

The War Whoop Weekly Bulletin

Rotary
Club



Kansas City, KS

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LAST TUESDAY AT ROTARY - On his birthday, **President Scott Martens** opened the meeting and led members in the Pledge of Allegiance. Happy Birthday Scott!! **Jay Dunlap** provided the invocation, focusing on faith, hope and love. We were also joined by a guest, **Beverly Russell**, who is the Director of Sales for the Hilton Garden Inn Kansas City, Kansas.

Terry Robinson, program chair for the month of April, welcomed some talented young women from area high schools. **Ken Davis** served as master of ceremonies for the day, as these young women made presentations to the Club to be considered for a scholarship to be awarded.

The following students spoke to the Club, sharing their personal stories, accomplishments, and plans and aspirations for the future:

Leslie Chavez Hinojos	J.C. Harmon High School
Kenia Ramirez	F.L. Schlagle High School
Jaleon Brown	Sumner Academy
Katerin Molina Peraza	Wyandotte High School
Jazmin Graham	Bonner Springs High School
Elizabeth Thang	Turner High School
Jennifer Obiesie	Piper High School
Lizbeth Martinez	Bishop Ward High School

Several counselors and principals also attended the meeting to support their students:

Lila Stone, Counselor, J.C. Harmon High School
Kaleena Viruete, Counselor, J.C. Harmon High School
Edward Franco, Counselor, F.L. Schlagle High School

Lisa Terrell, Counselor, Bonner Springs
Susan Wilson Yao, Counselor, Turner High School
John Nguyen, Principal, Piper High School
Polly Vader, Counselor, Piper High School
Mary Kate Kelly, Counselor, Bishop Ward High School
member Jay Dunlap, President, Bishop Ward High School

Finally, a huge thank you to our members who served as judges for this week's speech presentations, **Karole Bradford**, **Hank Chamberlain**, **Terry Robinson**, **Jen Wewers**, and **Terry Woodbury**.

NEXT WEEK AT ROTARY - We will host male students from several area high schools who will present to the Club in connection with our annual Scholarship Competition. **Terry Robinson** is the program chair for April. If you would be willing to serve as a judge for next week's student speeches, please contact **Rosemary Podrebarac**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

For **Community Service** opportunities, in honor of Earth Day (April 22nd), the Club is undertaking some area **Clean-up Activities**:

- **Rosedale Clean-up:** We have selected **this Saturday, April 17, 2021**, from 9 am -11 am, to clean up the Frank Rushton neighborhood. [Here's a link to register for the Rosedale cleanup.](#)
- **UG Adopt-a-Spot:** The Club has adopted Heathwood Park and will be cleaning up the park at least twice this coming year. The first clean-up will be on **Earth Day, Thursday, April 22, 2021**, beginning at 5:30 pm. Contact **Melissa Sieben** to volunteer.
- **Kaw Point Park Clean-up:** Clean-up and planting days are scheduled at Kaw Point Park one Saturday each month. The next Kaw Point Park Clean-up day will be **Saturday, April 24, 2021**, from 9 am -Noon. Contact **Ken Davis** to volunteer.

Our own **Karole Bradford** will be moderating a panel discussion on diversity in the healthcare workforce. The webinar, "**For Here, From Here - Healthcare Workforce Diversity in Wyandotte County**," will be held on Wednesday, April 21, 2021, at 3:30 pm. All members are invited to attend. Click here to join the webinar: [Join conversation \(microsoft.com\)](https://www.microsoft.com/joinconversation)



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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