

PROGRAM: UP ACADEMY

He was raised in the poor part of NE Arkansas known as the Delta where he worked in the cotton fields. "I used to dream of being in places like this (the Wichita Country Club)," Rev. Wade Moore said. Another dream was to create a private school for low income and working class families. "It's the first school of this type in the state of Kansas." Wade said of The Urban Preparatory (UP) Academy in NE Wichita. "We don't turn away any children regardless of their financial status." UP has received support from the Andover school

district, which has provided laptops for each of the 39 students. Companies such as Koch Industries have provided funding and volunteers who read to the kids. Wade founded the school in 2014 with 13 students in grades K-5. The plan is to add a grade per year and graduate the Class of 2022. "Whatever we teach

them, they can learn," Wade said of the challenging curriculum with a heavy dose of financial literacy, economics, and Wealthy Wednesday classes. "We require



Rev. Wade Moore is a former Army Sergeant

each family to be directly involved in the educational journey with their children."

To attract more students, Wade said that UP is one of the only private schools that provides transportation for the kids.

BUSINESS BRIEF: SHELLEY DUNCAN

The name has changed, though the mission has remained. EmberHope makes a difference in the lives of at-risk youth and families, said **Shelley Duncan**, the President and CEO. Founded in 1927 and previously known as YouthVille, EmberHope has around 200 employees in Kansas, Washington, and Texas.

EmberHope utilizes such innovative techniques as

equine therapy and a canine program.

Another EmberHope program helps females 10-18, 75% of whom have been victims of sex trafficking.

BIRTHDAYS	
BARRY PURDY	5/25
JIM BIEHLER	5/31
MATT LIST	6/7
JOANN ROGERS	6/16
LYNN JEANE	6/17
DAVE CLOTHIER	6/18
DON SCHIERER	6/19

CALENDAR

- MAY 18-To be determined
- MAY 25-No meeting, Memorial Day
- JUNE 1-Kansas Supreme Court Justices

WELCOME TO KLEPTOMANIAC CLUB. I see you already took a brochure

One time I brought my kids to work with me and now my boss is way more tolerant of my drinking.

Greeter-Todd Bailey

Invocation, Flag Salute, 4-Way Test-Jim Crawford

My 401k is whatever's left on this Starbucks gift card.

The Gerard House residents celebrated Mother's Day off-site so **Joanne Rogers** delivered our donations (pictured right) to the House, which provides a home for pregnant teens and young women. The House also provides psychological, spiritual, and adoption counseling.

Olive Garden didn't treat me like

family. If they did they would've blown cigarette smoke in my face and told me what a disappointment I am.



A Gerard House volunteer receives our donations

We won't meet on May 25 to observe the Memorial Day holiday.

I belong to a gym which serves pizza the first Monday of every month. Which means the pizza goes to the gym more often than I do.

President Joe Goetz said our "Dollars for Scholars" program will continue to accept donations until next Wednesday. Our goal is to raise around \$6000, an average of \$50 per member for our East Wichita Rotary Foundation to provide college scholarships. Recently, we've given \$1000 annual scholarships to 17 kids. Gradually, our funding has declined so this infusion will help sustain the program.

JUST TELL ME WHEN AND WHERE, AND I'LL BE THERE 20 MINUTES LATE

To be honest, I thought all this was a dream, so I stopped paying my bills a year ago.

Editor's Note-This is my final East

Wichita Rotary meeting. I have accepted a position as the Practice Manager of the El Dorado Clinic. What an unforgettable 20 years it's been in Rotary. Thank you.

I'm not sure if this woman in the Starbucks line ahead of me is order-

My one weakness? Probably my unshakable belief that, despite a total lack of training, I'll be able to do karate if I'm ever in a fight. *ing a drink or casting a spell.* Please make reservations with Kim Hurtig to attend our June 1 meeting featuring two Kansas Supreme Court Justices. We've invited area Rotarians to this meeting.

Please register at Kim's desk to sell Riverfest Food Court tickets on Fri., June 3 and Mon., June 6. Did you see that White Castle Hamburgers will have a mobile truck at Riverfest? I'll be postponing my diet.

She said she hates my analogies and wishes I would communicate like a normal person, but that's like telling a samurai not to use his sword.

Past President Brian Burrus was a guest today. Brian is considering employment options, including owning a business. When asked why he hasn't visited us more of-



should've called **Lynn Jeane**," **John Alefs** said with Lynn present, "he'll invite anyone!"

Culinary tip: *(Pictured left)* You can turn an old toilet into a refrigerator and BBQ grill. You can, but should you?

(To my date after each preview at a movie) The actual film will be much longer than that.