

Rotary Notary

We're not overweight; our attractiveness is overflowing

PROGRAM: WICHITA RIVERFEST

Admiral Windwagon Smith was a fictitious, deranged ship captain sailing a wag-on across the plains, and who better exemplifies the characteristics than past Admirals **Bob Dool** and **Rigby Carey**, joked the current Admiral, Steve Dillard. "It's so much fun, I can't begin to tell you," Steve said of being the Admiral. Since its inception in the early 1970s, the Wichita Riverfest has become "The state's longest and largest community celebration," said Mary Beth Jarvis, CEO of Wichita Festivals. "Our charitable mission is to bring the community together and inspire unity." This year's Riverfest is from June 3-11 in and around Downtown Wichita. Riverfest unfolds thanks to

nine full-time staff, 6500 volunteers, and numerous sponsors. "We are 97 1/2% privately funded," Mary Beth said. "It's not just about going and sitting watching. It's about doing." There will be 115 events this year, including 30 new ones. The economic impact is approximately \$25 million. There were 410,000 attendees in 2015, up 35% over the past three years. Part of that increase is attributed to an emphasis on safety. In 2012, Mary Beth said, there were 156 arrests. The last few years, there have been only a few arrests per year. Another reason for the increased safety and attendance is the requirement of buttons; 97,000 were sold last year.

Mary Beth said there's a similar festival in Chattanooga that charges \$64. The highest price for the Riverfest button is \$10. One of the highlights of this year's event is the Habitat for Humanity home build, which will begin and end during the festival. "We are trying to sprinkle arts and culture throughout the festival in all sorts of ways," Mary Beth said. The Riverfest will begin with a parade and end with fireworks.



*This Admiral's jacket was previously worn by **Bob Dool***

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East Wichita
Rotary Club

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 11-Rev. Wade More, UP Academy**
- **MAY 18-Jacob Wayman, The Entrepreneurial Challenge**
- **MAY 25-No meeting, Memorial Day**

Any sandwich is a panini if you sit on it

President Joe Goetz said we are eliminating this year our Fun(d)raiser, which provided grants to local charities. Instead, Joe has asked that we focus in the next three weeks on donating \$50 each, around

\$6000 total, to our Foundation, which provides college scholarships. Joe said those donations have declined over the years. The suggested \$50 donation will be in addition to the amount on your dues statement.

Wife: Did you give the kids a bath?

Me: Yes.

Wife: Did you give them a bath TODAY?

Darn. She knows about that loophole.

When it comes to a war of wills, I'm no match for the last cookie

The human body can survive three weeks without food, three days without water but only three hours without Wi-Fi.

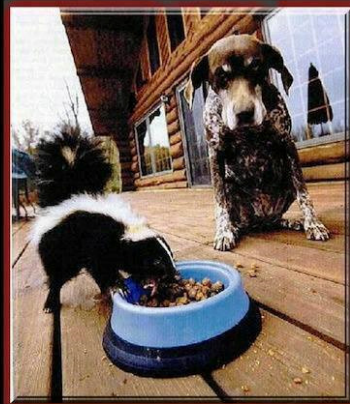
Greeter **Joanne Rogers**

Invocation, Flag Salute, 4-Way Test **Dr. Bill McConnell**

Just saw a man wearing a pager. Apparently, he's expecting a very important call from someone in 1994.

Joanne is scheduled at the end of June for a second hip re-

Two of the greatest qualities of Life are:
Patience...



...and Wisdom

placement. "I have my mobility back," Joanne said following her first replacement five years ago. Now with the other hip being replaced, Joanne plans

to be a kid again. "I want the hip of a 23-year old who can do Zumba," Joanne joked. Joanne said you're not allowed to drive for six weeks following the replacement

My cab driver's fighting with his girlfriend on speakerphone as if I don't exist which is apparently how she's been feeling

After seeing the Admiral Windwagon Smith costume today and knowing that he's already served as President of East Wichita Rotary, **Scott Post** suggests that we design a similar costume for our club President.

My therapist is right, you need help

Oh please. If I took the time to be embarrassed by my mistakes I'd never get anything else done.

Member News **Denise Hearson** said **Jake Baird** was pictured in *Splurge* magazine at the 3rd anniversary of the Apricot Lane clothing store at Bradley Fair...**Ric Wolford** is celebrating his 39th wedding anniversary. Ric and wife Nancy lived in the same Wichita neighbor-

hood when they were kids, they attended the same junior high and high school but drifted apart when Nancy attended college in Indiana. Shortly after returning from college, Nancy

I wish I could replace my central nervous system with a central confidence system.

agreed to a date with Ric. "I knew her Mom and Dad already, it's not like I had to meet her parents. They're just great people." Being married was not enough so Ric and Nancy work together at Douglas Photographic Imaging...**Jon Tilton** is celebrating his 25th East Wichita Rotary anniversary.

I finally told her those three magic words every woman longs to hear: I. Give. Up.

Saw somebody put a water bottle where the Pringles go on the treadmill

Editor's Note-I'm celebrating my 20th Rotary anniversary. Bob Page invited me to my first Rotary meeting at the Wichita State Alumni Club. I thought I was having lunch with Bob and 100 of his closest friends. Little did I know that I was about to be ensnared in this club, this wonderful, fun club. By the way, my Dad was a Rotarian in Baldwin City and wrote his club's newsletter that my Mom and I proofread for him.

Classic Song-Jerry Reed, *She Got the Goldmine* (I Got the Shaft) 1982:

*She got the gold mine, I got the shaft
They split it right down the middle
And then they give her the better half
Well, it all sounds sort of funny
But it hurts too much to laugh
She got the gold mine, I got the shaft*

