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## The Leawood Lowdown - Week of Dec 31st

*"The bad news is time flies. The good news is you're the pilot." - Michael Altshuler*

### In the News

Another great speaker donned the podium on the first Thursday of the new year. Erik Stafford gave Rotarians a history lesson and a virtual tour of the Underground Railroad. So much interesting information on how our streets were named, the significance of the Santa Fe Trail, and the Underground Railroad.

It was like taking a history lesson, but more fun! Check out his website [here](#).



### Other News and Upcoming Events

#### Other News and Upcoming Important Dates

- Jan 17 - REACH
- Jan 20 – Food Packing Event - We are having a Meal Packing Event on Saturday January 20th, 2024. We will work from 8:30am to 11:30am and pack 10,000 meals to be distributed in the Greater Kansas City area. Kathy Dull has reserved the event space at KW Partners. KW Partners is located at 6850 College Blvd, Overland Park, KS 66211.
- Jan 29 - Wine Affinity hosted by Chuck and Ester Udell (5:30 p.m.)
- Feb 7 - REACH
- Feb 13 - Project C.U.R.E. Service Day at 8:30 a.m.

#### Ray's Restaurant Review - [The Restaurant at 1900](#) - WOW!

This was an unforgettable meal - Lorna and I did make a reservation for New Year's Eve and experienced a very unique dining experience. This restaurant won the following awards - [JAMES BEARD 2023 SEMIFINALIST OUTSTANDING HOSPITALITY & JAMES BEARD 2020 SEMIFINALIST BEST CHEF: MIDWEST](#). We enjoyed a four-course meal (choices within each course) with dessert. As we were leaving, we received complimentary champagne and chocolate. Price - \$\$\$\$\$\$\$ !!!

### Guess Who's Coming to Breakfast?

The next hybrid meeting at Hereford House is Thursday, Jan 11th  
January Greeters: Sonya E, Jodi F, Phil G, Lisa H, Mel H, Larry H, Rob H

#### Jan 11th – Wellness for Africa

Janelle Feltz, Founder

Improve lives by providing access to quality healthcare and education in Africa.



#### Jan 18th – New Leadership

Consulting and Training

Ron Slepitz



### ZOOM ACCESS

Can't make it to the in-person meetings? Join Via ZOOM and keep up to date!

ALL Meetings are hybrid - being held in person and via Zoom. If you can't attend in person, [please join us on Thursdays at 7:15 am.](#)

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