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### CPR/AED Duty Schedule Aug. 23, 2007

1. Leader — **Christy Chester**
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3. Defib — **Bob Lager**

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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

### August 23:

**Program Committees  
Board Liaison —**

**Peter Ho, Matt Meyer**  
11:00 — Trianon E

**Education Excellence**  
11:00 — Lido Room

**Y. C. Capital Campaign**  
11:00 — Burgundy Room

### September 6:

**New Member Orientation**  
10:30 — Lido Room

**Membership C & Q**  
11:15 — Burgundy Room

### September 27:

**Program**  
11:00 — Burgundy Room

**Literacy Kansas City**  
11:00 — Lido Room

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

Thursday's Meeting



August 23, 2007

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His command provides logistics support for the Air Force Reserve's 442nd Fighter Wing, Missouri Army National Guard's 1st Battalion, 135th Aviation Unit, and the Navy Reserve's Mobile Inshore Undersea Warfare Unit 114.

After graduating from the Air Force Academy in 1981, Bisconi's assignments included wing command in the B-52, group and squadron command in the B-2, and service as Aide to the Commander of Air Combat Command. He commanded expeditionary B-52 forces in Operations Desert Storm and Enduring Freedom, and executed CONUS-to-CONUS B-2 missions in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

**Muehlebach Hotel**

**/ 12:00 NOON /**

**Trianon Room**



**Invocation:**  
Carey Casey



**Welcome:**  
Richard Atlas

**GREETERS:** Our Program Committee Chairs will serve as this week's greeters.

### UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS:

August 30 — Annual Family Picnic at Rotary Youth Camp

September 6 — Deborah Stafford, Supervisory Special Agent, Joint Terrorism Task Force, FBI

September 13 — Guest Day — "Stand of Colors" — Royal Hall

September 15-16 — Camp Enterprise Session at Rotary Camp

September 20 — Clark Hunt, Kansas City Chiefs

Meeting will be held at Arrowhead Club



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**LAST THURSDAY --**  
**August 9, 2007**



by  
 Jim Holmberg

Last Thursday we had the privilege of meeting a man who is passionate about keeping us safe. For 17 years Jim Kanatzar has enforced the law and now serves Jackson County as prosecuting attorney, leading a staff of 200, including 70 attorneys. Adding in traffic tickets, his office files about 16,000 cases per year, but the heavy lifting is working the 6,000 cases ranging from "bad checks to homicides."

At first, his stated goal "to reduce the number of crimes in Jackson County" sounded pretty simplistic, but it was interesting to learn that a primary tactic is to address the problems of former inmates as they re-enter society, not to increase the conviction rate. Each year, the Missouri Department of Corrections paroles between 2,000 and 8,000 inmates into Jackson County. Kanatzar told us we need to address the education, job training, economic, social and cultural issues they face to reduce the

35% of former inmates who recommit crimes.

Kanatzar took a few minutes to discuss the disturbing trend of senseless violent crime. Such crime is often driven by drugs, anger or both. He encouraged us to support the Combat Tax as funding for drug diversion and anger management programs.

He spent a large part of his time discussing issues concerning offenders but you could tell this prosecutor's heart is really on the side of victims. Kanatzar said it's challenging to address a victim's doubt that "the system" will deliver justice. A typical case takes a year-and-a-half to handle and often even witness cooperation is a major part of the battle. He said the feeling is hard to describe, but it is "very, very rewarding to bring justice to people who don't believe the system will work for them."

**Tom Geha** introduced Prosecutor Kanatzar to Club 13. Committee chairs from our Involvement Division greeted us as we entered the Trianon Room. We opened the meeting singing our favorite (or most easily remembered) song, "God Bless America," with the skillful direction of **Charlie Huffman** and the keyboard skills of **Carl Bolte**.

**Dennis Chapman** offered our invocation. **Leslie Bitterman** welcomed a half-dozen guests and a visiting Rotarian.

**Eric Frye** gave heartfelt and well-spoken memorial remarks honoring his father-in-law and outstanding Rotarian **Don Smith** who passed away Sunday, Aug. 5.

It was a welcome sight to see **Jim Shultz** and **Dave Norton** back with us. **Dick Brown** and **Don Seifert** remain in recovery bay.

**Jay Menitove** stepped into the Rotarian spotlight and encouraged us to roll up our sleeves, extend our arms and save a life right here and right now through the Community Blood Center. His remarks drew a hearty "Amen" from **Debra Shultz**, who stood to tell us how valuable available blood was to their family just this past week.

There's a lot on our plate for this fall. Remember the Family Picnic on Aug. 30, the special Stand of Colors guest day on Sept. 13, Camp Enterprise and the Leon Triggs Memorial Golf Classic. See you next Thursday.

**STAND OF COLORS**



You've heard President Chuck talk about it; you've seen the committee meet; bring a guest — come to the meeting and find out what the excitement is all about.

Stand of Colors is going to be the largest Civil War re-enactment in Kansas City's history and it's going to be hosted by Rotary Club 13.

During our Sept. 13 Rotary meeting you'll learn about the realism and excitement that is involved in a re-enactment. This will be one of our club's most unique programs with our presenters in Civil War uniforms and with a video presentation of what a battle looks like.

This is a perfect time to bring future Rotarians because they will learn about an exciting new event and the reason for the event for our Youth Camp.

