# East Wichita Rotary News

# ROTARY NOTARY



## **Member Birthdays:**

Stewart Crow	1/28
Deik Scram	2/1
Alex Kruse	2/2
Drew Rooks	2/9

### **At Rotary Today:**

Greeter: Greg Ek

Invocation, Flag Salute, and Four-way test:
Chris Whitney

**Special Guests:**Nate Johnson

Photography: Ric Wolford

#### Rotary Anniversaries:

MEMBER: 39 years Tom Church—37 years (3 with EWR) Eileen Kludt—10 years Richard Samaniego—10 years Dane Estok—3 years

Marc Campbell—CHARTER

## Wedding Anniversaries:

Anne & Seth Schneider—6 years Matt & Jessica Leavitt—4 years

### **Quote of the Week:**

The secret of getting ahead is getting started.

- Mark Twain

# HOW HEARTSPRING HELPS FAMILIES BY HELPING KIDS

Tristen Moore is the CARE (Community Awareness, Resources and Education) Program Coordinator for Heartspring. From an early age she has had a heart for serving people with autism. Her younger brother, Trent, has autism and requires constant supervision. Tristen is his caregiver two days a week.



ne of the questions frequently asked of Tristen Moore is "Why are we seeing so many more cases of autism today than a generation or two ago?"

The answer is complex. First, some background statistics. Researchers began tracking the number of cases of autism since 2000. At that time, one in 150 children were diagnosed with autism. Sixteen years later, in 2016, one in 54 children were diagnosed. (Source: CDC Report quoted in NBC News online story Jan 25, 2023 by Aria Bendix).

Tristen explained that our understanding of what autism is has led to an increase in the numbers. Also responsible: moving diagnoses such as Asperger's Syndrome (think

of Sheldon in "The Big Bang Theory") to the autism spectrum disorder. These two factors provide at least a partial explanation for the increase in numbers.

Other factors may well be genetic and environmental. One of the complicating factors about autism is that there is no medical test to diagnose it. There's no spit test, blood test, or even brain scan that can identify the illness.

To our speaker, what's certain is that with help, many children living with autism can learn to communicate and improve their social behavior. That's where she and Heartspring come in.

Heartspring has three program divisions. First is a

residential program where students from all over the U.S. with complex developmental disabilities live on campus.

Second is an outpatient program that includes audiology, occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech, behavioral health, and ABA (Applied Behavioral Analysis).

Last, Heartspring offers family services and community outreach programs such as the CARE program. Some services are free of charge and others are low-cost. To help families that can't afford services, Heartspring hosts an annual "Light Your Heart" gala. This year's gala will take place on Saturday, February 25 at the Wichita Marriott. Tickets are \$125 apiece. All proceeds go to Heartspring. For more information, visit lightyourheart.org.

### **Club Announcements:**

The AmazonSmile charitable giving program is being discontinued. All purchases made between now and **February 20** will continue to benefit the East Wichita Rotary Foundation. If you're signed up to support AmazonSmile and are considering making an Amazon purchase in the next few weeks, please place your order by February 20.

Greeters and prayer leaders are needed for most meetings between now and the end of our Rotary year, which is June 30. Please look for an available time slot and sign up at Kim's table at our next meeting.

Chris Whitney is looking for a Director of Finance for Century II. It's an amazing opportunity—please check out the next two pages of the newsletter for the details.

# **Congratulations!**

To **Evan Kaufman** and his wife Shannon. Their third child, Eli, was born on December 28, 2022. Mom, Dad, and baby Eli are all doing well.

#### **Next Week:**

NO MEETING on Wednesday, February 1. We'll see you back at the Wichita Country Club on Wednesday, February 8.

# MORE AT ROTARY TODAY

Scott Hampel brought us this week's Member News. It's been a longstanding club tradition to highlight what our members do when they're out and about in the community.





Every so often we get to enjoy dessert as part of the delicious buffet at the Wichita Country Club. Photographer extraordinaire and dessert lover Ric Wolford took this photo of the chocolate cake that we enjoyed at our January 18 meeting. It's just one of the many perks of being a member of EWR!

Here is our cheerful EWR President **Dane Estok** sharing a big smile for all of us.
Dane will celebrate his third anniversary as a member of our club on February 7. Thanks for jumping in and taking on a leadership role so early in your time with us, Dane!







