



## 2020 ROTARY NEW YEAR

### Leawood Rotary Newsletter

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## New Year Theme: Rotary Opens Opportunities

• RI President Holger Knaack’s theme for 2020-21, Rotary Opens Opportunities, asks Rotarians to create opportunities that strength their leadership, help put service ideas into action, and improve the lives of those in need.



### Save the Dates:

**7/16** Weekly Meeting Hereford House 7:15 a.m

**7/30** ZOOM Happy Hour: Quartinis: Dress for the vacation you didn’t get to take this year! 5pm.

**9/7** Labor Day Run: Sponsors needed, please be on the lookout or considering upping your donation

**9/26** Shadow Buddies Volunteers

**10/3** Annual Picnic at Sharp Farm

**10/10** Christmas in October

**10/29** Third Thursday Social at Mission Chateau with Lisa Katz

**11/7** Tree Planting Ironwood Park

### Board 2020-2021

*President– Lisa May*

*Past President—Rick Robinson*

*President Elect- Chuck Sipple*

*Vice President– John Meir*

*Secretary-Jim Rawlings*

*Treasurer-Gary Bussing*

*Sergeant at Arms– Jake Schloegel*

*7/9 Invocator– Ken Selzer*

*7/9 Vocational –Keith Drinkard*

*7/9 Presenter– Stephane Scupham with KC Film Office*



*New Member Spotlight! Welcome to David Lightner, owner of Lightbar Productions. David is a lifetime Leawood resident and former member of the Overland Park South Rotary Club. David and his wife have two daughters and when not working he enjoys travelling and marshal arts.. Next time you see please be sure to give him a warm Rotarian greeting. Welcome David!*



### Fellow Rotarians,

The Labor Day 5k is our major fundraiser, we are short on sponsors this year so we are asking that each of you consider other businesses to whom we may reach out for sponsorship. Please also think about increasing your donation so that we can hit our goal which is so critical to the good work we do within our community. This graph will be updated weekly as we progress towards Labor Day.

# 5 Year Strategic Priorities

To achieve the vision of Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation, we have set four priorities that will direct our work over the next five years.

## ROTARY'S STRATEGIC PRIORITIES AND OBJECTIVES

### INCREASE OUR IMPACT

- Eradicate polio and leverage the legacy
- Focus our programs and offerings
- Improve our ability to achieve and measure impact

### EXPAND OUR REACH

- Grow and diversify our membership and participation
- Create new channels into Rotary
- Increase Rotary's openness and appeal
- Build awareness of our impact and brand

### ENHANCE PARTICIPANT ENGAGEMENT

- Support clubs to better engage their members
- Develop a participant-centered approach to deliver value
- Offer new opportunities for personal and professional connection
- Provide leadership development and skills training

### INCREASE OUR ABILITY TO ADAPT

- Build a culture of research, innovation, and willingness to take risks
- Streamline governance, structure, and processes
- Review governance to foster more diverse perspectives in decision-making

## 2020-2021 Committee Chairs

**Public Relations** Lisa Harrison

**Youth Services** Gene Bartholf

**Vocational** Jonn Wullschleger

**Club Service** Paul Rueschhoff

**Foundation** Nancy Barber

**Community Service** Rob Hindman

**International Service** Chuck Udell

**Membership** Jake Schloegel & Mary Reed

## Rotary in the News

### Rotary provides \$20 million to help communities worldwide respond to COVID-19

**EVANSTON, III. (June 23, 2020)** — Rotary members throughout the world are working safely and diligently to assess and provide for urgent community needs as they strive to respond and recover from the effects of COVID-19 coronavirus.

While following social-distancing and health guidelines, they are providing comfort and hope to those feeling the effects of isolation and fear, and focusing their resources and solutions toward supporting frontline health workers and first responders as they battle this disease and save lives.

“As leaders in virtually every community on earth, we bring a unique combination of local knowledge and access to a global network of expertise and resources,” said Mark Daniel Maloney, president of Rotary International. “In the face of uncertainty, we are adapting to shifting needs to offer immediate help to people at a rapid pace. And we'll remain committed to recovering from this health crisis for as long as it takes.”

Rotary members are taking action to provide a range of solutions including handwashing stations and food to those unable to social distance in Kenya, lifesaving information about preventing the spread of COVID-19 in India, ventilators and protective gear for overstretched hospitals in Italy and vital social connections to neighbors who live alone in Bethesda, Maryland.