



The Leawood Rotarian

The Newsletter of the Leawood Rotary Club

Celebrating Over 30 Years!

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December 11, 2025

December 11 Meeting:



Holiday Auction, Part One



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Meeting ID: 813 1042 7816

Passcode: Rotary

Invoker: Don Keith

**Greeters: Arlene Ladegaard, Terence Mack, Lisa May,
John Meier, David Meyers, Brad Moore**



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!

December 4 Meeting Recap



Genesis Mercado with the Ella Initiative spoke about ways their non-profit helps young women in South America and the United States with their community-based programs. They address the evolving needs of women in today's workforce, from access and opportunity to mental health and financial stability.



The club surprised Brad Moore with the Unsung Hero award for the 4th quarter of 2025.



Rotarians in the Holiday Spirit!

Rotarians Jake Schloegel, Jim Rawlings and Chuck Sipple delivered 107 winter coats to the Johnson County Christmas Bureau for neighbors in need!



Leawood Rotary Club volunteers work at the annual Johnson County Christmas Bureau's Holiday Shop on December 6, 2025.



My Gift to You

For those of you who are tired of hearing Mariah Carey this time of year, I offer my vocal renditions of ten holiday classics. I recorded these songs nearly 20 years ago, and used to burn them onto CDs (remember those?). A few years ago, I got smart and created a YouTube video. Now, I simply provide the YouTube link below so friends can listen on their computer or cell phone at their convenience.

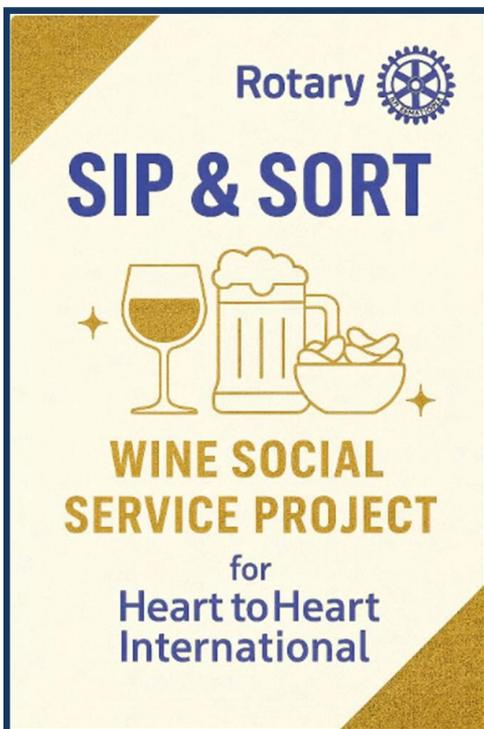
I don't get to perform nearly as often as I used to, but when I do it is often around the holidays, and usually these songs are in the set list. I hope you enjoy them!

Wishing all of you a joyous holiday season!



[Brad Moore Sings Christmas Favorites \(full CD\)](#)

Happy Hour Social & Service Project – January 8



Join us for a combination Happy Hour Social & Service Project.

- When: January 8, 2026, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- Where: Heart to Heart International - 11550 Renner Blvd, Lenexa, KS 66219
- Why: The Rotary Club will provide snacks along with alcoholic/non-alcoholic beverages as we pack disaster-relief kits.

Please RSVP to Darren Lippe by December 22, 2025!

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#/



JoCo Food Pantry – A Leawood Rotary Tradition



Jake Schloegel submitted our Leawood Rotary Club's semi-annual donation of \$1500 to the Johnson County Food Pantry. Jake is pictured here with Larry Kutscher, manager of the Johnson County Multi-Service Center.

Looking Ahead to the New Year!

Dec. 18 – Regular Meeting - Christmas Auction

Dec. 25 – No Gathering

Jan. 1, 2026 – No Gathering

Jan. 8, 2026 – SIP & SORT at Heart-to-Heart International facility
5:30-7:30 (Happy Hour + Meeting + Service Project)

Jan. 15, 2026 – Lunch Board Meeting at Leawood Justice Center
to discuss Strategic Plan. Time TBD – we have the space
reserved 11:00-2:00

Jan. 22, 2026 – Regular Meeting – Rotary Dictionary Project

Jan. 29, 2026 – Strategic Plan Roll Out – Rick/Roxann are the
headliners set to appear

February will return to our usual routine with Regular Meetings
the 1st 3 Thursdays & Board Meeting on the 4th Thursday.

