

# 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. **Karole Bradford** provided a reflection for the invocation, and **Scott Kaufmann** then led club members in singing “Happy Birthday” to members with March Birthdays: Dan Duncan, Terry Robinson, and Hank Chamberlain. Club members also sang “Hey, Look Me Over.”

To kick off a month of programs in honor of Women’s History Month, **Mark Dupree**, March program chair, introduced our speaker, **Dia Wall**, Edward R. Murrow and Mid-America Emmy award winning anchor at KSHB Channel 41 Action News in Kansas City. Ms. Wall is originally from Texas and obtained her journalism degree in 2008, with an interest in both sports and news. Through her college internships, she was able to interview for both types of jobs and first worked as a host for the Dallas Cowboys before becoming an anchor and reporter at a station in Texas. She moved to Kansas City in 2015 to take an anchor role at KSHB Channel 41.

Ms. Wall began her remarks by sharing that she is passionate about equity. She cautioned that we must be careful about how we report or chronicle history and explained how she exercises that care in her role as a news anchor.

In her presentation, which she named “Listening to Women,” Ms. Wall emphasized several key points to follow so as to present an accurate reflection of people and events. First, “Perfection cannot be a prerequisite.” We should not require an individual or situation to be perfect in order for that person or event to hold its rightful place in history. Her second rule is “Age cannot be a prerequisite.” She cautioned against dismissing a person due to being “too young” or “too old.” She emphasized the need for everyone of all ages to band together because society needs cohesiveness to create change.

Especially important for women, Ms. Wall’s third rule is “Buy in to the vision.” She encouraged people to have the courage to take the steps necessary to follow their dreams and to minimize the amount of time contemplating, rather than pursuing, a vision.

One of Ms. Wall’s final points is “Don’t discount any roles.” She explained that everyone has a part to play and that every individual plays a role and has a voice that has value. She emphasized the importance of listening to others regardless of their places in society. Doing so allows a person to discover the significance of each individual and the worth each individual brings to the world.

Currently, Ms. Wall may be seen at the anchor desk during the news at 6 pm and 10 pm on KSHB Channel 41.

**NEXT WEEK AT ROTARY** - Our speaker will be **Sharla Smith, Ph.D., MPH**, a professor at The University of Kansas and founder of Kansas Birth Equity Network. **Mark Dupree** is the program chair for March.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Our **March Fifth Tuesday** meeting, on March 30, 2021, will be a **Virtual Bingo** party at 5 pm. More details to follow.

**Rotary International President Nominee Jennifer Jones** (2022-2023) spoke to the Olathe Rotary Club on February 24, 2021. If you would like to view a recording of her presentation, please visit this link: [Olathe Rotary Club Meeting w. Guest Speaker, RI President-Nominee Jennifer Jones - Zoom](#). Several club members who attended the meeting gave glowing reports about Ms. Jones’ presentation (which begins around the 24-minute mark in the recording).

On **March 11, 2021**, at 8 am, the Leawood Rotary Club has invited all District 5710 Rotarians to join their meeting when **Sylvia Whitlock**, former president of the Rotary Club of Duarte and the **first woman president of any Rotary Club in the world** (1987), will be the speaker. The link for this meeting is below.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85427531169>

Meeting ID: 854 2753 1169

**District 5710’s Gathering for Good**, a fundraiser for the Rotary Foundation, is scheduled for March 20, 2021, at 5:30 pm, at the Prairie Band Casino. Information on ticket and table purchase may be found on the District’s website. Rotarians may also attend the event virtually for free.



## *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. 65<sup>th</sup>

#### WEDNESDAY

Overland Park South (7:15am) ----- Deer Creek Country Club, 7000 W. 133<sup>rd</sup>  
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, 119<sup>th</sup> & 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. 14<sup>th</sup> 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. 92<sup>nd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor

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

### **2020-2021 Board of Directors**

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