

ROTARY Newsletter

Lawrence Jayhawk Breakfast Club

Eastern Kansas District 5710

September 24, 2020



JAYHAWK ROTARY FOLLOWS COVID-19 SAFEGUARDS



Jayhawk Rotarians are shown at their September 17 meeting at Maceli's, sitting six feet apart and wearing masks, except when eating. Other Rotarians "attended the meeting" via a Zoom call.

Members are listening to the speaker, **Jayhawk Rotarian Daniel Smith**. Daniel is director of marketing and resource development for United Way of Douglas County, which has moved to the historic Castle Tea Room, located at Massachusetts and 13th Streets in Lawrence.

AARP recently responded with a \$15,000 grant for a proposal that Daniel wrote to address a longstanding Lawrence need--more shelters and seating at bus stops. Daniel plans to involve local organizations in the shelters' design and construction. He is anticipating some creative and unique structures.

YOUR LEGACY: ROTARY'S PROMISE

Recently, The Rotary Foundation sent an email outlining the ways in which you can support The Foundation by leaving a legacy in your name or a member of your family. The Foundation also offers membership in special societies when you make an outright gift to the Endowment. These societies include:

Bequest Society membership is provided to those who have committed \$10,000 or more in financial support.

Major Donor recognition is awarded to those who have given \$10,000 or more outright.

Arch Klumph Society membership is reserved for those who provide \$250,000 outright or through cumulative qualifying gifts.

Legacy Society membership is provided to those who have substantiated a future gift of \$1 million or more to the Endowment.

If you would like additional information about legacy-giving or the societies, contact **Kent Beisner**, chair of the Jayhawk Rotary Foundation Committee.



AUGUST MEETINGS MADE UP

<u>Mtg Missed</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Make-up Venue</u>
Aug 6	Nicole Van Velzen	Board Meeting
Aug 13	Pat Brown	Trivia Committee
	Charlie Herman	Trivia Committee
	Brenda Kappleman	Trivia Committee
	Daniel Smith	Trivia Committee
Aug 20	No Make-ups	
Aug 27	Doug Houston	Board Meeting
	Devon Kim	Trivia Committee
	Jamie Lowe	Board Meeting
	Mary McKenzie	Board Meeting

ATTENDANCE for AUGUST

Aug 6	61.73%
Aug 13	67.90%
Aug 20	62.97%
Aug 27	64.20%

Average attendance for August **64.20%**

OCTOBER PROGRAMS

- Oct 1 Stan Rasmussen, "2021 Rotary District Grant Project"
- Oct 8 Brent Hoffman, "Justice Matters" (Jesse Brinson)
- Oct 15 Patrick Miller, topic to be announced (Lindsey Slater)
- Oct 22 John Christie, "Grandstand Glassware: A Local Business Success Story" (Mary McKenzie)
- Oct 29 Teresa Kempf, "Social and Trivia Night Preview"



Photo by Mary McKenzie

UNITY WITH DIVERSITY. In the midst of racial tension and different beliefs concerning safe COVID practices, Jesse Brinson (left) felt the need for unity in our community.

Jesse created the phrase "Unity with Diversity" to encourage people to come together in common unity with our diverse backgrounds.

Jesse, Charlie Herman, and Stan Rasmussen are shown, wearing their "Unity with Diversity" tee shirts at the Jayhawk Rotary meeting on September 17.

JAYHAWK ROTARY BYTES

The Jayhawk Rotary Virtual Trivia Night is scheduled for Friday, November 6, at 7:00 p.m. Look for upcoming details from **Teresa Kempf** and her committee.

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Pam Zicker, transition advocate for **YOUTHrive**, was the Jayhawk Rotary speaker on September 10. **YOUTHrive** is an organization that assists foster children after they "age out" of the foster care system at 18.

If you are interested in becoming a mentor or contributing a gift card, Pam can be contacted at 601 Missouri, Suite 5, Lawrence 66044, 785-218-2501, pam@youthrive.org.

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Mark Thursday, April 8, 2021, on your calendar. **President Stan Rasmussen** has set this date as **100% Attendance Day** for our club. Let's plan to reach his goal!

JAYHAWK BREAKFAST ROTARY BOARD 2020-21

President	Stan Rasmussen
President-elect	Mary McKenzie
Secretary	Sandra Wiechert
Treasurer	Jamie Lowe
Sergeant-at-Arms	Danny Freeman
Past-president	Pat Roach Smith
Board Member	Doug Houston (1 yr remains)
Board Member	Rod Nitz (2 yrs)
Board Member	Lindsey Slater (3 yrs)
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Newsletter Editor	Brilla Highfill Scott
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Club meets each Thurs, 7:00 am, Maceli's, 1031 New Hampshire

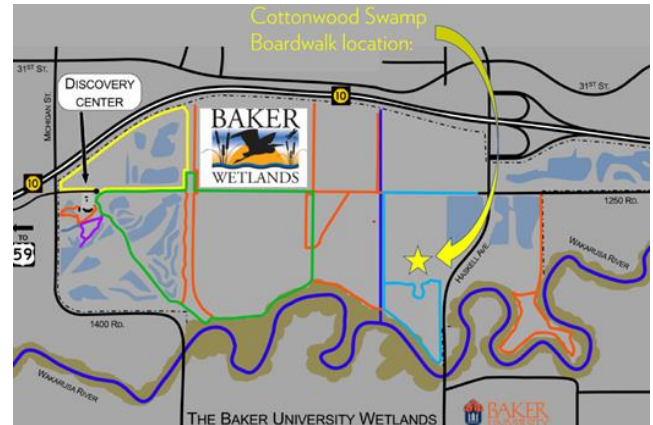
District 5710 Governor Faron Barr, Topeka South
 Area 2 Asst Governor David Beck, Downtown Topeka

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Yammer suggests:

**A chrysanthemum by any other name
 would be easier to spell.**

NEWS FROM YOUR CLUB PRESIDENT

~ Stan Rasmussen ~



ROTARY OPENS OPPORTUNITIES. On September 24, Jayhawk Rotary will be joined via Zoom by the Rotary Club of Ghana. Admitted to Rotary International on October 24, 1958, it was the first English speaking club in West Africa and currently has 57 members.

Above are photos of one of their club projects: Rotary Family Health Days are an annual three-day health outreach program that provides free health screening and is designed to benefit women, men, and children in selected deprived areas.

ROTARY VISION STATEMENT

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change--across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

2021 ROTARY GRANT APPLICATION. This year we have applied for grant funds to assist the Baker Wetlands in developing a new boardwalk through a forested wetland area.

Named the “Cottonwood Swamp Boardwalk,” our club will help finance and build a new one-quarter mile boardwalk through seasonally wet swamp/woodland habitat containing Eastern Cottonwood, Green Ash, Rough-Leaved Dogwood, Blackberry, and Woodland Sedge.

In a typical year, the Baker Wetlands host more than 1,000 students and more than 10,000 visitors of all ages. By providing this boardwalk, it will open new areas of outdoor education for students and families in our community, while also providing unique outdoor access to people with mobility challenges.

The photos above show the proposed project location, and an example of how the boardwalk may look.