170 • m 214-498-7000 james.weichel@wafd.com		
	<i>Thank you to all our Marketplace Advertisers</i> We have spots available for the 2025-26 Rotary Year. Purchase at the RCPC website "store" or with a check. Cost of the ad will be prorated during the year. To change or update your ad, send an updated digital Business Card to bedawson@swbell.net and to kyle.marmillion@protonmail.com. Questions? Ask Mark Neace at mark@synclabmedia.com	