



THE HUB

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TODAY'S PROGRAM

Program Chair of the Day: Chris Clausen



Myra Kirkland Guardianship in Dallas County

Myra lives in the small Collin County town of Blue Ridge, where she has served as Municipal Judge for the past six years.

She officially began her legal career in 1998 while attending the Texas Wesleyan School of Law when she began working in the law school's Social Security Disability clinic and in various internships.

While still in law school, she prepared and argued Social Security Disability cases, clerked for a family law judge, worked as a Public Defender on probation revocation cases, and prosecuted Domestic Violence cases for the Tarrant County District Attorney's office.

Myra graduated from law school in December, 1999, and was licensed in Texas in May, 2000. She then drove to Mississippi, took the Mississippi bar, and was licensed in Mississippi.

For the last 14 years, Myra has practiced law in Collin,

Dallas, Tarrant and Denton counties in the fields of guardianship, probate, family law, and personal injury.

She began her current position in the Dallas County Probate Court Investigator's Office as staff attorney and investigator for all three Dallas County Probate Judges in 2008. As the Probate Courts Staff Attorney and Manager of the Court Investigator's Office, Myra investigates and files guardianship cases for community referrals involving individuals who have no family or friends willing or qualified to serve as guardians or who have no estates from which to pay a private attorney.

In her spare time, Myra attended Texas A & M University in Commerce and obtained a Masters Degree in Social Work.

In her position as staff attorney and manager for the Dallas County Probate Judges, Myra has encountered many cases involving financial abuse, neglect, and exploitation.

COMMITTEE TIME

Update: RCPC Foundation Grant

by Ley Waggoner

The Rotary Club of Park Cities Foundation Fund of Communities Foundation of Texas generously made a grant to the Arts District Chorale to support an Apprentice program. Short version - all is going exceedingly well! Read on for some background.

There was a competition held to determine who the apprentices would be. Plans were made and executed to provide vocal lessons and mock auditions for the students to prepare for their real auditions for



schools such as Booker T. Washington HS for the Performing and Visual Arts. The students have also been provided the opportunity to attend a Dallas Opera and a Dallas Symphony Orchestra concert. One of the students (Matthew) has his audition this Saturday at Booker T. Washington.

Another (T'ea) is preparing for her audition for a newly written Opera Katrina, based on the terrible hurricane of that name that we all remember so well. They are auditioning African-American girls aged 9-12 and the vocal coach (Patsy Brooks) believes T'ea has a good chance of being selected.

So - thank you RCPC and its Foundation and members.



**Special
Evening
Meeting**

Thursday, Feb. 12

6:30 pm - Buffet and
Cash Bar

7:00 pm - Program
with speaker Dale
Hansen

\$25 per person

Reserve on the
RCPC website

Bring your spouse
and your friends

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

LAST WEEK

Presiding: **Eric Heitkamp**
 Invocation: **Mary Bishop**
 Pledge: **Nolan Duck**
 Introductions: **Ley Waggoner**
 Photographer: **Phillip Bankhead**
 Chair of the Day: **Scurry Johnson**
 Speaker: **Dr. Robert Haley**
 Program: **The Epidemic of Fear Following a Case of Ebola**



President **Eric Heitkamp** called the meeting to order. He recognized **Jina McDaniel**, particularly for her leadership in chairing the Ronald McDonald House Committee. RCPC has been serving dinner at RMCD House for twenty-one years. He also recognized PP **Marc Hall** has been providing meals for RMCD House for fifteen years and **Tom Swift** who chaired the Trains at NorthPark Committee. The proceeds of Trains at NorthPark helps to fund RMCD House.

Mary Bishop gave the invocation. **Nolan Duck** led the Pledge of Allegiance and "The Star Spangled Banner." **Ley Waggoner**, assisted by **Maryllyn Hargrave** with the mike, introduced our visitors and guests, including DG Bill Dendy. **Teri Thomas** introduced our Marketplace Advertiser of the week. **Janie Loveless** announced our Valentine's evening meeting on Thursday, February 12, with speaker Dale Hansen. She said that the member bringing the most guests would win a Dale Hansen bobble-head. There will not be a meeting on Friday, February 13.

PP **Jim Mills** asked us to think about the Fourth of July Parade we would like to see, and to send suggestions to **Barb Jeffries**. Suggestions for the Grand Marshall should also be given to **Barb**. President **Eric** awarded a Blue Badge to **Mark Neace**. DG Bill Dendy announced plans



Please remember ...

Clark Hodges whose father has passed away.
Fred Speno's wife who is undergoing treatment for cancer.

Please let us know your Joys or Concerns at- announcements@parkcitiesrotary.org

to join Helping a Hero in providing a home for a local veteran who was burned severely. He must have a home that is temperature controlled, with back-up systems and generators.



Scurry Johnson introduced our speaker today, Dr. Robert Haley, Director of the Epidemiology

Department at Southwestern Medical School, who spoke on the epidemic of fear that followed a confirmed case of ebola in the Dallas area. He said that heroic efforts were made to save the life of the ebola patient. Despite the isolation guidelines, two nurses contracted ebola, yet the family he lived with did not get the disease. He explained that there are five different strains of ebola, and immunity to one does not mean immunity to all of them. Before 2014 there had been a total of 1,716 cases, but since the beginning of December, 2014, there have been over 20,000 cases, with over 8,000 deaths. In Africa ebola spreads among people in three ways: among families who nurse patients at home, among health care workers who care for the patients in the hospital, and among those who embrace the body at the funeral. It is only spread through contact with diarrhea, vomit or blood, and the patient is only contagious when severe symptoms are present. The virus does not live on surfaces, in the air or in mosquitoes. At first about eighty percent of the people who got ebola died, but now only about forty percent do. In people younger than forty, only about twenty percent die. The treatment is to give vigorous IV fluids. He said a wise epidemiologist had told him that every epidemic has three phases: the disease, fear, and then meetings.