**Job Title:** Director of Finance

**Department:** Finance

**Reports To:** General Manager **FLSA Status:** Salaried Exempt

### **Summary:**

Plans and directs all aspects of financial and accounting activities at the facility through subordinates and supervisors. Help to facilitate the optimum efficiency, maximize profits and provide exceptional customer service for the facility.

# **Essential Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Develop and implement facility goals and priorities relating to financial management, budget, accounting, purchasing, and/or payroll in compliance with State and Federal law, and policies and procedures.
- Monitor ASM Global compliance with all provisions of the management contract.
- Review all contracts for client, events, subcontractors, food and beverage or concessionaires.
- Review and/or prepares event settlements.
- Review and executes all checks and deposits; reviews daily cash receipts and disbursements.
- Monitor and projects monthly cash flow; works closely with the City for operational funding.
- Oversees the accounting and follows proper purchasing protocols for all CIP projects and works closely with the City to ensure all required documentation is maintained.
- Implement facility policies and goals in accordance with the management contract, client's objectives, and corporate policy.
- Meet with department heads to review monthly financials and discuss budget vs. actual results.
- Assist in the development of long-range plans and program objectives in accordance with the management contract and corporate policy.
- Ensure all codes, laws, ordinances, policies, procedures, risk management, safety precautions, rules, regulations and emergency procedures are followed.
- Prepare the annual financial budget and capital project budget.
- Establish and maintain contact with booking agents, promoters, event organizers and others within the industry to encourage continual and regular use of the facility.
- Conduct post-event operational and financial review and analysis
- Work extended and/or irregular hours including nights, weekends and holidays.
- Prepares financial statements for the Client and ASM Global Corporate, and other financial reports, including monthly statements, Annual Budget and Annual Report.
- Directs internal and external audits involving review of accounting and administrative controls.
- Coordinates preparation of Client or external audit materials and financial reporting; implements recommendations of Client as requested
- Presents monthly financial statements to client in a clear, concise manner that is easily understood.
- Serve as Manager on Duty for various events.
- Other duties as assigned.

# **Supervisory Responsibilities:**

Manages and supervises the finance department and is responsible for the overall direction, coordination, and evaluation of the finance department. Carries out supervisory responsibilities in accordance with ASM Global's policies and applicable laws. Responsibilities include interviewing, hiring, and training employees; planning, assigning, and directing work; appraising performance; rewarding; disciplining employees in conjunction with Human Resources; addressing complaints and resolving problems.

### **Qualifications:**

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

### **Education and/or Experience:**

- B.S. in Accounting or Finance from a four-year college or university
- 5 to 7 years experience in public accounting and/or financial management at a supervisory level or as department head
- Minimum of five (5) years' industry experience with at least three (3) years in management function of an arena, convention center or stadium preferred.

# **Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:**

- Extensive knowledge of general and cost accounting.
- Excellent math skills; high aptitude for figures.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills and organizational ability.
- Ability to work in a fast-paced environment with a variety of interruptions.
- Ability to work with and maintain highly confidential information required.
- Effective supervisory skills.
- Possess skills and experience in contract negotiation, business law, union contracts, purchasing procedures, and supervising personnel.
- Engage in much decision making that is generally governed by procedure and guided by policy.
- Operate a personal computer using Microsoft Office including Outlook, Word, Excel and/or other standard office equipment.
- Follow oral and written instructions and communicate effectively with others in both oral and written form.
- Organize and prioritize work to meet deadlines. Work effectively under pressure and/or stringent schedule and produce accurate results.
- Maintain an effective working relationship with clients, employees, exhibitors, patrons and others encountered in the course of employment.
- Be licensed and insured to operate a motor vehicle in the United States.
- Extensive knowledge of SAGE accounting software and ADP payroll processing preferred.

## Certificates, Licenses, Registrations:

CPA is preferred.

### **Other Qualifications:**

- Ability to prioritize multiple projects and meet strict deadlines.
- Ability to work under minimal supervision.
- Ability to work flexible hours in addition to normal business hour.
- Must have professional attitude and appearance.
- Some travel required.

### **Physical Demands:**

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision for review of statistical and other financial records and information.

**NOTE:** The essential responsibilities of this position are described under the headings above. They may be subject to change at any time due to reasonable accommodation or other reasons. Also, this document in no way states or implies that these are the only duties to be performed by the employee occupying this position.