



The Leawood Rotarian

The Newsletter of the Leawood Rotary Club

Celebrating Over 30 Years!

leawoodrotary.org

November 16, 2025

November 20:

The
Rotary
Foundation



EVERY
 ROTARIAN
 EVERY
 YEAR

Ken Selzer & Sonya Evans will speak about the
Rotary Foundation



Click link below to launch Zoom

[Launch Meeting - Zoom](#)

Meeting ID: 813 1042 7816

Passcode: Rotary

Invoker: Mel Hawk

Greeters: Lisa Harrison, Mel Hawk, Mary Jo Holland,
Del Karmeier, Don Keith, Roxann Kerr-Lindsey, Tom Koch

No Meeting Next Week!



Last Week' Meeting

Darren Lippe provided our program about famous Kansan, Osa Johnson. Osa was a famous adventurer during the 1930s who traveled with her husband to distant lands and brought back tales of the jungle and tribal people. We always learn something new from Darren!



November 12 - Women's Social

The women of Leawood Rotary met at the home of Arlene Ladegaard for a meal and social gathering sponsored by the membership committee. The smiles say it all!





Come Join the Fun!
LEAWOOD ROTARY
ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

Thursday, December 11, 5:30 p.m.

Hosts: Gary & Roxann Lindsey
12710 Melrose, Overland Park, KS 66213

A thru R – Heavy Appetizers
S thru Z – Holiday Desserts

Holiday Attire Encouraged
Please bring a bottle of your
favorite wine.

Please RSVP to Arlene Ladegaard
Arlene@designconnectioninc.com

See you there!

Holiday Fire Safety Showcase: November 22



Kick off the holiday season with a BANG! 🌟 Join the Leawood Fire Department for our Holiday Fire Safety Showcase Saturday, Nov. 22! 🌲 🔥

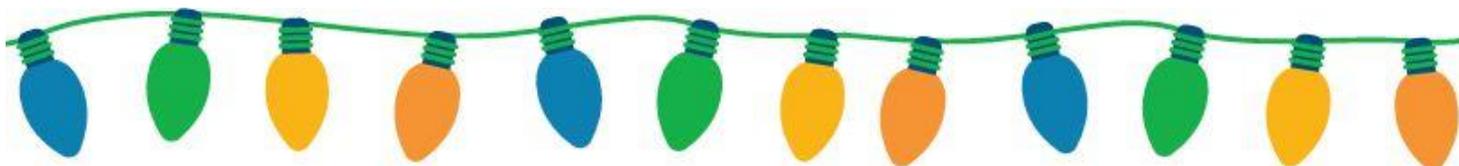
We're lighting up Leawood City Park (safely, of course!) with dramatic live demonstrations that you won't want to miss, including:

- 🏠 Christmas Tree Burn Show: See the shocking speed of a tree fire and how sprinklers are game-changers.
- 👁️ Cooking with Grease Demo: An explosive look at why water and hot oil don't mix!
- 💡 Electrical Safety: Tips to avoid disaster with cords and space heaters.
- 🔊 Sounds of Safety: Innovative smoke alarms explained.

Plus, enjoy free hot chocolate ☕, tour a real fire truck 🚒, and learn about the city's Christmas tree recycling program. This one-of-a-kind event is FREE and fun for the whole family!

- 📅 When: Saturday, November 22, 2025 | 2:30–4:00 p.m.
- 📍 Where: Leawood City Park, 10601 Lee Blvd, Leawood, KS 66206
- 💰 Cost: FREE!

Bring your family, stay safe, and have a festive afternoon!



Christmas Toy Drive

Support Kansas City metro families who have a child battling a life-threatening medical condition by donating new, unwrapped toys.

Wish List

- Barbies, dolls, baby dolls, Squishmallows, LOL Surprise toys, and Disney Princess toys
- Lego sets, superhero toys, Star Wars toys, Beyblades, Pokemon toys, video games
- Board games, card games
- Sensory friendly toys that light up or make sounds, kinetic sand, fidgets, etc.
- Craft or science activity sets (good for "tweens") - Example: Friendship bracelet kit, magic set, etc.
- Gift Cards for teens (Game Stop, Amazon, Ulta, Sephora, Starbucks, Dutch Bros, Vans, etc.)



HopeKids provides ongoing events, activities, and a powerful, unique support community for families who have a child with cancer or some other life-threatening medical condition. We surround these remarkable children and their families with the message that hope is a powerful medicine.

www.HopeKids.org

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Leawood Rotary 2026 Meal Packing Event

Save the date! Our meal packing event will be on Saturday, January 31st. New location details on the sign up page. Thanks to Kathy Dull for helping get the space. Please click on the link below to view the sign-up sheet.

www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4BABAC2CABF5CE9-60554957-leawood/45789999#/



Looking Ahead to December

Invocators for December

December 4 – Del Karmeier
December 11 – Don Keith
December 18 – Roxann Kerr-Lindsey

Greeters for December:

Arlene L, Terence M, Lisa M, John M.
David M, Brad M

Greeter Captains:

December 4 – Lisa
December 11 – John
December 18 – Terence

December Meetings:

December 4:
Genesis Mercado,
The Ella Initiative

December 11 & 18:
Holiday Auction

