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Using Cowboy Logic to Lead and Grow



Featured in this section will be clubs who have taken an idea and used it to "Lead and Grow" their club. To start this new column, we will begin with an idea that came from a President's report from the Manhattan Rotary Club.

The Manhattan Rotary Club uses a PowerPoint presentation to show the speaker of the day and the one for the next week; to highlight what has happened in the club (Ambassadorial Scholars, World Peace Fellows, RYLA, GSE, Youth Exchange students, Paul Harris Fellows, project accomplishments, etc.) This display is shown on

three large video screens in the front of the room while members and guests eat lunch and enjoy fellowship. This was the idea of past president Mel Chastain who developed the plan and obtained the funding during his term in 2007-09. This greatly increases the efficiency of the club's meeting by eliminating a lot of announcements and information presentations.

The club also sends this PowerPoint presentations to their member as a meeting reminder. The members can save the file to their computer and look back at the information at any time.

[**CLICK HERE FOR A PDF SAMPLE OF THE POWERPOINT PRESENTATION**](#)

Editors Note: Another use of this process would be to take pictures at your club's events and projects. Members who did not/could not participate would be informed of club activities and maybe volunteer for the next project. Keeping It FUN!



Lenexa Shoe Project Inspired by 6-year-old Boy (Cowboy Logic at Work Again!!)

Editors Note: The Lenexa Rotary Club’s President sent me these adorable pictures of kids with shoes, but not much information. So I contacted Becca Coleman and she sent me to the person responsible for this amazing project. Fred Spears didn’t want the credit for this, but Becca and I both agree that Fred is an example of a true Rotarian. So, even though Fred objects, here is how this project came about.

Last year Fred read an article in The Rotarian (November 2008) about John Ari, a 6-year old son of a Rotarian in District 7670 in North Carolina. John asked his Dad about Rotary. Hilmi Ari told him that Rotary makes a difference. After thinking about that, John replied, “I want to make a difference.” With the help of his father and RI, they selected a project to provide shoes to children in Thailand because the children “have to walk barefoot to and from school three miles.”



This article spurred Fred on. He hadn’t been very active in the club for awhile and thought if a kid can do this, then why couldn’t his club do this too? Fred had served as Sgt-at-Arms for several years, and decided to step it up a notch.



As Sgt-at-Arms of the Lenexa club it is a club tradition to “fine” everyone \$1 a week with funds going into their Foundation. He would tell members each week to “pony up” and get their wallet out. He would take great joy in “nicking their wallets” and this project gave him another opportunity to do so!

Fred did all the preliminary research and presented the project to the Lenexa Board. He would collect money from the members of the club as part of his normal collecting of fines to fund this project. So for a period of 8-weeks he was “collecting fines with both hands” - one hand for the traditional fines and the other for the funds for the shoe project.

His goal was to raise enough money for 100 pairs of shoes (cost of \$5.50/pair). During the process of collecting “fines”, Fred learned about the District Matching Grant and applied for matching funds to improve the clubs impact. With the “fines” collected from the 50 members of the Lenexa Club and the District Matching Grant, the club was able to provided the Rotary Club of Banmi, Thailand with 242 pairs of shoes!

“Collecting with both hands” worked so well that Fred did a second project to collect \$1,000 for a water project. He plans to continue to select projects that the club can either join with another Rotary local club or international club and make a difference. Then once or twice a year he will cheerfully “collect with both hands,” make the members “pony-up” and “nick the wallets’ of the members of the Lenexa Club!!



Topeka West Rotary Club (Cowboy Logic Again!)

