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Sunday, Dec. 5

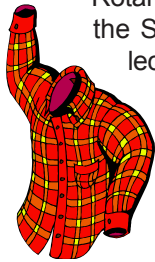
drop-off - 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 12

drop-off - 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Country Club Christian Church

6101 Ward Parkway



Rotary will again partner with the Salvation Army to collect coats and warm clothing to provide assistance for people who are without the means to acquire these things for themselves.

On the above dates the drop-off will be in the Chapel just north of the main church. This drive is important to the many, many people in Kansas City who need the clothes. If
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Thursday's Meeting



November 11, 2004

"KANSAS CITY'S GREATEST GENERATION"

Gary W. Swanson, Veterans History Project



In October 2000 the U.S. Congress asked the Library of Congress to establish a Veterans History Project to get first-person stories from men and women who have served in the military during wartime.

As the leading volunteer interviewer for the project nationwide, since January 2003 IBM sales and management executive Gary Swanson has videotaped conversations with 450 men and women in the Kansas City area who served in World War II - Kansas City's Greatest Generation.

Many big picture books have been published on armies, navies, battles, strategies and generals and admirals. But little documentation is available about what the men and women who did the work have to say. The Veterans History Project aims to remedy that gap in the history books through the work of volunteers like Gary Swanson.

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Trianon Room



Invocation:
Brandon Boulware



Welcome:
Chris Watkins

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

(All meetings will be held in the Lido, Burgundy or Trianon E Rooms unless otherwise noted.)

November 17:

Board of Directors
4:00 -- Location TBA

November 18:

Scholarship
11:00 -- Jay McShann A

December 9:

New Member Orientation
10:30 -- Lido Room
Membership C&Q
11:00 -- Burgundy Room

December 16:

Program
11:00 -- Burgundy Room

Committee members: This is your notification to attend your committee meetings. Please notify your chairman if you cannot be present.

GREETERS: Dan Doty, Ray Rowland, Kirk Carpenter, Glen Miles and Janice Newberry

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS:

Nov. 18 -- Guest Day -- Kay Barnes, Mayor of City of Kansas City, MO (Page 4)

Nov. 25 -- Thanksgiving Day -- No meeting

Dec. 2 -- Club 13 Annual Christmas Party

(Mark your calendars - more details later)

Dec. 9 -- Len Lauer, Sprint President & COO and President Sprint SCS



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**LAST THURSDAY --
 October 28, 2004**



by
 Denny Bolte

The Great Debates _____, is the duly elected representative of the 5th district of Missouri. When you read this you can fill in the blank. Club 13 hosted a debate between Jeanne Patterson and Emanuel Cleaver. The format was reduced to conform to our time frame and after their opening remarks and four questions, both candidates used a five-minute wrap-up to summarize their thoughts, goals, and aspirations for the office. The whole affair was conducted with dignity and decorum. Much of the credit for this belongs to **Steve Burger**, our program chairman, and **Myron Sildon** for being the MC. This was a pleasant change from the acrimony and hate ads that have characterized their campaigns. Perhaps it is age, perhaps it is the constant bombarding of my senses, perhaps it is wisdom, but I am sick and tired of this whole election process.

The candidates spent nearly \$5 million. This borders on the insane. Do

you realize what we could have done with this at the Camp? **Dan Doty** at City Union Mission, **Ted Dalberg** at Salvation Army or **Matt Meyer** or **Mike Tarry** at the American Red Cross could have certainly put this money to a much better use. The bigger question for all of us, did any of these TV ads that were filled with half truths, innuendoes, distortions and outright lies change our minds?

When you read this, the national and state elections will be over. Were the people we elected good, honorable, dedicated, hard-working public-spirited citizens? Or are they people that are bored, looking for excitement, who have big egos and are hungry for power.

One common thread seem to run through all of this: When they leave office they all land on their feet with bigger and better jobs than they had before and as a reward they receive pensions that would boggle the mind.

