

The War Whoop Weekly Bulletin

Rotary
Club



Kansas City, KS

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LAST TUESDAY AT ROTARY - Twenty-three members and guests gathered for a **Fifth Tuesday** social event at the home of **Greg Shondell** and **Sis Woods**. Despite the rainy weather, the group had a great time and enjoyed each other's company, as well as some tasty Joe's Kansas City BBQ. A big thank you to **Greg Shondell**, **Sis Woods**, and **Scott Kaufmann** for providing a wonderful Fifth Tuesday event!

Although the officers and directors for the 2021-2022 Rotary year were already sworn in by **Terry Robinson** at the Club meeting on June 22nd, new **President Jen Wewers** was able to present **outgoing President Scott Martens** with his Past President's pin and plaque at the Fifth Tuesday event. We also recognized **John Freshnock** for being named a **Paul Harris Fellow**. This year, **Phil Gibbs** also became a Paul Harris Fellow, and **Merle Parks** was recognized as a Paul Harris Fellow Plus. As an added bonus to meeting in person, Scott and Jen were both able to ring the Rotary bell!

Congratulations to the perfect and almost perfect attendees for the 2020-2021 Rotary year!

100% Attendance:

Karole Bradford	Scott Martens
John Freshnock	Rosemary Podrebarac
Todd Jordan	Greg Shondell
Jim Knight	Dave Skidgel

Jen Wewers

One Miss:

Ashley Adorante

Two Misses:

Bruce Schlosser

Four Misses:
Terry Robinson

In addition, **David Bluford** had 100% attendance for the past three quarters.

With the kick-off of the new Rotary year on July 1, 2021, all members once again have the opportunity for perfect attendance. Remember that you are able to make-up missed meetings anytime from now until June 30, 2022, the end of this new Rotary year.

During the 2020-2021 Rotary year, the Club experienced both highs and lows as we welcomed back former member **Terry Woodbury** but had to say farewell to long time members **Bob Kimball**, who died in April, and to **Bill Epperheimer** and **Bill Porter**, who resigned.

NEXT WEEK AT ROTARY - Our new **President Jen Wewers** will lead a Club Assembly. She plans to bring the Club up to date on the search for a new in-person meeting location and on her plans for this new Rotary year. Please bring your ideas and come ready to participate!

Many thanks to **Karole Bradford** and **John Freshnock** for serving as June program chairs!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The new **KCK Rotary Club Directory** will be released later in the summer. We are in the process of updating and correcting members' information. If you have made any changes in your contact information since the last directory or if you wish to change your photo, please forward your updated information or photo to Rosemary Podrebarac by **July 10, 2021**.

Please review and complete the **District 5710 Polio Survivors Survey**, highlighted in the May District Newsletter, and return by July 16, 2021. The survey and the article are available at this link: [District 5710 Survey for Polio Survivors and Caregivers](#)

The next clean-up and landscaping day at **Kaw Point Park** will be held on **Saturday, July 17th**, from 9 am - Noon. Bring your own work gloves! Also, Kaw Point Park will be the launch location for the **Missouri American Water MR 340** on **Tuesday, July 20th**. The sponsors need volunteers to direct traffic that morning from 5 am - 8:30 am. Please contact **Ken Davis** if you have any questions.



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 of the nationally recognized Kansas Speedway.

Near the geographical and population centers of the contiguous United States, Kansas City, Kansas 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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WHERE NEARBY TO MAKE UP ATTENDANCE

MONDAY

Bonner Springs (11:45 am) ----- Twister Bar & Grill, 13100 Kansas Ave.
Overland Park (Noon) ----- Overland Park Chamber, 9001 W. 110th, Bldg #150

TUESDAY

Gladstone (7:00 am) ----- Fairview Christian Church, 1800 N.E. 65th
Western Johnson County (5:30 pm) ----- Blue Moose, 10064 Woodland Rd., Lenexa

WEDNESDAY

Overland Park South (7:15 am) ----- 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) ----- American Legion, 410 E. Dennis Ave.
Kansas City South, Missouri (Noon) ----- RC's Restaurant, 330 E. 135th St.
Johnson County-Sunset (5:15 pm) ----- Hilton Garden Inn Olathe, 119th & I-35
Waldo-Brookside, Missouri (5:30 pm) ----- Waldo Pizza, 7433 Broadway

THURSDAY

Johnson County (7:15 am) ----- Holiday Inn, 8787 Reeder St., OPKS
Leawood (7:15 am) ----- Hereford House, 5001 Town Center Dr.
Village West (7:30 am) ----- Providence MC/Cafeteria Conference Rm, 8929 Parallel, KCK
Gardner (7:30 am) ----- Gardner Community Ctr., 128 E. Park
Santa Fe Trail (7:30 am) ----- Mid-Am Nazarene U, 2030 E. College Way, Olathe
Kansas City, Missouri (Noon) ----- The Gallery, 61 E. 14th Street, KCMO

FRIDAY

Desoto (7:00 am) ----- Desoto United Methodist Church, 8760 Kill Creek Road
Shawnee (7:15 am) ----- Shawnee Town Hall, 11600 Johnson Drive
Plaza, Missouri (7:15 am) ----- Grand Street Cafe, 4740 Grand Ave.
North Kansas City, Missouri (Noon) ----- NKC Parks & Rec., 1201 Clark Fergusson Dr.
Parkville, Missouri (Noon) ----- Park University Underground, Distance Learning Ctr.
Lenexa (Noon) ----- Lakeview Village, Southridge Bldg., 14001 W. 92nd, 5th Floor

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

2021-2022 Board of Directors

Officers

Jen Wewers
President
Karole Bradford
Vice President
Greg Shondell
Treasurer
Rosemary Podrebarac
Secretary
Jim Knight
Sergeant at Arms
Scott Martens
Past President

Directors

Ashley Adorante
David Bluford
Jay Dunlap
Mark Dupree
John Freshnock
Phil Gibbs
Todd Jordan
Jim Knight
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