- The club has completed their Strategic Plan that will guide their club as they implement a membership drive, service projects and funding drives.
- Recruitment of new members is a major priority. Recently a membership drive was kicked off by President Carolyn Conroy. The membership chair is PDG Don Moses and committee members are Austin Northern, Hal Hudson, Chris Wright and Forrest Kidney.
- The club slogan is “Everyone Recruits One” which is displayed on a large banner at every meeting. To allow for some friendly competition, teams were established with the winning team receiving a steak dinner. The other team get hamburgers and hot dogs.
- A wine and cheese party will be held to recruit former and new members.
- New members will wear special ribbons and the recruiting member’s badge will display a sticker with the number of members recruited.
- Members are asked to put Rotary information, web site, etc. on the reverse site of their business cards.
- As a recruitment tool, Topeka West Rotary members will be able for the first time to receive a corporate membership in the Top of the Tower Restaurant.



Topeka North—The Power of “16”

Editors Note: When I asked for the 2009-10 club presidents to send me a recap of their year, Kathy Gross, president of the Topeka North Rotary Club, sent me a wonderful PowerPoint presentation of the club’s local, water and literacy projects; a list of the club awards; the fundraisers the club held and where the dollars were donated. But one slide really stood out—

The Impact on Others. It only took 16 Rotarians to accomplish all of this. When you think—I am only one person—think of what that one person can do with a little help from others. Imagine how long the list would be for all 48 clubs and 2,595 district members!



The Impact on Others

Because of 16 Rotarians:

- ~ 100 Guatemalans have clean water supply
- ~ 50 Seaman kids learned about water conservation
- ~ 336 third graders, teachers and librarians have new dictionaries
- ~ 15 kids now are more informed about bike safety
- ~ 10 terrific educators were thanked and honored
- ~ 1 outstanding teacher was recognized for her contributions
- ~ 2 senior students & their families have new resources to help with college expenses
- ~ 5 people in a struggling Topeka family had a great Christmas
- ~ Many needy children received wrapped Christmas presents
- ~ Salvation Army can help many local families with food, shelter and emergency aid
- ~ 1 doctor is studying in India and providing health services to many needy patients

Manhattan Rotary Club—“Help us Learn . . . Give us Hope”



On August 26 DG John visited the Manhattan Rotary Club. Wanting this visit to be special, the Club held a project and presented 934 pounds of school supplies and provided \$1,156 for shipping supplies to Iraq and Afghanistan to Gary LaGrange in support of “Help us Learn... Give us Hope...” The club packed the supplies on September 13. This will provide school supplies to about five entire schools plus the money to ship them.

In addition, President Sue Maes (L) presented a Distinguished Service Award to Gary LaGrange (R) in recognition of his leadership to the program. Gary is a former member of the Manhattan Rotary Club.



EDITORS NOTE: Gary is also on the list of District Speakers/Programs listed on the HOME page of the District website. An excerpt from his information is below.

Colonel Gary LaGrange

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Colonel LaGrange is a retired army officer who commanded Fort Riley during Desert Storm. He served for 28 years including multiple tours in Viet Nam and Laos. He has a passion for helping children in difficult places. He has been in leper colonies, refugee camps, orphanages and children’s hospitals around the world. He firmly believes that education is an essential ingredient in bringing about the stability and order that we seek. He firmly believes that helping children learn properly and gaining their trust helps the society that they are part of mature and move toward order.

He has formed “*Help us Learn ... Give us Hope...*” and will do a presentation at any Rotary club in the state of Kansas that will invite him to speak.

The vision of “*Help us Learn... Give us Hope...*” is to provide each child with a back pack filled with basic supplies and to provide the teachers of the schools with sufficient basic stock to sustain them for a period. The teachers are also provided with books to teach English. A list of the needed supplies is listed on the website. The supplies are presented to the students by American soldiers and civilians to help build world peace and goodwill.

To learn more, visit www.helpuslearngiveushope.org

President’s Corporation for National and Community Service

“Spirit of Service” award recipient, 2010

Topeka Downtown Rotary Club Makes Donation to Backpack Project

The Topeka Downtown Rotary Club donated funds to Topeka High students who were starting a 2-week journey to Merida, Mexico. The Topeka High students joined with students from Iowa to hand out backpacks and school supplies to children in Mexico. The club donated funds for 16 backpacks and school supplies to fill the backpacks. Doesn't sound like much—dig in your pocket and pull out some cash to donate to a club project. But when you read the blog of one of the students (her father is a member of the Topeka Downtown club), you discover just how BIG a small dollar donation really is!

