

ROTARY NOTARY



Birthdays:

<i>Randy Strassburg</i>	7/19
<i>Ann Buckendahl</i>	7/20
<i>Scott Holder</i>	7/20
<i>Jonathan McConnell</i>	7/22

Introducing New Member Michael Moeder

Drew Rooks introduced Michael Moeder, who is the Director of Community Business Advancement for KMWU Radio. Michael is a native of Wichita who has lived on all three coasts of the United States. In addition, he has lived in Kazakhstan. He returned to Wichita in 2013. This October he and his fiancée, Rebecca, will marry. Michael is very excited about joining our club and becoming involved in our many activities and service projects. Welcome to EWR, Michael!

Congratulations:

Ric Wolford's business, DPI (Douglas Photographic Imaging) is 40 years old today! Way to go, Ric!

Quote of the Week:

The only person you are destined to be is the person you decide to be.

—Attributed to Ralph Waldo Emerson

MEET THE NEW DISTRICT GOVERNOR: ROBERT MENDOZA



Robert Mendoza is the Director of Public Works for the city of Derby, our neighbor to the south. His responsibilities include overseeing water and sanitation. Without them, cities couldn't exist. Robert said, "I don't run the city but I keep it running." Robert is using his skills to help create a water treatment plant in Columbia, South America.

Every year the District Governor (DG) pays a visit to our club. The visit gets the new year off to a focused start, reminding us of the ways we as individuals and as a club can make a difference.

Our new DG, Robert Mendoza, said there are opportunities to obtain global and district grants for projects we are passionate about that align with Rotary International's areas of focus. Increasing access to clean water and sanitation is one of those areas.

Pointing to our glasses of ice water, Robert said that 2.1 billion people in the world have not seen as much clean water as we could see on the tables. A global grant from Rotary

International is building a water treatment plant in San Antonio del Tequendama in Columbia. It will produce 15 gallons of clean, potable water every minute.

At the district level, Rotary is focusing on working with local school districts to provide funding to support children who have no funds in their school lunch accounts. For these students, even worse than going hungry is the shame of being called out for not having lunch money.

The issue is personal to Robert, who spend most of his childhood in foster care. He was that student in the cafeteria who filled his tray at lunch, only to have the food tossed in the trash because there were no funds on his lunch card.

But a woman named Jermaine Thompson, a lunch room worker, made a difference by sitting with him and offering him some of her meal. "The difference that one person made allows me to be the person I am today," he told us.

Robert reminded us that we have an opportunity to be a Jermaine Thompson in someone's life asking what we could do with the power of a billion dollar organization behind us. Referring to Rotary International's focus on eradicating polio, he asked what will the next thing be? Will those of us in East Wichita Rotary be part of it?

He concluded by challenging each of us to make Rotary relevant to our members. Find out what they want from Rotary, and then give it to them.

Upcoming Events:

Another fun mixer is scheduled for next Thursday, July 27 at BJ's Brew Haus and Restaurant, located on the northwest corner of Kellogg and Rock. Bring a co-worker, bring a friend! The fun starts at 5:15!

Happy Anniversary:

A long-lasting marriage is built by two people who believe in and live by the solemn promise they made. Congratulations to these couples celebrating long marriages:

Lynn and Pat Jeane—
46 years

Bob and Nan Morris—
43 years

Jon and Marilyn Tilton—
30 years

Richard and Benita Strunk—
36 years

More At Rotary Today:

Greeter: Tammie Rhea

**Invocation, Flag Salute,
and Four-way test:**
Marc Campbell

Rotary Moment:
Anne Schneider

Next Week:

Dave Cunningham, CEO of
Flint Hills Group.

AT ROTARY TODAY



Providing college scholarships to deserving area students is the purpose of the Rotary Foundation of East Wichita. This year we'll provide 14 students with scholarships of \$500 each semester. From now through the fall our scholarship recipients will join us for lunch and tell us about their plans for the future.

Kevin Rathert introduced three scholarship recipients. Wesley Crow will be a Junior at K-State this fall. He's a music education major and trombone player who plays in several ensembles throughout the year, including marching band, brass quintet, and jazz band. Ocean Swartz graduated in May from WSU with a degree in nursing. She works at Wesley Medical Center in the neonatal unit. Jorge Godinez will attend WSU this fall. He's majoring in journalism and plans to attend law school.
L to R: Wesley Crow, Ocean Swartz, Jorge Godinez, and Kevin Rathert.

CELEBRATE DAIQUIRIS AND HOTDOGS TODAY

Nothing says summer like a cool, sweet, slushy beverage. Add a hot dog smothered with your favorite toppings and you have a party.

All the more reason to celebrate **National Daiquiri Day** and **National Hotdog Day**. This year the two fall on the same date, July 19.

Although we don't know the origin of National Daiquiri Day, we know that the drink itself is named after a mining village in Cuba. Jennings Cox, an American engineer, gathered with his employees after work at a popular bar in Havana. One day Cox mixed up Bacardi, lime, and sugar in a tall glass of ice, naming the drink after the mining village. Nearly a decade later, in 1909, a U.S. navy medical officer, Lucius Johnson, introduced the concoction to the Army and Navy Club in Washington D.C. It took off and became legendary. A non-alcoholic version, the Virgin Daiquiri, is popular as well.

Established by the National Hot Dog and Sausage Council in 1991, National Hot Dog Day takes



place on the third Wednesday in July, coinciding with an annual hot dog lunch taking place on Capitol Hill. On May 31, 2012, a world record was set for the most expensive hot dog. The "California Capitol City Dog" sold for \$145.49 at Capitol Dawg in Sacramento, CA. The three-pound frank included such goodies as white truffle butter, moose cheese from Sweden, and whole grain mustard from France. Proceeds were donated to the Shriners Hospital for Children.