



ROTARY NOTARY

Birthdays:

Joanne Rogers	6/16
Lynn Jeane	6/17
Dave Clothier	6/18
Misty Serene	6/18
Don Schierer	6/19
Kim Goodnight	6/21
Kim Hurtig	6/25
Robin McGonigle	6/27

At Rotary Today:

Greeter: Richard Strunk

Invocation, Flag Salute, and Four-way test:

Robin McGonigle

Special Guests:

Jess Hancock, Wichita Gun Club

Mandy Fleming, Youth Entrepreneurs

Quote of the Week:

Leadership is not about titles, positions, or flow charts. It is about one life influencing another."

—John C. Maxwell

WICHITA CRIME COMMISSION FIGHTS CRIME THROUGH PREVENTION



Pat Jones is the Executive Director of the Wichita Crime Commission, which was founded in 1952 by a group of business professionals whose goal was to create a non-profit, non-partisan organization with a mission of preventing the entrenchment of organized crime in our community. Jones came to the Crime Commission following 11 years leading Dress for Success.

Anyone who has lived in Wichita for some time is likely to remember police captain Bobby Stout as he presented the weekly segment of Crimestoppers on KAKE News. Wearing a trench-coat, and narrating with his distinctive gravelly voice, Stout presented an unsolved area crime while asking for citizens' help. Tipsters are anonymous and can receive cash rewards for information leading to an arrest or conviction of a criminal.

Crimestoppers is probably the best-known program of the Wichita Crime Commission,

but certainly not the only one. Pat Jones, Executive Director of the Wichita Crime Commission, shared the history of this agency and its programs today.

During the early 1950s, many communities across the United States created crime commissions in an effort to prevent organized crime from infiltrating and influencing their cities. Although some of these programs have folded, others, like ours, remain active in focusing on crime prevention and enforcement of criminal laws.

Many Crime Commission programs are directed

toward youth, helping them make good choices and redirecting their lives. L.A.W. Camp (Leaders, Achievers, Winners) is a four-day, three night campout for middle and high school youth who are at risk of joining gangs. They are mentored by deputies and soldiers, allowing them to develop positive relationships with law enforcement officers.

Another laudable program helps former gang members get a fresh start by removing tattoos associated with the gang lifestyle. It's another example of how Wichita Crime Commission members are working hard to improve the quality of life for all of us here in the city we call home.

MORE AT ROTARY TODAY

Coming Up:

Our next Mixer will be on Thursday, June 29 at José Peppers, near the Warren Theaters East. The fun begins at 5:15! Celebrate summer with your Rotary friends and bring someone new to join us!

West Wichita Rotary hosts "Taste of Spain" Event

The West Wichita Rotary Club is sponsoring their annual fundraiser, "Taste of Spain," a wine and dine event. It was fun having Rotarians from other clubs join us for our Kentucky Derby fundraiser last month. Now it's our opportunity to help another club and have some great fun as well! The event is on Friday, July 14 and tickets are \$75 apiece. Here's the link to order:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/5th-annual-wine-dinner-for-rotary-club-of-west-wichita-tickets-33506810773>

Next Week:

June 28 will be the last meeting of the Rotary year, also known as the Changing of the Guard! Fun and surprises as we salute our President Fred Heismeyer! Remember, **NO ROTARY** on Wednesday, July 5!



Fred Heismeyer, East Wichita Rotary Club President, and his wife, Joyce Heismeyer, present president-elect Scott Holder with a banner from the Rotary International Convention, which was held earlier this month in Atlanta. The convention returned to Atlanta 100 years after holding a historic convention there at the Baptist Tabernacle on Luckie Street in 1917. This year's convention was held just a few blocks away at the Georgia World Congress Center.

NATIONAL DAYLIGHT APPRECIATION DAY

In the northern hemisphere, today is often referred to as summer solstice or "the longest day of the year." We don't get additional time, but we do have more daylight on this day than any other day of the year. This day also marks the first day of summer, which to many is a technicality, especially for those who have children living at home.

Daylight has positive psychological effects; it can boost your mental health and help to lower depression as well as help with increased energy levels. The Vitamin D that we naturally get from the sun has *many* health benefits for us.

But exposure to the sun also causes skin damage. So enjoy the summer sunshine, but whether you're jogging, boating, or just outside doing yard work, remember to protect your skin!