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
 - A supporting member of Rotary International

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EVENTS CALENDAR

February						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
1	M	M	M	M In	Mtg	
8	M	M Cn	M	M In	Mtg	
15	M Mc	M	M BD	M In Mtg		
22	M	M	M	M In	Mtg	

Get Involved!

AED = Defibrillator Training
 BI = Blood Drive
 BD = Board of Dirs. Mtg, 7am LaMadeleine, 75 & Mockingbird
 Cn = PCR Connect Event.
 CP = ChildsPlay Work Mtg
 D = District 5810 Event
 DH = Dentistry with a Heart
 FR = Family of Rotary Event
 F = Fellowship Event
 FF = RCPC Foundation Fund Mtg. See Cleve Clinton
 In- Interact at Hillcrest H.S. 8 am. See Tracy Gomes
 M = Meals on Wheels (Different teams on each day) See Patsy Watson
 Mentoring at Hillcrest H.S.
 Mc = Ronald McDonald House-See Jina McDaniel
 NM = New Member Event
 Pr = Program Committee Mtg
 Reading and Radio Resources See Jodie Ray
 SpE = Special Service Event
 Web-lite = on your computer
 Blue = Activities on own schedule

UPCOMING PROGRAMS



Feb. 6 New Members Introductions



Thursday, Feb. 12 Special Evening Program
6:30 Cash bar and Buffet (Reserve on Website)
Dale Hansen "Unplugged"



Feb. 20 Dr. David E. Daniel, President
University of Texas at Dallas



Feb. 27 Tommy Bain
Cotton Bowl Committee

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS *Sign up at www.parkcitiesrotary.org*

PCR Connect, Tues, Feb 3, 5:30-7:30pm, at Peggy Sue's BBQ in Snider Plaza. Bring friends, business cards. See Mark Kashar.

A few Directories are still available. \$10 per copy!

RI Foundation: \$100 (or more) Every Rotarian Every Year!

RCPC Foundation: \$50 (or more) every year when your name appears in the box below – or any time – or more than once!

Planning some Winter travel? Be sure to leave time to visit some Rotary Clubs. Make-up where you are – and report them on the website.

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The **Directory** is on line: Log in > Click on left side under My ClubRunner > View Club Directory or View Club Photo Directory. Other archives are at Club Documents

THOUGHTS ON ... ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

Parents

If your parents never had children, chances are you won't, either.

~ **Dick Cavett**

Parents were invented to make children happy by giving them something to ignore.

~ **Ogden Nash**

There is an expiry date on blaming your parents for steering you in the wrong direction. The moment you are old enough to take the wheel, the responsibility lies with you.

~ **J. K. Rowling**

The central struggle of parenthood is to let our hopes for our children outweigh our fears.

~ **Ellen Goodman**

The secret of dealing successfully with a child is not to be its parent.

~ **Mel Lazarus**

RCPC FOUNDATION

Our Funders for Next Week are

Lynn Surls
Tom Swift
Bennett Taylor
Teri Thomas
Mark Thomason

Proposed New Member

Meredith LyBrand-Drake
Classification: Health Care
Proposed by: **Lisa Amsberry**
2nd Publication

ROTARY CONNECTED

Linked In RI: www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=858557&trk=hb_side_g **RCPC**: www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=1248747&trk=hb_side_g

Interesting New Thread: Are you including the Rotary Youth in your Clubs?



Tweet of the week: Why does advocacy matter for making #vaccineswork worldwide? @pathtweets' Dr Neuzil explains: <http://ow.ly/l2eY2> #reacheverychild



RI: www.facebook.com/rotary
Dist. 5810: www.facebook.com/RotaryDistrict5810

Interesting New Thread: A summer program uses art and team building exercises to help Israeli, Palestinian and American teens see each other in a new way. Find out how: <http://tinyurl.com/lu9kon7>



RCPC has its own channel: <http://vimeo.com/channels/rotaryclubofparkcities/>

Miss a Meeting? Watch it Online!



RI has its own channel on YouTube offering a growing collection of videos and psas.



Check out or add to RI's Flickr group often, www.flickr.com/groups/familyofrotary/



<http://pinterest.com/rotary/>
RI has Pinboards on major projects.



www.statigr.am/rotaryinternational
See RI's latest pictures via Instagram.

President-Elect Announces His Theme for 2015-2016

RI Pres-elect K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran called his recent address to incoming district governors the "most significant moment of my life."

"All of you have been given so many gifts. And you have now been given this great gift: one year to take all your talents, all your gifts, everything that you are and can become --

and Be a Gift to the World," said Ravindran, revealing his presidential theme at the annual five-day training meeting. "You have one year to take that potential and turn it into reality. One year to lead the clubs in your district and transform the lives of others. The time is so short, yet there is so much to be done."

HE PROFITS MOST WHO LAUGHS BEST

with apologies to all of our Attorneys:

Jury Service: A man was chosen for jury service, but he very much wanted to avoid it. He tried every excuse he could think of, but none of them worked. On the day of the trial, he decided to give it one more shot. As the trial was about to begin, he asked if he could approach the bench.

"Your Honor," he said "I must be excused from this trial because I am

prejudiced against the defendant. I took one look at the man in the blue suit with those beady eyes and that dishonest face and I thought 'He is a crook, he's guilty, guilty.' So your Honor, I could not possibly stay on this jury."

The judge replied, "Get back in the jury box. You are just the kind of juror we are looking for - a good judge of character. That man is the defendant's lawyer."

Happy Birthday

Richard Jodry 1.30
Clark Hodges 1.31

