## ROTARY NOTARY

### **Birthdays:**

Greg Franken	9/12
Michael Moeder	9/12

### **At Rotary Today:**

*Greeter:* Michael Moeder (on his birthday!)

Invocation, Flag Salute, and Four-way test:
Shelley Duncan

## Rotary Anniversaries:

Tim Link—21 years Schoen Fitzgerald—18 years Joanne Rogers—10 years Joe Goetz—7 years Burke Jones—5 years

Wedding Anniversary:

John and Sher Hurst— 39 years

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

We can easily forgive a child who is afraid of the dark; the real tragedy of life is when men are afraid of the light.

-Plato

## MEET ASSISTANT DISTRICT GOVERNOR ARLEN HONTS

Arlen Honts joined Rotary in 1998 and became a member of the Downtown Wichita club in 2004. Note the colorful tie he's sporting—it features the artwork for this year's Rotary International theme: Be the Inspiration.



very year the new president of Rotary International shares his vision with all Rotarians. District Governors carry the message to the clubs. Today, Arlen Honts brought the vision of RI President Barry Rassin to our club, along with kudos for what we do well, and challenges to do even better.

Honts is bullish about the future of EWR. Our club has critical mass in several areas, including engaging members in service project. Our support of college students through scholarship awards is spot on, he told us. As the Chair of the Division of Business and Information Technology at Friends University, Honts has met with college students on the verge of dropping out because they don't have

enough money for college. When he asks them how much they need to stay in school, they typically respond, "About \$2,000." To Honts, our club's scholarships of \$1,000 per year can truly bridge the gap for a student in need.

Big changes are occurring in our district. Beginning on July 1, 2019, our Rotary district, 5690, will merbe with District 5670 to create a new district, 5680. This new district will cover the central and western sections of Kansas, along with the Oklahoma panhandle. Our current District Governor, Sterling Hall, is busy working on the integration of these two districts but will visit our club soon.

Honts also presented a short video where Barry Rassin challenges every Rotarian to build a better world by beginning with inspiration.

LEAP to Leadership, Rassin says. L stands for Love and caring.

E is for Energy and Enthusiasm.

A is for Audacious—challenge yourself with audacious goals.

P is for Proof—lead by example. Conduct research on our community's needs and then do something about them.

As a final dose of inspiration, Rassin quoted Antoine de St. Exupery, who said, "If you want to build a ship, don't summon people to buy wood, prepare tools, distribute jobs, and organize the work; teach people the yearning for the wide, boundless ocean." How can you and I be the inspiration for a better world through Rotary?

## **Upcoming Events:**

September 18—Our next mixer will be at the home of Fred and Joyce Heismeyer. The fun begins at 5:15! Enjoy adult beverages and appetizers, plus an evening cruise on one of two party barges! Their address is 3205 W. Bayview. Google Map it and come on over!

September 20—Volunteer service at The Lord's Diner. Mark your calendars now!

September 22—Map painting project at Hyde Elementary School from 8 to noon. Donuts, coffee, and fun provided!

September 26—Fireside at the Kansas Humane Society! Make your reservation with Kim for a howling good time!

October 2—Remember the film "Catch Me If You Can?" about Frank Abagnale, who posed as a Pan American World Airways pilot and other schemes before his 19th birthday? He will present "Outsmart Con Artists" at the Hughes Metroplex on Tuesday, October 2 from 6:30—8 p.m. The presentation is free to the public.

# WHY YOU SHOULD LIKE EWR ON FACEBOOK



Michael Moeder, who serves on the EWR board as the Social Media and Events Chair, would like to increase EWR's visibility on Facebook. Just by clicking on one button you can increase the number of people who follow us by 50 percent, resulting in increased community engagement AND member recruitment potential.

Here are Michael's easy-to-implement suggestions:

- 1. Do you have a Facebook account? Then like our page! We are Rotary Club of East Wichita.
- 2. After you like our page, you'll see three dots on your right. That's a menu with more stuff on it. Click on it, and you'll see a list with six options. One of them is "Invite Friends." Click on that.
- 3. Now you'll see a list of all of your friends. You can choose the friends you want to invite to like EWR, OR you can 'Select All.' Then on the lower right of the screen you'll see a box that reads 'Send Invites.' The friends whom you have selected will receive an invitation to like EWR.
- 4. Past FB posts from our club that have received a lot of likes include stories. Stories about our members, about our scholarship recipients, and a recent one about our own Britt Fulmer. Send Michael Moeder links to those stories!
- 5. Friend Michael on Facebook, so he can tag us in photos!
- 6. Last, friend your fellow East Wichita Rotarians!

See how easy that is! And if you don't already have a FB account, you might want to consider signing up for one!

## A Rotarian in the News

The man who brings us Member News has made the news. Our own Britt Fulmer has sold his business, Gentry Ltd., to Parker Mitchell.

Many of us remember Parker when he visited EWR occasionally with his father, former member David Mitchell. Parker is all grown up now and ready to take over the business that began 53 years ago, a business owned by Fulmer for the last 42 years.

The great news is that, although he's no longer the owner, Fulmer is planning to stick around and keep working there. But now he'll have more time for family and for his other love, rock and roll music.



So it's a win-win for everyone—Britt Fulmer, his customers, and the young professionals who are about to discover Gentry Ltd.

#### **Next Week:**

Learn about human trafficking—what it is and how offenders repay their debt to society.

## Rotarians in Our Thoughts

Please keep fellow Rotarian Angela Binyon in your thoughts and prayers. Her son Jordon died unexpectedly on Tuesday, September 11. If you would like to send Angela a card, her mailing address is: 20 E. Saint Cloud Place, Wichita, KS 67230. We do not currently have the date and time for funeral services but Kim Hurtig will send out an email to let you know.

Dr. John Schlicher is recovering just fine from a mild stroke he experienced recently. His wife Karol reports that there's no residual damage and he looks forward to seeing all of us next week. She also thanked us for our good wishes and prayers.