

The War Whoop Weekly Bulletin



Kansas City, KS

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Happy Hanukkah!

LAST TUESDAY AT ROTARY - On Giving Tuesday, Club members gathered at Kinship Café in the afternoon for some coffee and treats and conversation. The group enjoyed the introduction to the holiday season! If you were not able to join us, be sure to drop by Kinship Café for a cup of coffee and a cookie or wrap when you are in the downtown area.



T.J. Roberts, who spoke to our Club the previous week, has worked to create a welcoming environment in the café. Kinship Café currently opens at 7 am and closes for regular business at 1 pm. In the evenings, Kinship Café hosts many community events,

including a recent conversation featuring Tyrone Garner, the newly elected Mayor of Kansas City, Kansas. Check out the additional photos on the next page to view the fellowship of the 5th Tuesday event at Kinship Café.

NEXT WEEK AT ROTARY - Our speaker will be Gunnar Hand, Director of Planning + Urban Design for the Unified Government, who will be sharing information about the GoDotte Mobility Study. **Melissa Sieben** is the program chair for the month.

Many thanks to **Rick Behrens** for a wonderful month of November programs focused on gratitude. What a fitting way to celebrate Thanksgiving throughout the entire month!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Don't forget about the Rotaract Club of Western Kansas City's "Christmas Around the World" event from 3 pm to 6 pm this **Saturday, December 4th**. The event is part of the Shawnee Christkindlmarkt at the City of Shawnee City Hall, 11100 Johnson Drive, Shawnee, Kansas.

Also, on **Saturday, December 4th**, from Noon to 4 pm, check out the **Holiday Market** hosted by **Stitching Change** at The Stables, 1303 Central Avenue, Kansas City, Kansas. You will recall that Rakmi Shaiza, founder of Stitching Change, spoke to the Club a few weeks ago.

If you are cleaning out your closets, the **Wyandot BHN - Winter Warm-up** could put your donations of new and gently used adult and children's winter coats, scarves, hats, gloves, and blankets, as well as NEW socks, to good use! Through December 17, 2021, you may drop off items at three Wyandot BHN offices (757 Armstrong, 1301 North 47th Street, or 7840 Washington Avenue). Cash donations are also accepted. The coats and accessories will be provided to individuals served by Wyandot Center/Frank Williams Outreach Center, PACES, RSI, and Kim Wilson Housing.

On Giving Tuesday, the Club received a thank you from the **Hispanic Development Fund**, thanking our members for the recent contribution to the HDF Scholarship fund. Also, the HDF scholarship application is now open, with an application submission deadline of February 1, 2022. If you know of any students who may be eligible for an HDF scholarship, please share this link with them: [Scholarships | Greater Kansas City Hispanic Development Fund \(hdfkc.org\)](https://www.hdfkc.org).

At its December Board meeting, the **Board voted to return to billing quarterly for lunches**. The lunch billing charges will be discounted at first and then increased in stages as we navigate our return to in-person meetings and investigate lunch options. The January billing statements sent to members will include a quarterly luncheon charge of \$65, which will be increased later in 2022 as we determine the costs of the meeting space and future catering costs.

Also, mark your calendars: The Club will not hold its weekly meeting on **December 28, 2021**, to allow members time to celebrate the holidays with family and friends.



Thanks to all who have returned their **Annual Club Fundraising Pledge forms**. As of today, 53% of Club members have returned their forms. If you have not yet done so, please complete and return your pledge forms as soon as possible. Thank you!

Just a reminder that you may **make up meetings** missed this Rotary year until the close of the Rotary year on June 30, 2022. If you have attended another Rotary Club's meeting or a Rotary webinar, please advise **Rosemary Podrebarac** to obtain your make-up credit.



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.

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