

Rotary

Club of Plano Sunrise



Club Meeting

Plano Sunrise
Meets at Norma's Cafe
605 W 15th St
Plano, TX
Time: Friday at 07:00
AM

Club Leaders



[Neal Norton](#)
President



[James Samuel Greif](#)
President-Elect



[Matthew Andrew Leask](#)
Secretary



[Richard Biggers](#)
Treasurer




[Douglas Bruce Cargo](#)
Sergeant-at-Arms



[Patrick Hite](#)
Rotary Foundation Chair



[Hilton Kong](#)
Service Projects Chair

 [Sharon Lewis](#)
Membership Chair

Birthdays

Douglas Bruce Cargo
August 6th
Richard Chron
August 11th
James Samuel Greif
August 11th

Speakers

LovePacs

We had a fun time at LovePacs, the shelving units we helped purchase were mostly assembled and added lots of shelf space for the organization. If you want to learn more about LovePacs, contact President Neal Norton.

Classification Talk

Classification talks give the club the opportunity to hear from members about their life story or a portion of it. [Read More](#)

Welcome

Are you a professional who wants to make a positive impact on our community and world? Our club members are dedicated people who share a passion for serving the community and friendship. Becoming a Rotarian connects you with a diverse group of people who share a common passion.

Feeding Penelope the Pig

We celebrate with a (possibly) humble brag about community involvement, family events or something else to contribute a dollar or more to Penelope the RotoPig. [Read More](#)

New Members

By Richard L Amato

We have a candlelight ceremony when someone wants to join our club. Our Membership chairperson, Sharon Lewis leads our ceremony. [Read More](#)

Paul Harris Award

The Paul Harris Fellow recognition acknowledges individuals who contribute, or who have contributions made in their name, of \$1,000 to [The Rotary Foundation](#).

Rotary established the [recognition](#) in 1957 to encourage and show appreciation for substantial contributions to what was then the Foundation's only program, Rotary Foundation Fellowships for Advanced Study, the precursor to Ambassadorial Scholarships.

New Member Alert

We publish the person who wants to be part of club for a week so members get an opportunity to know them, and so they can do the same with us. If there are no objections the Plano Sunrise Rotary board votes on that person the following week. At the end of one week, if no issues are raised, then he will be invited to become a new member of PSR (with a candlelight ceremony, of course).

PROGRAM FOR July 19, 2024

Speaker/Program for July 19, 2024 Meeting

Our guest speaker was Dr. Mark Smith, Provost of Collin College. Dr. Smith has been the Campus Provost since 2019, formerly the VP of Educational Services at Temple College, President of Cloud Country Community College, Assoc. VP for Distance Learning and College Director, Distance Education and Student Affairs at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College. Dr. Smith is a 20-year veteran in the USAF in Morse Code Intercept Intelligence and Computers/Radar Instruction/Supervision positions.

Dr. Smith serves on the Board of Directors at Baylor Scott & White Hospital in McKinney and a Past President of the McKinney Sunrise Rotary Club. He is an Assistant Governor for District 5810 this year.

Dr. Smith provided an indepth look at Collin College, its various campuses, programs and how our local college improves the lives and living standards for the community by providing inexpensive (\$67/hr) educational and vocational courses to enrich our lives and earning power.

You missed a great program today if you weren't present.

GUESTS

ADG Ms. BK Turner graced our club with her presence this morning. BK is the ADG for Area 3 of District 5810, covering both Plano and Plano Sunrise Clubs.

Secretary's Report

The secretary reports each week on how many members are in attendance. The Secretary also announces guests and who invites them. If members can not be at a meeting, they can attend another Rotary club meeting or help with community projects like LovePacs, Blood Drives, or Love Where you Live as a make-up. Just report the make-up to the secretary in an effort to perfect attendance in service to the community.

July 19, 2024, we had 53.7% attendance, down from our normal average.

Announcements

The Plano Sunrise Board met after our club along with Assistant District Governor BK Turner. President Neal Norton chaired the Board Meeting and we had 9 members present.

Blood Drives

Plano Sunrise Rotary is the leader in North Texas in helping Carter Blood Care with blood drive efforts.

Our Battle of the Badges Blood Drive is complete for this year and our club ended the Battle at St Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church where we were able to secure 76 pints of blood.

Service Projects

We will be needing volunteers to help with LovePacs in the very near future. Please contact President Neal Norton if you have available time to spend helping out with LovePacs, he can provide an estimated date of the next event.

Flag Work Day

We have Flag work days web we see that flags returned from a holiday require repair or replacement. Volunteers head to the trailer that holds the flags and equipment for the repairs on a Saturday morning, We will publish the next flag repair date a week prior to the event..

PROGRAM JULY 19, 2024

Our program July 19 was Dr. Mark Smith, Provost of Collin College. 16 Independent School Districts provide 1/3 of the student enrollment in the College, being the only 2 and 4 year degree college in Collin County. The College has major needs courses on Healthcare Sciences, Dental Hygiene, EMS, EMT and Paramedic programs, Diagnostic Medicine, Sonography, Hospital Management and Medical Coding, Medical Assistant, Pharmacy Tech, Physical Therapy Assistant, Polysomnography, Rehab Aide, respiratory therapy, surgical tech and sterile processing, among other medical programs. The college offers Public Safety and Fire and Law programs. At the Tech Campus in Allen, they have Automotive, Construction, HVAC, etc. The Campus in 2023 had 2,626 students enrolled. The College has Academic Allowance with other schools so students can move to more advanced degrees and receive complete acceptance of the studies at Collin College.