From Kristin's Blog: "Next came the highlight of the day—visiting the government supported orphanage. All of us brought two backpacks filled with school supplies to give away. It is a program called *Toni's Backpacks* started by a girl in California. She was killed in a car accident, but the program continues in her name.

There were about 40 backpacks total for the kids. They came up to us one-by-one to get a bag, and then they gave us a big hug and said 'thank you,' sometimes in English and sometimes in Spanish. They were sooo excited! Then it was playtime! The boys went to play fútbol with Madison and Kevin [2 Topeka High students], and the girls grabbed the rest of us by our hands and took us to the play gym. It was go cute! We didn't want to leave."



Toni's Backpack Project



Antonia "Toni" Cornell-Banke

From District 5110 Rotary Club of Scott Valley website: Toni had a dream. Unfortunately, in June 2006, Toni's short life came to a sudden end in a tragic auto accident on her way to the last day of school.

Toni's main goal in life (according to her RYLA application) was to be a Rotarian and help people; to make a difference. She was President Elect of the Etna High School Interact Club: One Incredible Person. Everyone loved Toni. Her dream project for her Interact Club was to provide school supplies for Mexican children to help them achieve their goals.

This Project was Toni's dream and she fully intended on promoting this throughout District 5110 and the rest of the USA. The Etna Interact Club endeavors to do all it can to see that happen.

Etna High School Interact Club's (Sponsored by Scott Valley Rotary) instituted this project to help supply elementary age children in Mexico with basic school supplies and a pack for carrying books etc. In Mexico, children are required to attend school through sixth grade and there are many disadvantaged children that just don't have paper and pencils since for the most part they are not provided by the schools. These backpacks are filled with paper, pencils, crayolas, glue etc.

To Learn More About Toni's Backpack Project, [CLICK HERE.](#)

Lenexa Rotary Club Makes Possible Mobile Safety Education Trailer

Adapted from an article in The Johnson County SUN

The City of Lenexa accepted a gift from the Lenexa Rotary Club Foundation for \$6,629 to help fund the purchase of a mobile safety education trailer. The total project cost is \$66,299. Remaining costs will be covered by a Fire Prevention and Safety Grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. According to grant guidelines, the Fire Department could receive the grant only if it could match 10 percent of the project cost with non-federal funds.

"In today's economy, we've got look for partnerships and better ways of doing things to remain good stewards of the public dollar," Lenexa Fire Chief Dan Rhodus said. "So when a civic organization steps forward and wants to be a part of that, it's just tremendous.

We sought grant money for this program for years and had been unsuccessful. This partnership component was really the tipping point for us to be awarded this grant, and we're looking forward to it."

In addition to financial support, the Rotary Club will provide volunteers to assist the Fire Department in offering lifesaving safety programs with the new trailer. Jason Leib, Rotary member and past president, said helping fund and operate the trailer fits with the foundation's mission to provide educational and service programs for youth in Johnson County.

"About two years ago, we were looking for more local projects to get involved with," he said. "We went to the city to see if the different departments had suggestions of how we could help out. The idea for the trailer came up and we thought it fit our mission perfectly. It will be a long-term, sustaining project for us and provide dozens of opportunities every year at grade schools, elder care facilities, community events – where we can reach a maximum number of people, save lives, provide education, and get our name out there to let people know the Lenexa Rotary Club is here."

Current Lenexa Rotary Club President Rebecca Coleman called the trailer, which should be delivered later this fall, "fabulous." "Children will be able to see how to escape or avoid problems," she said. "I think it will save lives."

The mobile safety education trailer is an interactive program utilizing a custom-built, home-like trailer designed to simulate a wide array of emergencies and function as a mobile classroom.

