

# The War-Whoop

Kansas City, Kansas Rotary Club's Weekly Bulletin

Club Meets Every Tuesday at Noon at the Hilton Garden Inn

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**LAST WEEK AT ROTARY-** On National Teacher Appreciation Day, our Rotary Club celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week and honored area educators. Principals from the area high schools introduced each school's selected Educator of the Year and described that individual's contributions to education and dedication to the success of the school's students. **Jen Wewers** served as program chair for the day, and KCK Rotary presented the following teachers with plaques commemorating the day:

Stephanie Graham	JC Harmon High School
Andrew Turner	FL Schlagle High School
Karri Whitney	Sumner Academy
Tyler Sisco	Washington High School
Shelley Madrigal	Wyandotte High School
AJ Hill	Bonner Springs High School
Jessica Thompson	Turner High School
Eric Mabie	Piper High School
Kevin O'Brien (unable to attend)	Ward High School

President **Melissa Sieben** opened the meeting, **Jen Wewers** gave the invocation, and **Ken Davis** introduced our visitors. Members sang "Happy Birthday" to **Phil Gibbs**, **Jim Knight**, and **Karla Nichols** (in absentia), who have birthdays in May.

President **Melissa** officially presented Secretary **Jim** with a medallion for 50 years of service to our Rotary Club, which honor was given at the District meeting.

**Paul Harris Drawing - Greg Shondell** won the right to draw for the joker last Tuesday. **Greg** (with Jim drawing on his behalf) did not draw the joker, and we will begin with **\$19.00** for the next drawing, which will occur on May 21<sup>st</sup>.

**NEXT WEEK AT ROTARY –** The annual Mayor's State of the Unified Government Address will be held next Tuesday, in the Wyandot Rooms on the lower level of the Reardon Center. This major event requires a reservation. Members will not be billed separately for the luncheon, but guests will be billed at \$26.00. Reservations for both members and guests must be sent to **Rosemary** or **Jim** by today, May 10<sup>th</sup>.

The event officially begins at 11:30 am, and so Rotarians are advised to arrive early so that everyone can begin lunch before the formal program begins at Noon. The event flyer is included with this bulletin.

We are in need of Rotarian volunteers to assist with the event. If you are able to assist next Tuesday, please let **Rosemary** or **Jim** know as soon as possible. We are requesting that volunteers arrive at 11 am. Volunteers will be asked to guide guests to their assigned tables or open seating, to check-in guests, and to receive payments from attendees.

**Giving the Basics – May Healthy Teeth Drive –** During May, our Rotary Club will be collecting toothpaste and dental floss for Giving the Basics. Teresa Hamilton, Executive Director of Giving the Basics, will be our speaker on May 28<sup>th</sup>. Please bring your donations to our May Rotary meetings and leave them at the back table. Items collected will be presented to Ms. Hamilton on May 28<sup>th</sup>.

**ROSTER BOOK-** It is that time of the year to start thinking about any changes on YOUR roster page. **Greg Shondell** will be available for taking pictures on May 21<sup>st</sup> and May 28<sup>th</sup>. Please check your roster page and make sure that all the information on it is correct and up to date. Especially check your email address as many addresses change during the year. The secretary is trying to get an early start this year. The deadline for changes to your roster book page is June 14<sup>th</sup>.



*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 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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**BE THE INSPIRATION**

**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>  
Johnson County-Sunset (5:15pm) ----- Hilton Garden Inn Olathe, 119<sup>th</sup> & I-35

**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) ----- Downs Syndrome Guild, 5960 Dearborn, Mission  
Olathe (Noon) ----- Hilton Garden Inn, 12080 S. Strang Line Road  
Kansas City South, Missouri (Noon) ----- Jess & Jim's, 517 E. 135<sup>th</sup> St.  
Waldo-Brookside, Missouri (5:15pm) ----- Waldo Pizza, 7433 Broadway

**THURSDAY**

Johnson County (7:15am) ----- Clarion Hotel, 12601 W. 95<sup>th</sup>, Lenexa  
Leawood (7:15am) ----- Hallbrook Country Club, 11200 Overbrook Rd  
Village West (7:15am) ----- Famous Dave's, 1320 Village West Pkwy., KCK  
Gardner (7:30am) ----- Gardner Community Ctr., 128 E. Park  
Santa Fe Trail (7:30am) --- Mid-Am Nazarene U, 2030 E. College Way, Campus Ctr., 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 (7:15am) ----- 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

Meeting make ups can be made 14 days before or after the missed meeting.  
Please see the Secretary for the world directory of all Rotary Club's meeting times, days and places.

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