



# The Leawood Rotarian

The Newsletter of the Leawood Rotary Club

Celebrating Over 30 Years!

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August 3, 2025



## This Week's Meeting:

Abigail Swafford, Executive Director with HopeKids, an organization providing economic, emotional and community support to families with children age 0-18 who have cancer or a life-threatening medical condition.

### Our Vision

To restore hope and transform the lives of children with life-threatening medical conditions, their families, and the communities in which we serve.

### Our Mission

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.



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Meeting ID: 813 1042 7816  
Passcode: Rotary

## Invocators for August:

August 7 – Dave Anderson

August 14 – Mike Best

August 21 – Steve Black

## Greeter Captains in August:

August 7 – Tom Sullivan

August 14 – Dianne Stoddard

August 21 – Carlos Vides

## Greeters for August:

Ron Slepitz

Diane Stoddard

Tom Sullivan

Hemi Vats

Carlos Vides

Richard Wetzler



# July 26: JCCB Christmas in July Festival





# July 30: Service Day at Project Cure





# Pour Choices: Thursday, August 7 5:30–7:30 p.m.



**Chris & Paul, your  
“Leawood Wine Guys”**

The **August 2025** wine tasting of the We Make Pour Choices Society will be on **Thursday, August 7, 5:30 - 7:30 pm**. Steve and Christine Black will be our hosts (many thanks!) and the varietals will be **wines from Southern Italy - red or white**. The Black’s address is **5733 W. 146th Street in Overland Park**.

The Blacks are limiting this tasting to the first **25** people who register, so please get your reservations in early! If you plan to attend, please bring a bottle of Southern Italian wine, red or white (**chilled** if white), and wine glasses for each member of your party.

Please RSVP to Paul Rueschhoff if you plan to attend: [pdrueschhoff@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pdrueschhoff@sbcglobal.net)

## Mark Your Calendars:

**August 7: We Make Pour Choices, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.** Steve & Christine Black are hosting. 5733 W. 146<sup>th</sup> Street, O.P., KS

**August 16: District 5710 TEAM Training, 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.** Maceli’s in Lawrence. All Rotarians are eligible to attend this no-cost event.

**September 1: Leawood Rotary Labor Day Run, Leawood City Park**

**September 18 - 20: Rotary District 5710 Conference.** Hyatt Conference Center in Lenexa, KS.



**LEAWOOD ROTARY CLUB**  
**LABOR DAY 5K**  
**MONDAY SEPT. 1ST LEAWOOD CITY PARK**

STARTING AT 7:30 AM

📍 10601 LEE BLVD. LEAWOOD, KS

**REGISTER NOW: [LEAWOODLABORDAY5K.COM](http://LEAWOODLABORDAY5K.COM)**