June 15, 2022

ROTARY NOTARY



Member Birthdays:

Joanne Rogers	6/16
Lynn Jeane	6/17
Kim Goodnight	6/21

At Rotary Today:

Greeter: Bobbi Hansen

Invocation, Flag Salute, and Four-way test: Markus Meyer

Special Guests: Paul Attwater Evan Kaufman Cindy Patry Rob Ralston Jim Roman

Rotary Anniversaries: Fred Thurlow—20 years

Wedding Anniversaries:

Dwight & Pat Oxley—61 years Marc & Carol Campbell— 46 years Larry & Margy Hund—45 years Kim & Tony Hurtig—32 years Brittany & Brett Sweeney— 8 years

Quote of the Week:

Be yourself; everyone else is already taken.

— Oscar Wilde

THE ARRAY OF SERVICES AVAILABLE AT MORGAN STANLEY



Members of the Flint Hills Group at Morgan Stanley spoke at this week's EWR meeting. Today's speakers were: Greg Ek, Paul Attwater, Jim Roman, Robert Ralston, and Cindy Patry.

President Greg Ek explained that once during each quarter of this Rotary year he has invited an EWR member to be the featured speaker at a meeting. We've enjoyed hearing from Elizabeth Farha, Tammie Rhea, and Justin Baxter. Today was Greg's turn.

Greg is a Financial Advisor with the Flint Hills Group at Morgan Stanley. Founded in 1966, the Flint Hills Group has six financial advisors and two support staff. The group provides professional financial guidance and dedicated client care with the purpose of building, protecting, and preserving their clients' wealth. They're currently working with fourth and fifth generations of some of the families they've served since the beginning.

Across the globe, Morgan Stanley is a leader in financial services. There are 15,950 Financial Advisors and Personal Wealth Advisors who manage \$3.99 trillion in total client assets. The firm is number one in investment advisory assets under management and has 68,097 employees.

But more important than being large, Morgan Stanley is focused on its core values, which are:

- 1. Do the right thing.
- 2. Put clients first.
- 3. Lead with exceptional ideas.
- 4. Commit to diversity and inclusion.
- 5. Give back.

The ability for clients to access their account infor-

mation online yet keep it safe from cyber threats is of paramount importance to Morgan Stanley, which invests many resources to protect client information and assets. The firm has what is referred to as a 'digital vault,' allowing 24/7 access to account information and the ability to move funds around.

In case you're wondering where investing ends and banking begins, Morgan Stanley also offers a program called "CashPlus," which is a modern alternative to banking. You can access your cash from banks or tellers that accept MasterCard and manage your cash on the go. As Paul Attwater explained, "We're more than just stock brokers. We can help you manage your financial life and beyond."

Announcements:

How would you like to earn your first or next level of Paul Harris Fellow recognition? Stuart Palmer has offered to match points for any contribution of \$100-\$300 to the Rotary International Foundation if your gift is made by June 30. The offer has a twofold benefit: Rotary District 5680 receives 50% of total donations to use for future granting purposes. The 50% comes to the District at the end of three years' time. Also, members can build their Paul Harris Fellow points quicker.

Dues are due! The deadline for dues payment is next Wednesday, June 22. Please contact Kim if you would like an extension or want to pay using a credit card.

Sign up to be a greeter or a prayer leader at an upcoming EWR meeting. It's an easy way to offer service above self and get to know your fellow Rotarians even better! Sign up sheets are at Kim's table.

Next Week:

Wichita RiverFest Admiral Windwagon Smith, a.k.a. Barry Schwan, will be our speaker.

In Two Weeks:

Don't miss our annual "Changing of the Guard," where we celebrate the accomplishments of this year and look ahead to the next.

LAST WEEK AT EAST WICHITA ROTARY



Laura Ritterbush, CEO of Goodwill Industries of Kansas, was our speaker on June 8. She's a Goodwill "Lifer" from Indiana who moved to Wichita a little over a year ago with her family. In her role as CEO, Laura oversees programs in 74 Kansas counties and formerly served as the Chief Mission Officer in Kansas City.



When you think of Goodwill Industries, what comes to mind first? As Laura Ritterbush explained, "Halloween costume shopping is at the top of a lot of lists!" October is a big month at the retail locations in and around Wichita.

The retail stores are an important part of Goodwill Industries' mission to improve

the quality of life for people with disabilities and other barriers to employment. All over the world, Goodwill Industries' retail stores help recycle six billion pounds of items.

Your donations of clothing, and accessories, furniture and household items, small appliances, home décor, toys and books, and computers/other electronics help in many ways. Ritterbush explained that 90 cents of every dollar provides programs that include skills development, targeted case management, GED completion, internships for adults with disabilities, and STEM career exploration. The retail stores are often where a client learns how to go to work and be successful on the job.

The NexStep Alliance is a program that helps adult learners get on a path to a career by earning their high school diploma. New students enroll every quarter and can participate in a cap-and-gown ceremony when they receive their diploma. This year, 96 adults graduated, with 45 of them walking across the stage. The NexStep Alliance helps students learn and improve their English to better support themselves and their families. And the NexStep Unlocked, a relatively new program, supports Kansans who are exiting the justice system. The program offers life skills and hopes to change the trajectory of participants' lives for good.

Yes, there's a lot more to Goodwill Industries than the retail shops, but as Laura Ritterbush says, please keep supporting the retail stores with your donations and your shopping. And if your business is interested in forming a partnership, let her know. "Partnerships propel us!" she exclaimed.