



# ROTARY NOTARY

## SALUTING THOSE WHO LEAD EAST WICHITA ROTARY

### Member Birthdays:

Charlie King	6/27
Robin McGonigle	6/27
Jim Crawford	6/29
Bill McConnell	7/2
Richard Samaniego	7/11

### At Rotary Today:

**Greeter:** Tim Link

**Invocation, Flag Salute,  
and Four-way test:**  
Ric Wolford

### Special Guests:

Ella Jones  
Susan Jones

### Rotary Anniversaries:

Michael Moeder—2 years  
Chad Clark—1 year

### Wedding Anniversaries:

Richard & Benita Strunk—  
38 years  
Jaden & Jacque Randle—  
23 years  
Drew & Abby Rooks—8 years

### Quote of the Week:

I've missed more than 9000 shots in my career. I've lost almost 300 games. 26 times I've been trusted to take the game winning shot and missed. I've failed over and over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed.

— Michael Jordan



President Burke Jones presents thank-you gifts to board members. L to R: Drew Rooks, Denise Hearson, Scott Holder, Donna Kennedy, Phil Broz, Burke Jones, Susan Addington, Anne Schneider, Bob Morris, Richard Samaniego, Michael Moeder. Not present but also appreciated: Tammie Rhea.

**T**his was a day to say thank you and to celebrate. President **Burke Jones** said thank you to EWR members who served on the board this past year and to the rest of our club for making good things happen all year long.

But first, Burke and the rest of the club viewed a four minute slide show highlighting a year of scholarship recipients, service events, mixers, and speakers. Special thanks to **Ric Wolford** and **Fred Heismeyer** for taking photos at meetings, mixers, and wherever EWR is making a difference. And to **Britt Fulmer** for hosting Member News during meetings.

In his remarks, Jones admitted that we would not achieve the goal he set of receiving a Rotary Citation Award this year. But our club did accomplish some of the

requirements for the award, including having a series of speakers who talked about leadership, and posting announcements on social media a minimum of four times a month.

Jones also noted that accepting the invitation to serve as Club President this past year helped him grow both personally and professionally. "Before becoming president, I was comfortable speaking to a group of seven or eight, but not 60," he said. "Now I'm a lot more comfortable. I feel like you hit your stride just about the time your term is over."

Then it was time to recognize and honor those who have gone above and beyond, starting with the board. Jones presented each member with a Rotary coffee mug and a gift card to Andy's.

That was followed by the recognition of Service Above Self, the Rotarian of the Year, and a special honor created to recognize a newer club member who has shown exceptional participation and leadership with the "Rookie of the Year," award.

Last, it was time to have a laugh with Jones himself. Calling him "too nice to make fun of," incoming president **Anne Schneider** compared Jones with a Far Side cartoon called "The Many Moods of an Irish Setter." The dog has the same eager and enthusiastic look whether being happy, depressed, angry, pensive, excited, or suicidal. Just as Jones, throughout the year of his presidency, smiled and radiated a calm inner peace.

Then it was time to ring the bell, signifying the close of another great EWR year. We'll see you on July 10!

### Upcoming Events:

**NO MEETING** Wednesday, July 3. See you back at the Wichita Country Club on Wednesday, July 10!

### Give the Gift of Life:

Our community's blood supply is low!! That's why **Deb Brinegar** invites you to help the Red Cross during the July Fourth holiday by donating blood and enjoy free admission to the Sedgwick County Zoo.

The "Red White and You" blood drive takes place from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Cargill Learning Center at the Zoo from July 4-6. Bring the family—there will be activities for older children to do while you're giving blood. Schedule a time at [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) or by calling 1-800-RedCross.

### In Two Weeks:

Begin the new Rotary year with a bang! Join us on **Wednesday, July 10** for a special **Club Assembly** and help our leadership set priorities for the coming year.

## MORE AT ROTARY TODAY



He's read to children at Buckner Elementary, painted maps, and a whole lot more. And he always does it with a servant's heart. That's why **Jim Crawford** received the "Service Above Self" award from President Burke Jones. Great work and thank you for your service to EWR, Jim!

Noting that **Michael Moeder** put together several great mixers, promoted EWR regularly on social media, and volunteered frequently for service projects, Burke Jones presented him with a special award to a newer member of EWR, "Rookie of the Year." Well done, and we appreciate your enthusiasm, Michael!



"A quiet leader," is how Burke Jones described **Denise Hearson**, who received the honor of being named "Rotarian of the Year." Hearson has headed up EWR's community service projects for the past three years and is committed to an additional year. Thank you and congratulations, Denise!