

Rotary Club of Sugar House



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Thursday Noon - 2375 South 900 East

OPENING - 12:00 PM

Greeter	Wally Brown
Song	America the Beautiful
Pledge / 4-Way	Cassie Craig
Inspirational Thought / Prayer	Wayne Ursenbach
Guest Introduction	Margie Waltz
Sergeant at Arms	Barry Bank

OPENING SONG

Music: Craig Kaelin, Piano
Earl Jones, Conducting

Song: America the Beautiful

Oh beautiful for spacious skies
For amber waves of grain
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain

America, America
God shed His grace on thee
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea



WELCOME SONG

Song by Wally Williams (Former Club Member)

Welcome to Sugar House Rotary,
We're mighty glad you are here
We'd like to sing you a long song
But a wrong song might appear
So sit you down and make some
friends today...Right Here!

RCSH

KEN REID



Ken is a published author who shares his story of determination and drive. Injured in 1990 due to a drunk driver, Ken has written a motivational book *Choose a Lane* about his accident and his life afterwards. He is married with two children and lives in Syracuse, Utah.

CALENDAR

- May 28th – Rotary @ Primary Children's Hospital
- June 4th – RCSH Club Assembly
- June 11th – Rotary TBA
- June 18th – Rotary TBA
- June 25th – Board Induction

SUGAR HOUSE ROTARY CLUB 2014-2015

President -	Dan Sundahl
President Elect -	Don Bean
Immediate Past Pres.-	Harold Weight
Vice President -	Ken Simpson
Director -	Todd Suekawa
Director -	Kevin Jones
Director -	Larry Wright, M.D.
Sergeant at Arms	
& Chili Open Chair -	Barry Bank
Secretary -	David Baranowski
Treas./ Exec. Sec.-	Michael Tilton

ROTARY WISDOM

*Sacrificing your happiness
for the happiness of the
one you love,
is by far,
the truest type of love!*

ROTARIANS ADDRESS FOOD CONCERNS THROUGH SERVICE PARTNERSHIP

By Ellina Kushnir, RI Programs staff

About 805 million people around the world are undernourished and do not have access to enough nutritious food to lead healthy, active lives. One in every eight people goes to bed hungry each night, with the majority of undernourished people living in Southern Asia, sub-Saharan Africa, and Eastern Asia. About one third of food produced for human consumption goes to waste. To help combat hunger and malnutrition, earlier this year Rotary International renewed our service partnership with [The Global FoodBanking Network](#) (GFN), a global non-profit organization dedicated to alleviating world hunger through food banking. By working with partners like GFN who have long-standing expertise in providing secure access to food, we help address these concerns in communities around the world. This year:

- **Lebanon:** Four local clubs helped the Lebanese Food Bank [secure a new vehicle](#) that enables to food bank to continue distributing food to food banks throughout the region.
- **India:** The India FoodBanking Network worked with local clubs and partnering organizations to host a [large-scale food drive in 11 cities](#). More than 180,000 meals were distributed to low income families and orphan homes after the week-long collection effort.
- **Argentina:** The Rotary Club of Rio de la Plata, Argentina, generously [donated 20 freezers](#) to the Fundación Banco de Alimentos, GFN's local affiliate. The new equipment will help preserve perishable products at various food banks throughout the region.

Through our partnerships with food pantries, community centers, food banks, food producers, and other organizations, we're helping eliminate food deserts, repurposing nutritious and edible food, and empowering communities to find sustainable solutions to combat hunger and malnutrition. For more information about the Rotary-GFN partnership, [read this one page overview](#) and [contact GFN](#) to connect with a local food bank near you.

**KATHLEEN O'KEEFE:
 SHE QUIT BUSINESS FOR
 A REMARKABLE LIFE OF
 PUBLIC SERVICE.**



Kathleen O'Keefe

Photo: www.phnompenhpost.com

Intending to build a lucrative business career, Kathleen graduated from Harvard University in the early 1980's and joined a Boston technology firm. But she discovered that making big money did not appeal to her, helping others did. In 1987 Kathleen quit the corporate world and joined the Asia Foundation in San Francisco. This led her to Thailand and Malaysia, helping Vietnamese refugees, many of whom had risked their lives on rickety boats on the open sea, hoping to resettle in the U.S.

For five years Kathleen devoted herself to their cause, helping to free them from the camps in which they were held to reunite them with their families or with sponsors in the U.S. Then in 1992, Kathleen met a new challenge in Cambodia. Cambodia in 1992 was still struggling to recover from the Cambodian genocide of Cambodians committed by its former government, the Khmer Rouge (1975 – 1979).

Kathleen and her then husband Michael Hayes were determined to help Cambodia become a stable nation, one conducted with international governance standards.

To achieve this they began The Phnom Penh Post, Cambodia's first independent newspaper in 17 years. Kathleen and Michael housed the newspaper in their rented home. But conditions in Cambodia were primitive.

There were frequent power outages, no computer systems nor people who had ever used them, the house needed to be rewired, a publishing process needed to be established, as did ad sales to generate income. Reporters needed to be hired, and a news room established.

Having little money, Kathleen handled all these tasks, obtaining and repairing old computers and teaching people to use them, obtaining, repairing and installing a printing press, a backup power generator and creating functional phone lines. She recruited and/or trained reporters and established a newspaper distribution system, complete with ad sales.

For the next 11 years, the Post was Kathleen's labor of love. But as the Post became well established, she then tackled other Cambodian needs, working for human rights groups and for local community alliances.

Later Kathleen worked in Africa on a child-protection program and trained radio station personnel in Somaliland. But late in 2013, Kathleen returned home to the Boston area, where in 2014 at the age of 54 she passed away from pancreatic cancer.

Helping the Vietnamese boat-people and founding the Phnom Penh Post, which helped to secure freedom of the press in Cambodia, were great accomplishments.

But her family described her life best on her Boston Globe obituary when they asked people not to send flowers or gifts but to "please carry out acts of kindness to others, in memory of Kathleen and in keeping with her spirit and nature."