

The War Whoop Weekly Bulletin



Rotary
Club

Kansas City, KS

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LAST TUESDAY AT ROTARY - President **Scott Martens** opened the meeting and led members in the Pledge of Allegiance. **Terry Woodbury** provided the invocation, and **Scott Kaufmann** then led club members in singing "You're a Grand Ol' Flag." **Matt Zayas**, President of the Rotaract Club of Western Kansas City, and **Allison McClain**, member of Village West Rotary and Development Director at Wyandot Behavioral Health Network, joined us for our meeting.

Todd Jordan, February program chair, introduced our speaker, **Randy Callstrom**, Executive Director of Wyandot Behavioral Health Network (WBHN), a family of organizations with the Mission Statement: "Healthy Minds, Healthy Lives, Thriving Community."

Wyandot Center for Community Behavioral Healthcare, PACES, RSI, and Kim Wilson Housing are all members of the WBHN family. In 2020, this network of organizations provided services to nearly 8000 adults and children, consisting of almost 134,000 individual service visits. Residents of Wyandotte County comprise approximately 94% of WBHN's clients, and 63% of the clients have Medicare or Medicaid, with 35% of WBHN's clients being uninsured.

Wyandot Center for Community Behavioral Healthcare (WCCBH) is the designated community mental health center for Wyandotte County, one of 26 such centers across the state of Kansas, focusing its work on the provision of outpatient counseling and psych services for adults. As a result of the Community Mental Health Act of 1963 (the last piece of legislation signed by former President John F. Kennedy) community mental health centers such as WCCBH have the goal of providing mental health services in the community rather than sending people in need of such services to state psychiatric facilities. While WCCBH deals with adults, PACES addresses the behavioral health care concerns of children and adolescents.

Opening in 2014, RSI is the first crisis intervention center in the State of Kansas, formed after the closure of the former Rainbow State Psychiatric

Hospital. RSI provides a sobering unit (up to 10 hour stay), a crisis observation unit (up to 23 hour stay), and a crisis stabilization unit (up to a 10 day stay).

Kim Wilson Housing devotes its work to finding affordable housing resources for those in need in Wyandotte County, especially the homeless and precariously housed populations.

In the past ten years, WBHN has also opened the Frank Williams Outreach Center (a place for homeless individuals to access mail and the internet, to take a shower and do laundry, and to access mental health services and other community resources) and Robert's Place (a children's emergency shelter, serving more than 450 children each year). With respect to Justice-Involved Behavioral Health Services, WBHN works closely with the DA, the courts, and law enforcement. As a result of this work, more than 90% of Wyandotte County law enforcement have completed Crisis Intervention Training, and WCCBH has a mental health co-responder embedded in the KCK Police Department.

COVID-19 has had a definite impact on WBHN and its provision of services. With the stay-at-home orders, overnight, the provision of services transitioned to mainly telehealth appointments. Due to remote learning, PACES has seen a dramatic decrease in the number of children it serves. Conversely, since June 2020, WCCBH has seen an increase in the number of adults to whom it provides services.

A copy of Mr. Callstrom's PowerPoint presentation is included with this bulletin.

Health Report: **George Turner** reported that his wife Mauri is making progress with her rehab after her recent surgery and health setbacks.

NEXT WEEK AT ROTARY - Our speaker will be **Geoff Jolley**, Executive Director of LISC Greater Kansas City. **Todd Jordan** is the program chair for February.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Rotaract Club of Western Kansas City is joining with the KCK Chamber and others to sponsor Brains & Brews, a Trivia Night - scheduled for February 25, 2021, at 7 pm. Tickets may be purchased for \$25, with net proceeds benefitting Royale Cohesive Networks' E-Ship Rising KCK cohort (a 12 week entrepreneurial program for youth in Wyandotte County). For more information and to register please visit the following link:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/brains-and-brews-virtual-trivia-tickets-138459890259?aff=ebdssbonlinesearch&fbclid=IwAR0-FHZNsNIRyUKRWu875wgkFku_-TOQvhD3OhZ-7FmPMjM0sc0h822J3EU



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.

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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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