"It looks like an RV ... so inside there'll be a kitchen, bedroom, a living room, fireplace and entertainment center for severe weather education," Rhodus said. "It will actually mimic a severe thunderstorm or tornado. The blinds will shake and you'll see flashes of lightning outside. The radio will come on and tell the occupants to take shelter. The kitchen has a refrigerator and stove, but they're unique appliances where we can demonstrate a grease fire or electrical hazards. It'll have smoke detectors and a phone system so we can teach a child to make 9-1-1 calls. The bedroom has a window escape component to it and also a door that will heat up so the occupant can touch the door to see if it's hot on the other side. We'll also talk about fireplace safety."

Rhodus said safety education is a core duty of the Fire Department. Last year, employees provided education to more than 17,000 people in the community.

"We're always looking for new and better and unique ways to communicate that safety message, and this a tool that we're certainly excited to get to use," he said. "We anticipate using it at schools, for youth groups, churches and some of our retirement communities, as well as various city festivals and events, or block parties."

Leib said Rotary Club members are glad the project is moving forward.

"It's taken awhile, but we're really looking forward to it, especially the opportunity to work with kids," he said. "We'll get to do the training with the Fire Department, so our members will get to share valuable information and really be involved.

"As a service club, our people are interested in interacting with the community and having that feeling of satisfaction of being able to do something that makes a difference."



CLUB NEWS

Atchison Rotary Club

- Six members attended the Foundation, Membership and Leadership Seminar in Topeka.
- Ashley Kallman became the new Club Secretary.
- Carrie Sowers, past President, received the Presidential Citation Award from ADG Moe Cougher.

Bonner Springs Rotary Club

- Darrell Donahue was awarded the Bronze Star for his service in WWII.
- Tiblow Days was kicked off on August 23 with the Mayor's Banquet. Keynote speaker was Secretary of State Chris Biggs. The Marion Vaughn Award for Community Service was awarded to Don and Vicki Wheeler. On August 24 the City Band Concert was held. The band is conducted by Rotarian Larry Berg. The club sold refreshments, raising over \$300 for its scholarship program. Saturday August 25 was the 32nd Annual Tiblow Trot, a five mile race or two mile walk. With 329 participants, this was the greatest turnout in the 32 years of the event. Over \$6,000 dollars was raised, with \$1,350 going to PolioPlus and \$4,650 for the club's scholarship fund. A very busy time for the club with great public recognition.



Burlington Rotary Club

- The club was fortunate to have Joe McFarland, author of "My Time on the Clock" and member of Topeka Downtown Rotary Club, present a program at a recent meeting. Joe held club members interest with entertaining accounts of his years of officiating high school and college football. (Note: Joe is listed on the District website home page under Speaker/Program Ideas.)
- Two members of the Brazil GSE team presented a program to the club. They shared their adventures in Brazil with an excellent PowerPoint presentation.

DeSoto Rotary Club

- The club received a District Simplified Grant to start the Riverfest Park Picnic Area Construction Project. The club was the first donor to install a picnic area at the Riverfest Park in DeSoto. This announcement in local media served to successfully encourage other organizations to come forward to assist in the development of this park. Pictured to the right: Member Kris Johnson, Parks and Recreation Directory Jay Garvin, and President Graham Gordon reviewed the site location of the picnic area to be financed jointly by the DeSoto Rotary Club and a grant from Rotary International.



CLUB NEWS

Emporia Rotary Club

- Dave Emig and Lloyd Stone were presented with PHF+1 pins, and Duane Hendrickson was presented with PHF+4 level pin.

Emporia—Matching Grants in Action

The Emporia Club will invest \$5,000 into the Annual Programs Fund of the Rotary Foundation which according to the TRF's formula, will result in half that amount being returned to our district for use on approved projects in three years. In return, District 5710 will provide the required amount to meet the grant financial requirements from District Designated Funds, money that was contributed three years ago during the 2007-08 Rotary year.

The Emporia Rotary Club has applied for a matching grant from The Rotary Foundation (TRF). As the International partner, the club will be joining with the Delhi Panchishila Park Rotary Club in India to purchase needed blood collection equipment for the blood donation camps in District 3010. By combining efforts with the club in India and their district and obtaining a match from TRF, the grant will total nearly \$21,000.

