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KANSAS CITY, MO



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A wonderful, "once in a lifetime" opportunity awaits us eight months from now. You and I are going to be the stars, in Los Angeles, at the next Rotary International Convention, whose theme is "See the Stars." The dates June 15-18, 2008.

Here's the deal: The first 16 founding clubs of Rotary, of which we are one, will be honored on the main stage during a plenary session in our matching blazers, slacks or shirts, singing a song such as *Everything's Up to Date in Kansas City*, plus having a booth
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CPR/AED Duty Schedule November 1, 2007

1. Leader — **Rick Halterman**
2. Compress — **Ken Craven**
3. Defib — **Rick Beyer**

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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

November 1:

New Member Orientation

10:30 — Lido Room

Membership C&Q

11:15 — Burgundy Room

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11:00 — Trianon E

November 8:

Membership Development

11:00 — Lido Room

Ecology

11:00 — Burgundy Room

Y.C. Capital Campaign

11:00 — Trianon E

Thursday's Meeting



November 1, 2007

RICK ATKINSON, SENIOR EDITOR, *THE WASHINGTON POST*



Currently on book leave from *The Washington Post*, Rick Atkinson most recently served as assistant editor for investigations. His career in journalism began at *The Pittsburg (Kan.) Morning Sun* in 1976; in 1977, he moved to *The Kansas City Times*, where he worked for six years.

In 1983, he joined the *The Washington Post* as a general assignment reporter and subsequently covered the Pentagon and the 1984 presidential election. After returning from a book leave in 1989, he worked as a reporter on the investigative staff, producing series on the B-2 bomber, public housing and the savings and loan scandal. In 1991, he wrote most of the lead stories on the Persian Gulf War.

In 1993 he became the *Post's* Berlin bureau chief, and he returned from Europe to become assistant managing editor in 1996.

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Trianon Room



Invocation:

George Heymach



Welcome:

Richard Brown

GREETERS: New members and their sponsors will serve as our greeters this week.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS:

November 1 — Rick Atkinson, senior editor at *The Washington Post*

November 3 — District 6040 Foundation Dinner, Armacost Museum

November 8 — Veteran's Day Program — Marty Robinson, head public defender who has returned from Iraq

November 10 — Salvation Army bell ringing begins

November 15 — Nathaniel Philbrick, author



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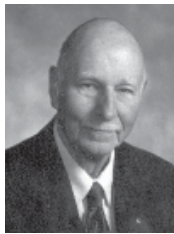
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**LAST THURSDAY --
 October 18, 2007**



by
Bob Weir

Prez **Chuck** opened our meeting with his pointed reference to the Committee Chairs Greeters contributing their works as to why Rotary is the great service club that it is. This idea was further expanded by our speaker, Ray Klingensmith, on the world humanitarian projects of Rotary International. Ray, who is a past R.I. director, has served as trustee and vice-chairman of The Rotary Foundation. He currently is a member of the Future Vision Committee and has seen Rotary at work and the success of its projects around the world.

His early exposure to Rotary solidified his future involvement when he was a Rotary scholar in South Africa at the height of apartheid where Rotary was the only organization free of racial discrimination. Ray pointed out that Rotary is the leading force in the world for humanitarian projects and world peace.

Tenor **Bob Lager** and twinkle-fin-

gers **Bole** led us through "America the beautiful"; **Hall Harsh** read Roy Rogers rules and concluded the invocation with "Lord, help us all!" **Marie Whitmer** gave a nice, personal remembrance to **Cass Cassing**, and **Cynde Gamache** introduced visitors and many local club president's who were in attendance to honor our speaker.

Ray Klingensmith, our speaker, besides all his other duties, is the chairman of next year's Rotary Convention in Los Angeles, so **Jim Porter** used this meeting to start getting Club 13 members to attend. Our club is one of the first 16 and will be honored. All will have a special good time, **Jim** promised.

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provided free in the House of Friendship where historical and meaningful moments in our Club 13's rich history will be displayed.

To make this happen, we need 20 active Rotarians from our club to attend. I think we'll have lots more. We have 20 rooms reserved at the Westin Bonaventure Hotel – less than half a mile from the convention center.

We have 15 signed up now. We lose any unfilled hotel reservations on Dec. 4. Our own Rotary stars are lined up. Our own district's past International Director Ray Klingensmith chairs the convention. Our club's own **Sally Bibb** is District Governor and our club's own PDG **John Miller** is in charge of encouraging attendance in the Western half of the U.S. Come on and go – we'll have a great time. Call Janet or myself and we'll sign you up. It's a great opportunity to see Rotary International fellowship at its best and honor our wonderful club! We often tout our club's prowess – let's prove it with a great turnout. I look forward to hearing from you! **Jim Porter**, Conference/Convention Committee Chair

In Memoriam



**Ellsworth F.
 "Cass" Cassing**
 1920- 2007

Ellsworth F. "Cass" Cassing, a member of Club 13 since 1977, died Oct. 18 at his home.

