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TODAY'S PROGRAM

Program Chair of the Day: Bill Sleeper



Scott Ehlers Horse Racing in Texas

Scott graduated from MacArthur High School in Irving, TX in 1994 and went on to study Finance at Stephen F. Austin Univ. in Nacogdoches, TX. While attending SFA, Scott joined the Sigma Tau Gamma fraternity. He really enjoyed his time in college and making lifelong friends in the fraternity. One of his fraternity brothers invited him to drive up to Louisiana Downs for a weekend of thoroughbred horse racing. That was Scott's first taste of the experience attending a live horse racing event and he loved it. He graduated SFA with a degree in Finance and went on to help his family open their franchise Blockbusters around the globe, while enjoying the horses when he could. He has many stories of living in Hawaii, Guam, and Florida, to name a few!

This same fraternity brother called him at one point to ask him "do you know you can get a degree in horse racing?!?". So, they discovered at that time there were 2 school choices for this degree, one being their selection of the University of Arizona in Tucson. (This city had a racetrack at that time, so this was the first choice!)

He continued his full-time work with the DRF in NYC until his mother fell ill with cancer in 2007. He quickly moved back to Dallas to help take care of his mother. The DRF has continued to be a part of his daily life and handicapping races for the magazine around the states. He has even visited most of the thoroughbred horse tracks in the states, but not quite all. He has consistently proven his handicapping skills finishing meets in the black, with an ROI of over \$2. (He can tell you more about this.) He has picked quite a few long shots to finish on top and bring in a whopping \$42.40 across the board for 1 horse/1 race this past Tuesday at LAD (Louisiana Downs - \$26.20 win,

\$11.20 place, \$5 show)

They enrolled the following year and Scott went on to earn his second degree, Bachelor of Science in the Race Track Industry Program (RTIP). During his studies, he did his required internship at the old (now torn down) Hollywood Park. He worked there under trainer Neal Drysdale's team. Neal has **won two Triple Crown races – the Belmont Stakes (G1) with A.P. Indy in 1992 and the Kentucky Derby (G1) with Fusaichi Pegasus in 2000.** He was inducted into the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame in 2000. (copied from Wikipedia)

Scott graduated and quickly obtained a full-time position at the Daily Racing Form in 1997. He has continued working for them as a Professional Handicapper since. The DRF was sold to a business group that moved the offices from AZ to New York City. Scott was one of the few to accept the offer to move to NYC and made the long drive up with his favorite pal, a yellow lab named Chie and all of his belongings.

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RCPC IN ACTION!

September at Ronald McDonald House *from Kathleen Klaviter*



Join them on 3rd Monday of October!

Fun time had by all... Shout Out to Maggiano's for donating spaghetti and meat sauce! **Fred Brown** delivered from Maggiano's. **Robb Eggenmeyer** can chop onions and not tear up! **Kelly Poppe's** first time to join. *Thanks team!*

PCR Connect

via Facebook



PCR Connect is *back*, organized by **Sergio Poppe** and **Michelle Brown**. It is on the last Thursday of the month – and You are invited! Bring business cards, "war" stories, friends!

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

LAST WEEK

Presiding **Jeff Sheehan**
 Invocation/ Pledge: **Eric Heitkamp**
 Marketplace Advertiser: **Pat Martin**
 Photographer: **Ley Waggoner**
 Chair of the Day: **Pat Martin**
 Speakers: **Dr. Andy Stoker** and
Dr. Petra Weldes
 Program: **Interfaith Dialog as Balm in the Desert**



President **Jeff Sheehan** called the meeting to order. PP **Eric Heitkamp** gave the invocation, and then led the Pledge of Allegiance and "The Star Spangled Banner."

President **Jeff** called for Happy Bucks. **Trisha Cunningham** mentioned the success of North Texas Giving Day and the support of all of the non-profits who benefited. **Trisha** said she believed that the total for the day was \$63 Million, and that the North Texas Food Bank received \$1.5 Million.

He then introduced our visitors and guests **Kyle Marmillion** announced our Marketplace Advertiser of this week, **Pat Martin** and People Newspapers

PP **Happy Franklin** introduced new member, **Jim Thomas**, a retired commercial real estate broker, who is transferring from the Fredericksburg Rotary Club.



President **Jeff** announced the raffle which is now over \$2,000. However, the raffle still was not won. Try again next week!

PP **Jeff McNaughton** announced the Nominating Team who will make recommendations for the Officers and Board of Directors for the 2024-25 Rotary Year. The members are PP **Jeff McNaughton**, President **Jeff Sheehan**, PE **Nolan Duck**, VP **Sarah Oliai**, and At-Large Members **Mark Kashar**, **Happy Frank-lin** and **Paul Pirok**. The Team will propose a slate, which will be voted on at the Annual Meeting on December 1.