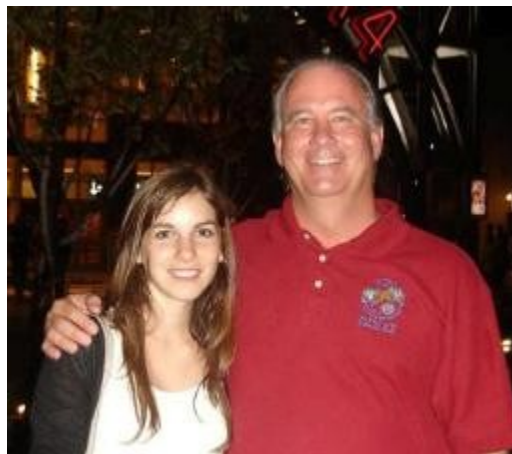
The recipient group, the Blood Bank which is a unit of District 3010 Social Welfare Society, is managed and directed by Rotarians. They collect thousands of units of blood every year, giving the blood to needy residents. Hundreds of lives are saved through their efforts. The group in India organized a large number of voluntary blood donation camps through the year. The equipment, called combi mixers, are vital in mixing and preventing coagulation of blood during the collection process.

PDG Chuck Frazier will serve as the primary contact for the project with club TRF chairman Marshall Miller and club President Barbara Wry serving as additional contact. It is expected that the project will be completed before the end of the Rotary year in June 2011.



Gardner Rotary Club

- Five club members attended the Foundation, Membership and Leadership seminar in Topeka.
- Club members participated in the Johnson County Fair Parade by volunteering to help with the line-up, to judging to have an entry in the parade. Members also helped with data entry during the Fair week of August 2-8.
- The club's Inbound Youth Exchange student Camille Vanderheyden arrived from Belgium and the club bid Bon Voyage to their two Outbound Youth Exchange students—Katie Klaussen to Chile and Laura Wehmeier, daughter of Rotarian Dan Wehmeier, to Switzerland.
- Assistant District Governor Bernice Duletski presented Past President Karen Weston with the Presidential Citation Award.



YE student Camille with her host parent, club member Robert Thompson, enjoying the entertainment of The Legends at Village West!



L to R: Past President Karen Weston and ADG Bernice Duletski

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Holton Rotary Club

- The club assisted with the Bucks for Buckles project in Holton. The club partnered with Gus Suarez State Farm Insurance for the project. Club members handed out \$150 in 20 minutes to those who were wearing their seat belts.



New Rotarian Police Chief Gale Gakle handing out bucks.



L to R: President Eric Bjelland, unknown, Gale Gakle, Curtis Johnson, Ron Marshall and Bobbi McGrath. Curtis is an EMS but not a Rotarian—YET!



L to R: Bobbi McGrath and President Eric Bjelland



L to R: New Member Gale Gakle, Ron Marshall.

Lawrence Jayhawk Rotary Club

- Provided lunch to the staff at Kennedy school as they prepared to greet student for the first day of school.
- Preparing for their Trivia Night fund raiser scheduled for October 22 at Alvarado Country Club.
- The club is joining the two other Lawrence clubs to provide volunteer for the 5K run for the Bert Nash Mental Health Center's 60th anniversary celebration.
- Club received a "thank you" from the Lawrence Community Shelter for the contribution of \$550 in good news revenue during Past President Jane Blocher's year.



CLUB NEWS

Leawood Rotary Club

- The club began its 4th year of their REACH (Rotarians Encouraging Academic Collegiate Help) program with 30 students at Bishop Ward High School. Rotarians meet once a month with students to guide and counsel them through the college selection process.
- The club has started to collect books for Head Start Training Centers.
- The club has applied to the RI Open World Program for a visit from Samara Russia by social workers. The club prepared an outstanding program proposal.
- Angie Perkins of the Kansas Bureau of Investigation provided a program. Angie's work is focused on crimes against minors and children. Pictured to the right are Rotarian Charles Lusk, Angie Perkins, and President Gary Bussing.