Turn back the clock 228 years and lets look at the "politicans" of that day. These were the signers of the Declaration of Independence. Of the 56 men, five were captured by the British and tortured before they died. Twelve had their homes burned, nine died of wounds from the war. Carter Braxton saw his ships sunk by the British and died in rags. Thomas McKeam had to move his family constantly to hide them; he died penniless. Dillery, Hall, Clymer, Walton, Gwinnett, Heyward, Rutledge and Middleton became destitute. John Hart was driven from his wife's bedside while she was dying. Their 13 children fled for their lives. He lived in a cave in the forest for more than a year, only to return and find his wife dead and his children vanished. He died shortly thereafter. These are examples of dedication to duty and country and they hold no relevance to this past election. As you might surmise, I am glad it is over. Let's hope for some common sense and election reform.

My name is **Denny Bolte** and I approve of this message.

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you haven't worn it in two years, you probably no longer need it. If you have other clothes (including shoes) you no longer use, plan to bring them, too.

We also will need volunteers to man the pick-up at the church. Tyros, this is a fine opportunity to collect six points while doing good for our community. Please contact **Rob Becker** at 816/333-4226 or the Rotary office at 816/842-2322.

Ring Bells for Salvation Army

Have you signed up yet to ring bells for Salvation Army? We have 10 locations and four Saturdays to fill from Nov. 13 through Dec. 11, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

The locations are: Gordman's (one block south of 95th & Quivira); Price Chopper (95th & Mission Rd.); J. C. Penney's (Oak Park Mall); Kansas Sampler (Mission Mall); Hy-Vee (135th & Antioch); Hy-Vee (169 Hwy. & 119th St.); McDonald's (Plaza); Eddie Bauer (Plaza); Barnes & Noble (Plaza); and Cheesecake Factory (Plaza).

This week, Nov. 13, is our first week of service. We still need volunteers for a few two-hour shifts.

Signup sheets for each date are on the tables at the weekly luncheon. Tyros earn **six** points for each shift.

Give **Jerry Cooke** a call at **(816) 932-9441**.

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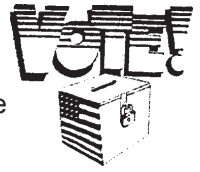
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These Are Your Candidates in the Upcoming Rotary Club 13 Election!

Candidates for Board of Directors

It's nearly time to elect the new leadership of Club 13 to take office in July 2005. There are two candidates for president-elect, two for secretary-treasurer and six candidates for three board seats. Ballots will be mailed out Nov. 22 and must be returned to the Rotary office by Wednesday, Dec. 8. (Ballot are required to be signed.)



Steve Burger



Steve has been a member since 1989. Current classification is Senior Active. He is executive director of Association of Gospel Rescue Missions.

Steve has been Program Committee Chair for the past three years, and has served as a member of that committee and the Fireside Committee.

Steve was a member of the Seattle Rotary Club for 17 years prior to coming to Kansas City.

Steve is a Paul Harris Fellow.

Fred Drummond



Fred joined Club 13 in 2000. His classification is Insurance Education & Training.

He is with Blue Chip Group that offers financial services to business owners and their employees. He has BS and MS degrees from St. Louis University.

Fred is currently co-chair of Membership Development, has served as vice-chair of Program and been an active participant at Camp Enterprise as well as serving on Membership, Camp Enterprise and Program Committees. He is a Paul Harris Fellow.

Peter Ho



Peter joined Club 13 in 2000. Classification: Real-Estate - Business Services. He is a principal with Visor Consulting, L.L.C.

Peter is chair of the Community Service Committee, past co-chair of Downtown Committee, and a member of World Fest Committee. He participates in Greater Kansas City Day and as a bell ringer for our Salvation Army Christmas Drive.

Myron Sildon



Myron joined our Rotary Club in 2002 under the classification Law-Business Succession. He is chairman of Sildon & Evans Law Group, P.C.

Myron is on the Downtown and Program Committees, and unofficially, club humorist with a ready joke, sometimes concerning lawyers. He has served on Long Range, Program and Downtown Committees in prior years.

