



ROTARY NOTARY

Member Birthdays:

Barry Purdy	5/25
Greg Ek	5/27

At Rotary Today:

Greeter: Bobbi Hansen

Invocation, Flag Salute, and Four-way test:
Jim Crawford

Wedding Anniversaries:
Ric & Nancy Wolford—42 years
Sheila & Terry Cole—26 years
Joe & Gayle Goetz—22 years

Dues Will Be Due:

Next week you should receive your invoice for the upcoming Rotary year's dues. If either your email or membership status are changing, please let Kim know as soon as possible.

Quote of the Week:

To see what is right and not do it is a lack of courage.
— Confucius

WSU TECH: TRAINING TODAY FOR TOMORROW'S WORKFORCE



How can you make future careers real to high school students in danger of dropping out? Use artificial reality. The Future Maker mobile learning lab pictured above simulates real jobs. Participants can put on a welder's shield, virtually paint an airplane, see an aircraft engine, or view a 3D model of the human heart.

The image of what was once referred to as "vo-tech" has changed considerably in the last 30 years. What used to be the program for kids who weren't going to college is now the program giving them hands-on job experience and connecting them with careers.

Today's speaker, Gayle Goetz, showed us how WSU Tech is a big part of that changing vision. Its mission: train the workforce to fulfill business needs in our community. With four area campuses and more than 100 degree and certificate programs, WSU Tech is transforming the face of higher education through its affiliation with WSU, formalized on July 1, 2018.

One result of this affiliation is the creation of the "Shocker Pathway." Students can take general education studies at WSU Tech and earn up to 50 credits for transfer to WSU. Upon completion of an additional 15 credit hours of general education courses at WSU, students will earn an AA degree from WSU. It's a very practical and affordable option for the first two years of college.

Another area of focus for WSU Tech is customized workforce training. Need to update your staff on the use of new equipment, safety regulations, or technology specific to your industry? WSU Tech staff can help. About 10,000 employees receive this training yearly.

Wichita Promise is a new scholarship program designed to get people to move here for training and jobs in highest demand: painting, welding, and sheet metal. It pays tuition and fees for specific high wage, high demand jobs. It also provides training, credentials, certifications, career coaching by WSU Tech's Career Services department, and a guaranteed interview upon completion. So far, 40 of the original cohort are working and living here; another cohort started last January.

Both Wichita Promise and the evolution of WSU Tech, are exciting examples of how great minds are working together to strengthen and grow south central Kansas economy for the future.

Upcoming Events:

NO MEETING on May 29 due to the Memorial Day Holiday.

May 31 and June 6—Another opportunity for Service Above Self! Sell Wichita Riverfest Food Court tickets in the comfort of an air-conditioned booth. Online links to sign up for both of these projects are in the pre-meeting email you receive on Tuesdays. Or sign up live at the next EWR meeting!

2019-2020 EWR Board Slate

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Next Week:

Professor James Sherow of K-State will be our speaker.

MORE AT ROTARY TODAY



Tim Link introduced Eric Ireland, who is re-joining our club after spending three years in Kansas City as legal counsel for Commerce Trust Company, a division of Commerce Bank. He's the Executive VP and market executive of Commerce Trust here and is excited to begin reintegrating into the Wichita community. Welcome back, Eric! We're glad you're here!

Joe Goetz had the privilege of introducing his lovely and accomplished wife, Gayle Goetz, as today's speaker. After finding out that Gayle was a master diver, Joe took up the sport in the event she was introduced to other divers named Scooter or Biff. Later this month they will celebrate 22 years of marriage.



Rotary friendships are lasting and solid! Gayle Goetz, (L), today's speaker, talks with EWR member Mylene Atnip. The two met several years ago at a Women's Rotary gathering and had a great time catching up over lunch today.