Mark Neace asked for two or three more people to be a part of the Public Image Team and said you do not need to be tech savvy to

Please remember

President **Jeff** gave an update on **Alan Winn**. His kidneys are now working normally, so he will be able to stop dialysis. Wonderful news!
Please let us know your joys and concerns.

apply. The skills learned would be helpful in business, including how to podcast on YouTube. If anyone knows an interested student who could volunteer a day a month, that would be an alternative. **Mark** can mentor them in the industry, as well.

President **Jeff** announced the 50-50 Raffle which is now about \$2,200. **Shawn Foster** won the drawing, but **not** the raffle.



Pat Martin introduced our speakers today with the bad news that Rabbi Nancy Kasten and Islamic faith leader Beril Dogan Berk could not participate because they had COVID. So the program will be a conversation between Drs. Andy Stoker and Petra Weldes. Andy said that there are



two threads emerging at the Tanks-giving Foundation. One is their Diamond Jubilee next year, celebrating sixty years. The structure and Thanks-giving Square were completed in 1977. Interfaith dialog has been part of the Thanks-giving Foundation's heart and our mind throughout. Can they translate this mission into social and racial equity spaces. What does it mean to walk together sharing this experience in this life, in this city, right now in the present moment to shape a Dallas which is far more just, equitable, inclusive and fair. We live in highly divisive and challenging time. What do our faith traditions bring to amplify that larger vision? How do we listen to the ancient scriptures, make those amplify and resonate into our hearts so that that message begins to be our outward posture to the world? Our faith traditions are similar, leaning heavily on spirituality; *For more of this interesting discussion, listen to it on YouTube!*

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October						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
1	M	M	M	M	Mtg	
8	M	M	M	M	Mtg	D
15	M	Mc	M	M	BD	Mtg
22	M	M	M	M	Cn	Mtg
29	M	M				

A=Agape Health Serv Day

BD= Bnd 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 Evtnt- 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=Veterans Support- Evan Altemus

UPCOMING PROGRAMS



Oct. 6 Michal Powell
Salvation Army



Oct. 13 Russell Martin, Director DeGolyer Library-SMU
The Rees-Jones Library of the American West



Oct. 20 Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison
NATO



Oct. 27 County Judge Clay Jenkins
Dallas County

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these hashtags:

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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.

The Rule of 85. Attendance requirements change for those who are at least 65 years of age and who have been a member of a Rotary club for twenty years

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THOUGHTS ON . . .

Horses

Each handicap is like a hurdle in a steeplechase, and when you ride up to it, if you throw your heart over, the horse will go along, too.

~ Lawrence Bixby

You never know how a horse will pull until you hook him up to a heavy load.

~ Paul "Bear" Bryant

Never look a gift horse in the mouth.

~ Saint Jerome

A horse! a horse! my kingdom for a horse!

~ William Shakespear

A good resolution is like an old horse, which is often saddled but rarely ridden.

~ Mexican Proverb

There is nothing so good for the inside of a man as the outside of a horse.

~ John Lubbock

Old minds are like old horses; you must exercise them if you wish to keep them in working order.

~ John Adams

Alimony is like buying oats for a dead horse.

~ Arthur Baer

Horse sense is the thing a horse has which keeps it from betting on people.

~ W.C. Fields

FAMILY OF ROTARY

RCPC / NTFB Volunteer Packing Day - Sat, October 14th!

from Susan Glen

RCPC is a Community Partner of the North Texas Food Bank. This is **our** time to **shine** and **support** NTFB, and be part of the incredible impact they have on our community

Please see the eBulletin to register for the NTFB Rotary Packing Day on Saturday, October 14th from 8:30 am until 11:30 am.

The event will be at the NTFB's main distribution center at: 3672 Mapleshade Ln., Plano 75077 (about 2 miles west of 75 off of the George Bush Toll Road).

You will see the address and map when you sign-up so you can put the address into your GPS.

HE WHO LAUGHS LASTS

My boss was honest with me today. He pulled up to work with his sweet new car this morning and I complimented him on it. He replied, "Well, if you work hard, set goals, stay determined and put in long hours, I can get an even better one next year."

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All volunteers need to arrive 10-15 minutes (8:30-8:45am) prior to the shift. Unfortunately, **anyone that arrives after 9:00am for the morning shift will not be able to participate in the volunteer shift.**

We only have a limited number of spots, so sign-up today! Children, 12 or older, are welcome. **Follow instructions on the eBulletin to sign-up on the North Texas Food Bank's website under "VOLUNTEER".**

After that time any slot not filled will be released to the public to fill the shift.

Make it a Family Volunteer Day!
JOIN US, come have some FUN, and help eliminate FOOD INSECURITY in North







Texas!

Happy Birthday*

Jill Jordan 9.29
Michelle Brown 10.01
Laurie Aldredge 10.03
David Goodson 10.04
Patti Schaub 10.04

*You are our RCPC Foundation Funders for this month.

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