November 16, 2022

ROTARY NOTARY



Member Birthdays:

John Alefs	11/26
Jason Shaffer	11/26
Ric Wolford	11/28

At Rotary Today:

Greeter: Deb Brinegar

Invocation, Flag Salute, and Four-way test: Robin McGonigle

Special Guests: Sid Sproul Valerie Spykes

Photography: Ric Wolford

Rotary Anniversaries: Scott Holder—11 years Drew Rooks—9 years

Wedding Anniversaries: Schoen & Nancy Fitzgerald— 45 years

Quote of the Week:

I could either watch it happen or be a part of it.

— Elon Musk

GETTING TO KNOW PATRICK PENN, DISTRICT 85 REPRESENTATIVE



Dave Sproul introduced Patrick Penn, who won a second term as a member of the Kansas Legislature in the recent election. Until a recent redistricting, Rep. Penn served Dave and Sid Sproul's neighborhood. Today was the first time he has presented to a Rotary club.

atrick Penn is not shy about sharing his life story with you. That's because it is the foundation of who he is today—a man of faith, a husband, a father, and a man who greatly desires to serve our citizens in his role as a state legislator.

Raised in foster care, Penn joined the U.S. Army after graduating from high school. He served on multiple tours of duty overseas and retired at the rank of Captain in 2017. In the Army he attended Officer Candidate School and earned both his bachelor and master's degrees. He came to Wichita to work for Textron Aviation Defense as a Program Manager. As a legislator, Penn has identified the areas of focus that are important to him. Child welfare is especially important to him. During the 2022 Legislative Session, areas of focus were child welfare, COVID-19, and eliminating the sales tax on food, which will phase out over three years beginning in January 2023.

HB 2387was vetoed by Gov. Kelly, but her veto was overridden on May 23. The bill prohibits the governor from having authority under KEMA or any other law to prohibit attending or conducting religious or worship services. (Found on the Kansas Health Institute website). Legislators focused on bills addressing issues related to the legal rights and interests of children and parents and the investigation of reported cases of abuse and neglect. As Penn explained it, law enforcement officers going to a home to investigate a child welfare case were prohibited from entering the home without permission. As a result of new laws, they can now enter homes and can also cross county lines if needed to investigate possible child abuse.

We're grateful for the continuing service Patrick Penn provides to our community as a legislator, but also as husband to Talia, and dad to Jaden, Josiah, Amariah, and Gabriella. Thank you, sir!

Club Announcements:

Let's Mix it Up! Following our turkey delivery drive on **Tuesday**,



November 22, we will have a mixer at the Candle Club, 13th and Woodlawn. The fun begins at 4:30 or whenever YOU arrive! Join us as we celebrate another successful Turkey Drive and usher in the Thanksgiving holiday.

Speaking of holidays, please mark

Wednesday, December 14 on your calendar for a special

Christmas Holiday luncheon at our regular lunch meeting site-the Wichita Country Club! Your cost is covered and you can bring a spouse or guest for just \$25. This year we are offering a vegetarian option for the entrée. All members must RSVP. Want more information? Talk with Kim or sign up online. Special thanks to our sponsors, Peggy Church and Julia Shetlar of Berkshire Hathaway Home Services, and Dane Estok of Mahaney Group.

Dues are due! The semi-annual dues invoices will be emailed either November 28 or 29. Please make your dues payment by December 21 to assure timely payment.

Next Week:

NO MEETING on Wednesday, November 23 because it's Thanksgiving week. See you back at the Wichita Country Club on Wednesday, November 30! Congratulations to Peggy Church, who received her first Paul Harris pin for her support of the Rotary International Foundation! Dave Sproul presented her with the pin. Thanks, Peggy! We're so glad

you joined EWR!



WANT TO MAKE AN END-OF-YEAR GIFT? SUPPORT THE EWR FOUNDATION

MORE AT ROTARY TODAY



Scott Jensen reminded us that as we make end-of-year contributions to support our favorite charities, remember the Rotary Club of East Wichita Foundation, which provides college scholarships to deserving and high-achieving students in Sedgwick County. A gift of \$500 will support one student scholarship for one semester, but gifts in any amount are welcome!

SIGN UP FOR AMAZON SMILE AND MAKE OUR CLUB SMILE TOO

There are two ways you can support the EWR Foundation without writing a check! All you have to do is become a member of Amazon Smile or sign up for the Dillons Community Rewards program. EWR member **Tammie Rhea** explained this easy way to generate funds for our foundation. Please see the next page for full details on how you can participate.







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OVER to learn how to sign-up for Dillons Community Rewards too!



The Kroger Family of Companies is committed to community engagement, positive social impact and charitable giving at the national and local levels. Every community is unique, but our common goal is to partner with the neighborhoods we serve and help the people there live healthier lives.

One of the ways in which we do this is through our Dillons Community Rewards program. This program makes fundraising easy by donating to local organizations based on the shopping you do every day. Once you link your Card to an organization, all you have to do is shop at Dillons and swipe your Shopper's Card. Here's how it works:

1. Create a digital account

A digital account is needed to participate in Dillons Community Rewards; if you do not have a digital account, it is very easy to set up at Dillons.com. If you already have a digital account, simply link your Shopper's Card to your account so that all transactions apply toward the organization you choose.

2. Link your Card to an organization:

- Sign into your digital account with your email address and password.
- Under your name, near the right top of the screen, click on the arrow for the drop-down menu and choose "My Account".
- Under "My Account", the bottom choice is Community Rewards. Click on that and follow the prompt to select **Rotary Club of East Wichita Foundation** from the list and click "Save".

Your selected organization will also display in the Dillons Community Rewards section of your account. If you need to review or revisit your organization, you can always so do under your Account details ... and even track how *your* purchases have benefitted Our Foundation!

Our organization earns!

Any transactions moving forward using the Shopper's Card number associated with your digital account will be applied to the program, at no added cost to you. Dillons donates annually to participating organizations, with quarterly payments, based on our participating households' percentage of spending as it relates to the total spending associated with all participating Dillons Community Rewards organizations. Sign up today and help with this great and easy way to benefit

The Rotary Club of East Wichita Foundation and its mission to provide local scholarships to students from Sedgwick County who are attending Kansas universities and trade schools!



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