

The Rotary Wheel

P.O. BOX 4376, OLATHE, KS 66063

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OLATHE ROTARY CLUB

District 5710 Club 1625



Days of Wine and Rotary, Saturday, May 6th, 6:00 pm

Olathe Rotary Speakers/Events

Apr 05 Spring Photo Gallery and Photography Tips, Rotarian Jerry Hirt

Apr 12 Early Childhood Education Nancy Keel and Isabel Guterres/

**Meeting held at:
Olathe Parents as
Teachers,
315 N. Lindenwood**

Apr 19 Jo Co Edu and Research Triangle (JCERT) Jason Osterhaus

Apr 26 Spring/Summer Lawn and Garden Tips, Jerry Moore

May 06 **Days of Wine and Rotary, Ball Conference Center , 6:00 p.m.**

Speaker Chair

Vanessa Vaughn West

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MidAmerica Nazarene University Hosts Olathe Rotary Weekly Meeting

Wednesday, March 29th, Olathe Rotarians met at the MidAmerica Nazarene University Bell Cultural Events Center to learn about past, current, and future endeavors of MNU.



Above, MNU President since Jan 2012, Dr. David Spittal, shares with Rotarians the University's commitment to excellence, service and leadership, as well as the excitement surrounding the 50th Anniversary of MNU.



Left, Dr. Jon North, Vice President for University Advancement and past Olathe Rotary Club member, discussed the many successes of MNU including the great number of MNU Alumni

working in leadership roles around the world, such as Clifton Pemble, current President and CEO of Garmin.



Our Wednesday meeting included a delegation of 20 students and 2 teachers from Kyoai Gakuen, located in Maebashi, Japan. Kyoai Gakuen has partnered with the Olathe Schools since 2000. Delegations from the Olathe High Schools travel to Japan and home-stay in Maebashi on even numbered years. The students from Kyoai Gakuen were hosted by families of Olathe North-

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Olathe Rotary Club Officers and Board

7/1/2016 to 6/30/2017

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1st of 2 year term

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1st of 2 year term

west High School where the Japanese program is now housed.

Prior to the partnering of our two schools, Olathe and Maebashi established a Friendship City relationship marked by the gift of over 400 cherry trees from Maebashi West Rotarian, Mr. Akio Fukushima. However, it all began in 1993, when the Olathe Rotary and Maebashi West Rotary Clubs established a partnership offering student exchanges each summer. Periodic adult exchanges have also been enjoyed. These meaningful exchanges deepen our international friendships and enhance cultural understanding for our students, families, and citizens, and provide a highlight in our lives each visit.

Olathe Rotary Club Foundation Raffle

Sell/purchase a ticket and receive a Buy One/Get One Free Entrée for Johnny's Tavern, Ridgeview and K10

Sell/purchase 10 tickets qualifies for monthly drawing/prizes

All tickets will be placed in drawing for Grand Prize May 6th, at Days of Wine and Rotary \$5000 Vacation Voucher!

Thank you for supporting our Olathe Rotary Club Foundation.

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Olathe Rotary Club Presents The 8th Annual Days of Wine and Rotary

Saturday, May 6th, 6:00 p.m.

Ball Conference Center
21350 W. 153rd St., Olathe, KS 66061

Live and Silent Auction
Wine, Beer, and Good Eats!!!!



Helping Kids, One Child At A Time

Deb's House and Elizabeth's Kids

If the world was fair, none of the children living in Deb's House would be there. Deb Murphy-Scheumann opened the house in 2000 for babies waiting on paperwork to be completed, that would lead them to adoptive homes in the Kansas City Area. But when the government of Romania closed international adoption in 2003, the children were left with no place to go. So, for the past 13 years, a small group of devoted friends, has been raising funds to raise the kids together in that temporary house that, out of necessity, became a home. When Deb Murphy-Scheumann became extremely ill, Elizabeth Alex became their cheerleader and support system. With no government assistance from Romania, all funds are raised here. Friends of Deb's house provide everything from milk and eggs to cabbage and meat, to toothpaste, water, electricity, and heat.

Kid'sTLC

In 2017, KidsTLC is celebrating 45 years devoted to transforming lives of children and families in our community. Located in Olathe, Kansas, KidsTLC offers residential psychiatric treatment, outpatient behavioral health, homeless outreach to teens, autism and parent support programs. Your support helps transform times of crisis into lives full of hope and joy.

Inclusion Connections

Through advocacy, education, activities and conversation Inclusion Connections (IC) sheds light on the needs of local youth with developmental disabilities and works to improve their lives. Using a peer mentorship and leadership model, IC trains young people to advocate for and serve those in need. IC works with businesses, organization, leaders and community members to build a more inclusive and disability-friendly community.

Olathe Public Schools Foundation Fund-A-Need Program

Times are tough for our schools today. The Olathe Public Schools Foundation's Fund-a-Need program allows supporters of public education to browse through grant projects posted by teachers. Through a crowd-funding application, individual donors can support any part or all of a teacher's grant proposal. It's a great way to support our teachers and students.

Evergreen Living

Our mission at Evergreen Community of Johnson County is to provide the best possible long-term care services to the individuals we serve, including residents with limited assets. At Evergreen, we embrace a person-directed care philosophy. The core values of person-directed care are the choice, dignity, respect, self-determination, and purposeful living. In our community, you will not only see the difference but feel it. Evergreen Community is where life happens and kindness matters.

Woodland Charities

Dozens of medical teams travel to Guatemala and Panama every year to impact health. They are actively working with local groups (like Olathe Rotary), schools, and officials to address several community-health concerns like contaminated water.

Olathe Rotary Club Foundation

The "Olathe Rotary Club Foundation" was formed in 2007 as a non-profit corporation with a tax-exempt status pursuant to Internal Revenue Code 501(C)(3) to encourage charitable, educational, scientific, and literacy giving in our local community as well as in our state, nation, and world.

A Few Teaser Auction Items For You!

Tickets to Disneyland
Autographed KU Basketball
Football Autographed by Will Shields
KC Royals Tickets
Gift Cards to Lots of Local Restaurants
Lake of the Ozarks home-live auction
South African Safari-live auction
Garmin Fitbit
Plaque Autographed by Country
Star, Darius Rucker
Will and Trust Services Donated
by George Schlagel

For 2017 Sponsorships and Days and Wine and Rotary
Tickets, go to:

www.thedaysofwineandrotary.com

Please direct sponsorship and ticket questions to
Jason Armstrong or Larry Rinne

Dom Perignon Sponsors-\$10,000, Cabernet Sponsors-\$5000,
Merlot Sponsors-\$2500, Chardonnay Sponsors-\$1000,
Chablis Sponsors-\$500, Shiraz Sponsors-\$250,
Elizabeth's Kids Sponsorship-\$200

Gala Tickets \$50 prior to May 6th/\$60 if purchased May 6th

HELP! Jason Mangrum and the Days of Wine and Rotary
team are still on the lookout for great live auction items!