Our featured speaker will be Lt. Col. Terry L. Crowder, commander - 4th Brigade. Col. Crowder is a veteran of over 150 re-enactments in the past 10 years. He began service as a trooper in the 10th Missouri Cavalry, came through the ranks and has served as commander of 10th Missouri. He has served as chief of cavalry for the Western Brigade for two years and was appointed provisional chief of calvary for Spring Hill 1997 and Vicksburg 1998.

Col. Crowder commands the Division's Cavalry Brigade.

Mark your calendars for the Sept. 13 program and let us invite your guests to this special meeting, along with a pre-reception at 11:15 a.m. You may e-mail your guest(s) information to the Rotary office at [janet@rotary13.org](mailto:janet@rotary13.org).




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## Bingo Prizes Needed!

Your Entertainment Committee is in the planning stages for this year's Family Picnic at the camp. It's scheduled to take place on Thursday, Aug. 30. One event everyone looks forward to is playing BINGO after the picnic dinner. The reason this is such a popular game is due to the wonderful prizes donated by Rotarians for the winners of each round of bingo.

Now is the time for you to consider what you can offer as a gift. Please contact Janet or Marilyn in the Rotary office to let them know about the prizes you are offering. Arrangements will be made to pick them up from your location. This year's picnic is shaping up nicely. It should be a great family night for our club. B...4 you plan anything else this summer...plan to play bingo on Thursday, Aug. 30. Mark your calendars for this annual event.

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Tony DiPardo  
at his 95th  
Birthday Bash!**

**Sunday, Aug. 26, 2007**  
**Hyatt Regency Hotel**  
4:00 -6:00 PM Martini Dance  
6:30-9:00 PM Sit Down Dinner  
Tickets \$125 per person  
*Proceeds benefit the  
Tony DiPardo Music Foundation.*  
RSVP to Carl DiCapo  
at 816/456-2343

## Camp Enterprise 2007 Getting in Gear



September is just around the corner and soon it will be our Camp Enterprise 2007 session. Camp will be Sept. 15-16. Please reserve these dates on your calendar because we will need you as a volunteer that weekend. There will be flexible hours and flexible responsibilities. You can come and spend the whole weekend or come for a few hours. You can be a group leader, help in the kitchen, play warden on overnight duty, set up camp, guide the busses or entertain at the campfire. No matter what you choose to do, it will be rewarding. And don't forget Tyros, extra points for volunteering.

If you are interested in being part of this great experience, e-mail **Paula Willett** at [pwillett@dfckc](mailto:pwillett@dfckc) or call her at 816/412-1704.

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## In Memoriam



**Donald O. Smith**  
1935-2007

Donald "Don" O. Smith, a member of Club 13 since 1977, passed away peacefully in his home on Sunday, Aug. 5, after a long bout of pancreatic cancer.

Don served on the club's board of directors in 2001-2003. He also served as chairman of the Literacy Kansas City Committee, Ecology and International Service Committee. Don was also on the District's GSE Committee and had been a member of the Ecology, Laubach Literacy, Community Service, Camp Enterprise and Mentoring Committees.

Don was a Paul Harris Fellow.

Survivors include his wife, Kathy; son, Seth Smith; daughter and son-in-law, Sibley and Eric Frye; granddaughters Allison and Elizabeth Frye; sister-in-law Betsy Weigel, husband Dave and nephew Paul Weigel.

A contribution to the K.C.R.C. Foundation has been made in Don's memory.

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ANDY BEYER

### Attention: All Bowlers



Beginners, average and semi-professionals, it's time to dust off your ball. It's time to be a member of the bowling league where all the action is.

Our first official bowling will begin on Sept. 4 to establish averages.

We bowl every Tuesday afternoon, starting with warmups at 3:30 p.m. and league play at 4:00 p.m. We bowl three games and generally finish by 6:30 p.m.

We bowl at AMF West Lanes at 8788 Metcalf Ave. in Overland Park, KS. It is great fun and a real opportunity for Rotary fellowship.

This is one of the best ways to get to know your fellow Rotary members.

Tyros can earn six points for participating on the bowling league. So, if you've been thinking about joining, now is the time. Contact **Dick Retrum**, president of the bowling league, at 913/648-7543.

### 19th Annual Rotary Youth Camp Golf Classic



**(The Leon Triggs Memorial Golf Classic)**  
**Monday, September 24, Fred Arbanas Golf Course (Longview Lake), 12 noon shotgun start**

\$150 per player

Includes: golf fees, carts, lunch, goody bag, prizes, cocktails & steak dinner at the Rotary Youth Camp.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Make checks payable to: Rotary Youth Camp

Proceeds of this event go to the operations of the camp.

I will be a hole sponsor for \$150

I will donate a prize (minimum \$25 value)

### Golf Classic - Sept. 24

Rotarians, we need your help to make the upcoming Golf Classic a success!



Here are the three main areas we hope you can consider:

1. Bring a team. We are looking for a full field of golfers. A number of Rotarians have committed to signing up a team and three non-Rotarian guests. This will assure a full field. There is no better way to introduce a prospective Rotarian to our club than a super social event!

2. Commit to bring a prize. We are looking for many gifts in the \$25 range of value. This could be a logo company shirt or jacket, a golf umbrella, or it might just be something you go out and buy and donate. Let's send as many guests as we can home with a prize — make them happy they spent the day with us.

3. Donate 144 of anything for the goody bag. This could be pens, towels, golf tees, golf balls, etc. You get the idea. Anything we can put in the grab bag for all the golfers to get one.

If you are able to help in any (or all) of these areas, let **Robert Thompson** or the Rotary office know. The gifts or giveaways can be dropped off at lunch or we can get by to pick them up. We would like to have them before the day of the tournament.

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