Lenexa Rotary Club

- Collected Books for Kids for the Head Start Training Center in conjunction with the Johnson County Rotary Club.
- Participated in the Lee's Summit's Rotary Club Chili Challenge.
- Assisted the local Kiwanis Club with their Pancake Breakfast ticket sales. They in turn help with the club's Shrimp Fest ticket sales.
- Inducted two new members: Amy Ruo (Gene Amos' daughter and Joni Pflumm's sister) and Phil Hammond.
- Creighton Hill received a Paul Harris Fellow.

Manhattan Rotary Club

- Ryan Klataske, Ambassadorial Scholarship winner in 2007, was the club's speaker in August and presented "My Ambassadorial Experience in Namibia." The research he conducted during the past year in Namibia (Southern Africa region) will be related to his PhD dissertation at Michigan State University. *Editor's Note:*



L to R: John Armbrust, presenter, Lyle Butler, and President Sue Maes.



Ryan Klataske, Ambassadorial Scholar

- *Ryan's fist report and final report are on the district website under Ambassadorial Scholarships on the home page.*
- Immediate Past President Lyle Butler was named a Paul Harris Fellow by the club.
- Kay Scarbrough was introduced as a transfer member from the Lenexa Rotary Club and Kristopher Lewison was introduced as a new member of the club.



L to R: Kay Scarbrough, Kristopher Lewison

CLUB NEWS

Overbrook Rotary Club



- For over a century, the Overbrook Fair and Parade has been a summer highlight for citizens of Overbrook and the surrounding area. In 2010, the theme of the parade was "On the Road to Happiness." The theme of the Overbrook Club float was "Happiness is Kansas Made." The club began preparations for the float in June. The floats are held in garages and barns until one hour before the parade on Friday night. On Saturday night, the parade is held again with emblems of the organizations displayed on the floats. This year the Overbrook Rotary Club placed first in the comedy division and had the overall highest point total in the judging. In the photo, the children are enjoying catching oil-free fish from the SS 5710 while Rotarian Larry Butel is trying to catch the cow (club President Gerry Coffman). Driving the tractor is Rotarian Yolanda Dickinson.

Oskaloosa Rotary Club

- The March of Dimes Bikers for Babies ride traveled through and made its first stop in Oskaloosa. The club held a fundraiser by selling hot dogs, pork burgers, chicken legs, steak sandwiches, pop and Gatorade to the mass of approximately 5,600 motorcyclists. It was quite a sight. It's not every day that you find that many people in Oskaloosa, Kansas! The fundraiser was successful in profiting over \$500 for the club. Not too bad for about 4 hours work. Next year we will know to buy more meat!
- The club is preparing for their 2nd Annual Chili Cook-Off on October 30th. Details are available on the district website home page under Club Events.



CLUB NEWS

Sunset Rotary Club of Johnson County (Prov)

- **THANK YOU SHAWNEE ROTARY CLUB!** At the club's regular meeting on September 4th, several visitors from the Shawnee Club were welcomed. The Shawnee Club was presented Sunset with their Rotary Bell and Rotary Banner, as well as continuing to offer the new club ongoing support. Those attending from Shawnee Rotary Club were President Kathleen Whalen, President-elect Patrick Hammond, Secretary John Beal, ADG Paul Ridgway, Jean Nelson, Linda Leeper, and David Huston.

Charter Celebration!

Since starting in April of 2010 with a core of 10+ members, the Sunset Rotary Club of Johnson County has been steadily growing in membership. They invite all Rotarians and guests to join them as they celebrate their chartering at the beautiful Ritz Charles. District Governor John Vandewalle will be the featured speaker. Proceeds above expenses will be donated to a Rotary project, to be announced at the event. They are happy to announce their chartering event to be held on:

October 19th, 6:00 pm at the Ritz Charles
9700 W 137th, Overland Park, KS
Tickets—\$45/person \$80/couple
Includes heavy hors d'oeuvres and a selection of beverages.
Contact: Cindy Huston, chopks@hotmail.com

Spring Hill Rotary Club



L to R: Linda Rogers transferred from the Gardner Rotary Club to Spring Hill. She is pictured with President Johnny Ford. Nancy Kalman was a Rotarian in Springfield, Missouri and is now with Spring Hill. She is pictured also with President Johnny. The club honored the life of deceased wife (Lee) of club member Earl Marvin with a tree, plaque and ceremony.