Ron Trachsel



Ron has been a member of Rotary Club 13 since 1979. His classification is Employment Services. He is a partner with Allied Staffing.

Ron is currently serving his second year as Division Leader of Membership. He has chaired the Double E and Membership Development Committees and has served on Membership C & Q. Ron is a Paul Harris Fellow.

Scott Wagner



Steve has been a member since 1999. Classification: Public Relations-Event Marketing.

He is owner of Wagner Marketing ESP.

Scott is Division Leader for Marketing. He is chair of the Public Relations Committee, and is on the Photography Committee. He chaired Camp Enterprise in 2002. Scott is editor of the Life @ Rotary blue sheets on our tables every Thursday. He has served on Camp Enterprise, Downtown, and Public Relations.

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Chuck Vogt, Jr.



Bowling
News

by Dick Harmes

As I was thumbing through the recap sheets, the one bowler who really deserves a hats off is **Howard Adrian**. **Howard** rolled a third game 170 +63. Now that will put a smile on your face **Howard!** Then how about former Colorado Buffalo basketball star **Paul Schmidt**. **Paul's** first game was 118 (Afterwards he came down and informed his protegee, **Ken Smith**, of his disgust). But hold on Nellie. **Paul** came back and rolled a 161 and 167. Way to go **Howard** and **Paul**. Then another C.P.A. (*can't prove anyway*), **Mike Prestia**, rolled a 198 +61 on his first game and then a 170 +33 on his third game.

We should mention

Dan Couch 209, 247, 202 658.

Linda O'Dell 170, 180, 146 496

(Almost, Linda.)

Carl DiCapo 182, 198, 192 572.

We should not mention **Ken Smith** 88 - 77. (*Sorry Ken.*)

Congratulations



Congratulations to **Woody Davis** on his recently being named a recipient of the Charles Evans Whittaker Award at the Lawyers Association of Kansas City luncheon held at the Westin Crown Center.

This award is named after Supreme Court Justice Whittaker, who founded the Lawyers Association of Kansas City. In his acceptance speech, **Woody** shared highlights of his time in Washington, D.C. when he clerked for Whittaker.

Guest Day is Set for Nov. 18



Your Membership Development Committee has set our next Guest Day for Thursday, Nov. 18. This will afford you the opportunity to invite that special friend(s) to experience meeting the members from the Friendliest Rotary Club in the World and seeing what Club 13 is all about. A special guest reception will take place prior to the lunch program in the Harvest Room (first floor of the Marriott) beginning at 11:15 a.m. We will then proceed to the Count Basie Ballroom for the luncheon. Take a moment and invite a guest to this special program.

Our featured speaker will be **Kay Barnes**, Mayor of the City of Kansas City, MO. She will speak on "A New Day for Kansas City."

We will be glad to invite your guests by a written formal invitation. Please submit names and addresses of your potential member guest(s) via e-mail at office@rotary13.org or you may fax the form below to the Rotary office at 816-842-7766.

You are a Rotarian because someone shared Rotary with you. Why not return the favor? Let's share our pride in Rotary Club 13!

GUEST DAY -- November 18, 2004

My Guest Name: _____
 Company Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Sponsor: _____

R. I. Chicago Convention

On Wednesday, Oct. 27, 28 Rotarians and spouses met at the home of **Rick** and Sarah **Beyer** to discuss the upcoming RI convention in Chicago.



Kirk Carpenter, chairman of Club 13's participation in the RI convention, presented many details on the convention and fielded questions regarding transportation, Chicago venues, hotel arrangements, and the plenary sessions. Several Rotarians who had attended Rotary conventions gave testimonials on past international conventions.

Since this is the 100th anniversary of Rotary, the Chicago convention promises to be an outstanding event and all Rotarians are urged to attend. There is a saving for those who make their convention registrations before Dec. 31 and the registration form is available in the Rotarian magazine and also on the Rotary website www.rotary.org. Club 13 has blocked rooms at the Allegro Hotel. If interested in booking a room, contact Janet in the Rotary Office.

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