

The War Whoop Weekly Bulletin



Kansas City, KS

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LAST WEEK AT ROTARY - President **Scott Martens** opened the meeting and led members in the Pledge of Allegiance. **Rick Behrens** provided the invocation, and **Scott Kaufmann** then led the group in singing "Happy Birthday" to attendees with October birthdays: **George Turner**, **Donna Severance** and **Fred Zimmerman**. In addition, Club members **Mark Dupree** and **Jen Wewers** are celebrating October birthdays. We also welcomed former Club member **Terry Woodbury** and **Rotaract Club President Matt Zayas** who joined our meeting again this week.

Phil Gibbs, program chair for the month, served as Master of Ceremonies for the Club's Educator Awards. Due to the pandemic and the school closures, we delayed this program from its usual May date. We were joined by principals and educators from area six high schools. The schools, principals, and this year's honorees are:

<u>School and Principal</u>	<u>2019-2020 Educator of the Year</u>
FL Schlagle High School Yolanda Thompson, Principal	Catherine Slocum
Sumner Academy Rick Malone, Principal	Sean Kepple
Wyandotte High School Mary Stewart, Principal	Josh Wikler
Bonner Springs High School Rick Moulin, Principal	Jennifer Stricherz
Turner High School Dr. Alan Penrose, Principal	Jennifer Thomas

School and Principal

Piper High School
John Nguyen, Principal

2019-2020 Educator of the Year

Taylor Weitner

Bishop Ward High School
Michelle Olson, Principal

Craig Krueger

The principals from each school introduced their respective educators of the year and explained the tremendous efforts of these educators and the impact that these heroes in education have on the lives of their students. All of the principals and honorees were in attendance except for Dr. Penrose and Jennifer Thomas, who were unable to attend due to a conflict caused by a last minute change in schedule. Each of the honorees received a Certificate (via e-mail) commemorating the honor and an e-gift card from the Club.

NEXT WEEK AT ROTARY - Our speaker will be **Dr. Jessica Dain**, Superintendent of the Piper School District. **Phil Gibbs** is our program chair for the month of October.

Condolences to Rick Behrens on the recent death of his mother.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Annual Club Fundraising Pledge letters have been sent to all club members. We would like to receive a response from every member committing to volunteer efforts even if you are unable to make a pledge at this time. Please complete and return your pledge forms as soon as possible. Thanks!

Pinot for Polio 2020 Fundraiser - **Rotaract Club President Matt Zayas** invited everyone to join the fun on Saturday, October 24th, at 7 pm, when our Club and the Rotaract Club of Western Kansas City host a virtual wine-tasting event! The evening will include wine education from a master sommelier, followed by a virtual auction and raffle. To purchase tickets for the evening, please visit:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/pinot-for-polio-2020-tickets-124129634077>

Karole Bradford reported that, as of Tuesday, Club members had contributed \$1,150 for **Hispanic Development Fund's Cambio para Cambio campaign**. This amount will be matched with a \$1,000 contribution from the KCK Rotary Presidents Foundation. The campaign closes on **October 15, 2020**.

Don't forget about the **District's Pints for Polio** virtual Zoom event which is scheduled for Thursday, October 22, 2020.



Where the Gate to Kansas Swings Open

The Kansas City, Kansas Rotary Club was organized on November 2, 1915 and received its charter as Club No. 195 in January 1916. Its members take pride in more than 100 years of Rotary service to the community and to international fellowship. From this Club have come five District Governors and two Directors of Rotary International. The Club's history is as rich as that of the community it represents.

Following the Lewis and Clark expedition which camped at the confluence of the Kansas and Missouri rivers on June 26, 1804, in present day Kansas City, Kansas, this area became an important center for fur trappers. In the following years, many Indian tribes were relocated here from the East. In 1842 the Wyandot Indians acquired land here and founded a town. During this period, and for the next five decades, this area became the main gateway to the inviting majesty of the sprawling Kansas Prairie and the American West. This was where the frontier began. Pioneers found river transportation, outfitters and the beginning of the Santa Fe and Oregon Trails. After the covered wagons, came major trunk railroads and barge lines.

In 1886, Kansas City, Kansas received its charter as an incorporated city, combining the towns of Wyandot, Argentine and Armourdale. (Rosedale was added in 1922.) Kansas City, Kansas is the site of the first industrial park in the United States, home of the prestigious University of Kansas Medical Center, and the location of the National Agricultural Hall of Fame and the nationally recognized Kansas Speedway.

Near the geographical and population centers of the contiguous United States, it is in the temperate latitudes at an elevation of 726 feet above sea level. The average rainfall is 35 inches. The average mean temperature ranges from 30° F in January to 80° F in July. The lowest recorded temperature was -23° F on December 23, 1989, and the highest was 113° F on August 14, 1936. Our city's population of 145,000 and area of 155 square miles rank it 158th among cities in the United States.

Welcome to Kansas City, Kansas Rotary and the vibrant community it represents.

Service Above Self

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Rotary Opens Opportunities

WHERE NEARBY TO MAKE UP ATTENDANCE

MONDAY

Bonner Springs (11:45am) ----- Twister Bar & Grill, 13100 Kansas Ave.
Overland Park (11:30am) ----- Doubletree Hotel, 10100 College Blvd.

TUESDAY

Gladstone (7:00am) ----- Fairview Christian Church, 1800 N.E. 65th

WEDNESDAY

Overland Park South (7:15am) ----- Deer Creek Country Club, 7000 W. 133rd
Leavenworth (Noon) ----- Riverfront Community Center, 123 S. Esplanade
KCI, Missouri (Noon) ----- Granite City Pub, 8461 NW Prairie View Rd.
Shawnee Mission (Noon) ----- Sylvester Powell Community Ctr, 6200 Martway, Mission
Olathe (Noon) ----- Hilton Garden Inn, 12080 S. Strang Line Road
Kansas City South, Missouri (Noon) ----- Margarita's, 13401 Holmes Rd.
Johnson County-Sunset (5:15pm) ----- Hilton Garden Inn Olathe, 119th & I-35
Waldo-Brookside, Missouri (5:15pm) ----- Waldo Pizza, 7433 Broadway

THURSDAY

Johnson County (7:15am) ----- Holiday Inn, 8787 Reeder St., OPKS
Leawood (7:15am) ----- Hallbrook Country Club, 11200 Overbrook Rd
Village West (7:15am) ----- Providence MC/Cafeteria Conference Rm, 8929 Parallel, KCK
Gardner (7:30am) ----- Gardner Community Ctr., 128 E. Park
Santa Fe Trail (7:30am) ----- Mid-Am Nazarene U, 2030 E. College Way, Olathe
Kansas City, Missouri (Noon) ----- The Gallery, 61 E. 14th Street, KCMO

FRIDAY

Desoto (7:00am) ----- Desoto United Methodist Church, 8760 Kill Creek Road
Shawnee (7:15 am) ----- Shawnee Town Hall, 11600 Johnson Drive
Plaza, Missouri (7:15am) ----- Grand Street Cafe, 4740 Grand Ave.
North Kansas City, Missouri (Noon) ----- NKC Library, 2251 Howell Street
Parkville, Missouri (Noon) ----- Park University Underground, Woodard Center
Lenexa (Noon) ----- Lakeview Village, Southridge Bldg., 14001 W. 92nd, 5th Floor

Please see the Secretary for the world directory of all Rotary Club's meeting times, days, and places.

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