Frankfort Rotary Club

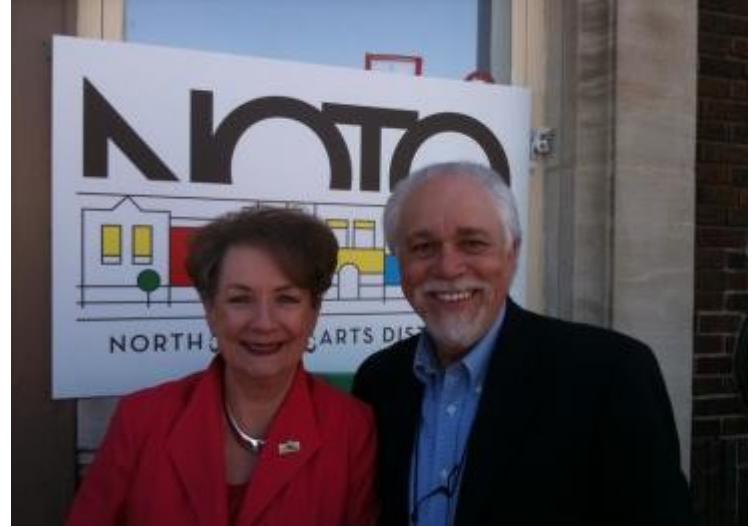
- The club hosted an all school barbecue for students partaking in any sports, faculty, parents and the public. The club furnished hamburgers, hot dogs, potato chips and beans with each Rotarian bringing two covered dishes to complete the menu. The event was well attended. There was lots of good food with everyone mingling and having a good time. Rotarian Kirby Vaughn brought his grill and several Rotarians came early to help with the cooking. Several Rotarians helped with the clean up.
- The club members are attending meetings well—73% of the members attended in the month of August!

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Topeka Downtown Rotary Club



A Paul Harris Award was presented to Kansas Governor Mark Parkinson at the club's annual meeting at the Topeka County Club. Picture above are Immediate Past President, Terry Wages, the back of President Gordon Lansford and Governor Parkinson.



Co-Chairs of a new initiative (NOTO) for an arts district in the historic old town in Topeka spoke at a recent club meeting. President-Elect Anita Wolgast and John Hunter shared the vision and initial success of the NOTO Arts District Project. NOTO stands for North Topeka.

- The club made a donation to Open Arms Outreach Ministry which focuses its programs on youth at risk of gang and criminal activity.

Topeka North Rotary Club

- Three of their sixteen members attended the Foundation, Membership and Leadership seminar in Topeka.
- DG John Vandewalle visited the club. The luncheon was hosted by Julie and Randy Morris at their place of business Midwest Coating.

Village West Rotary Club

- ADG Shelly Fabac, Rich Barbuto, Steve Beaumont, Craig Gaffney, Kevin Gallagher and Bill Eggering all attended the Foundation, Membership and Leadership seminar in Topeka and as usual, found it extremely worthwhile. Two of the club members (Rich Barbuto and Steve Beaumont) were presenters at the seminar, and Rich Barbuto was "master of ceremonies." Way to go, guys—and gal!
- Damien Roll, coach of the T-Bones Baseball Team spoke to the club on the youth programs he is instituting in Kansas City, Kansas.
- The club's three students from RYLA and their Youth Exchange student gave a very enlightening presentation on how Rotary helps to "make a difference" in the lives of young people.
- Father Michael Hermes, President of the (college preparatory) high school Bishop Ward, gave a presentation on the programs at the school.

