

The War Whoop Weekly Bulletin

Rotary
Club



Kansas City, KS

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LAST TUESDAY AT ROTARY -President **Jen Wewers** opened the meeting and led members in the Pledge of Allegiance. Offering a prayer from Mother Teresa, **George Turner** provided the invocation encouraging all to “do good anyway” and “be kind anyway.” Then, in honor of KU’s appearance in the Men’s Basketball Final Four this weekend, **Scott Kaufmann** led members in singing the KU Fight Song!

Karole Bradford welcomed some talented young women from area high schools and 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:

Asma Haji	J.C. Harmon High School
JaKayla Brown	Sumner Academy
Luna Marin Rodriguez	Wyandotte High School
Jazmin Romo	Bonner Springs High School
Alexis Gerber	Piper High School

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

Lila Stone, Counselor, J.C. Harmon High School
Jacquelyn Brown, JaKayla’s mother
Kelley James, Wyandotte High School
Liliana Rodriguez, Luna’s mother
Lisa Terrell, Counselor, Bonner Springs

Irma Alcazar-Romo and Joaquin Romo, Jazmin’s mother and father
Elisa Doran, Counselor, Piper High School
Sarah Lewis, Alexis’s mother

Finally, a huge thank you to our members who served as judges for this week’s speech presentations, **Karole Bradford, Ken Davis, Todd Jordan, Terry Robinson, and George Turner.**

Later Tuesday, a group of Rotarians gathered at **The Mockingbird Lounge** to celebrate the first **Fifth Tuesday** of 2022. The unpredictable KC spring weather cooperated, allowing for members to gather on the deck. Former members **Donna Severance** and **Frank Simonich** also joined in the fun! Many thanks to **Scott Kaufmann** for making the arrangements for a fun evening!

NEXT WEEK AT ROTARY - Once again, we will host a group of Wyandotte County High School seniors who will be making presentations to the club in pursuit of a **KCK Rotary Presidents’ Foundation scholarship**, this time hosting male students from area high schools. We are in need of members willing to serve as judges on one or both of those dates. Please let **Rosemary Podrebarac** know if you would be willing to serve as a judge.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Thanks to all who contributed to the basket which our Club donated to the District’s Gathering for Good event last weekend. The goal for the silent auction was to raise \$5,000, but with all the generous donations and active bidders, the District was able to raise \$7,525!

Volunteer Day! The Club has scheduled a volunteer project at **Cross-Lines Community Outreach** on **Thursday, April 14, 2022**, at 2 pm. We will be working in the food pantry that day. Please contact **David Bluford** or **Rosemary Podrebarac** to volunteer.

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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