Cass retired in 1987 as vice president of General Heating and Cooling Company, North Kansas City, MO.

As a Rotarian, Cass's primary interest and expertise was in the area of communications and multi-media activities. He was extensively involved in Rotary International's World Fellowship Activities (WFA) and the International Tape Recording Fellowship of Rotarians (ITRFA). Cass served as Club 13's WFA group for a number of years as well as district chair of this group.

Cass held life memberships in numerous engineering societies, and was a hobbyist in the fields of amateur radio, computers and photography.

Cass was a Paul Harris Fellow. Survivors include his wife, Marguerite, sons David and James, daughter Nancy, and six grandchildren..

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

CPR-AED Classes

Once again we are offering CPR classes for everyone. You will learn the newest CPR techniques. You never know where or when you will be called upon to resuscitate someone — in a plane, a restaurant, in church, even at home with your grandchild.

On **Nov. 15** and **Nov. 29**, we will be offering classes to **new folks** after Rotary in Trianon E, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m., where we will teach you CPR. Cost to participate is \$35, half of which will be paid by the club if you are willing to be a part of our team roster.

For those trained already we have reserved **Dec. 6**, 1:15 p.m.- 2:15 p.m., in Trianon E for a refresher course at no cost to you. Please RSVP to the Rotary office at 816-842-2322.

TELL A FRIEND...

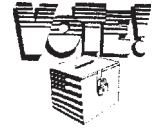
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These Are Your Board Candidates in the Upcoming Election!

It's nearly time to elect the new leadership of Club 13 to take office in July 2008. Six candidates have been nominated to fill three seats on the board of directors for a term of two years. Ballots will be mailed out Nov. 21 (before Thanksgiving) and must be returned to the Rotary office by Dec. 13. All returned ballots are required to be signed on the backs of the envelopes. Announcement of the election results will take place at the Dec. 20 luncheon meeting.



Evie Craig

A member of Club 13 since 2003, Evie has the classification Association-reStart. She is the executive director of re-Start, Inc.

This is her third year to chair the Downtown Committee and she has served as a member on Downtown, International Service, Program, Invocation and Greeters.

Evie is also a member of the Greater KC Council on Philanthropy and the Association of Fundraising Professionals; the Mid-America Council on Planned Giving, and serves on the Jackson County Mental Health Commission. She is the chair of the Development Committee of the Homeless Services Coalition of Greater KC and also chairs the Human Services Committee of the Downtown Council of KC.



Bob Edwardson

Bob joined Club 13 in 2003 and holds the classification of Real-Estate - Residential. Bob is a broker-sales executive with Reece and

Nichols.

This is his third year as chair of Literacy Committee and he was recognized as 2006-07 Committee Chair of the Year. Bob has also served as a member of the Tyrotarian, International Service and Vocational Service Committees.

Bob has also been involved with Habitat for Humanity as the Home Construction Project Chair and as a medical aid volunteer in Haiti. He has also served as a tutor for Literacy KC, student mentor at DeLaSalle School and teacher with Junior Achievement.

Bob is a Paul Harris Fellow and a K.C. Rotary Club Foundation Fellow.



Rick Kappa

Rick has been a member of Club 13 since 1992. He holds the classification of Management - Information Storage.

Rick is president of ABC Business Records, Inc./ABC Fireproof Warehouse.

He has served on the following committees: Downtown, Ecology, Spirit Festival, Tyrotarian, Greater K.C. Day, Entertainment, Mentoring.

He also chaired the Public Relations Committee in 1999-2000 and 2000-2001.

Rick was instrumental in coordinating the club's centennial project which was the placement of a telescope in Case Park.

Rick is a Paul Harris Fellow.



Dick Retrum

Dick is president of ROR Enterprises, Inc. and joined Rotary in 2004.

This is his third year to chair the Entertainment Committee and he has also served as a member on the Program and Nominating Committees.

Currently, he is president of Club 13's Bowling League and has served as its secretary in 2006-07.

Dick was recognized as the Tyrotarian of the Year in 2004-05. He has also been a corner captain for Gr. K.C. Day for the past two years. He spent two weeks in the Ukraine on Club 13's humanitarian project.

Currently, he is assisting District Governor Sally Bibb as District Conference Co-chair, making arrangements for the district conference which will be held at the Hyatt Hotel in April of 2008.

Both Dick and his spouse, Carol, are Paul Harris Fellows as well as K.C. Rotary Club Foundation Fellows.

Have you remembered the Rotary Club Foundation with a contribution?



Bill Strout

Bill is a sales executive with Schifman, Remley and Associates. He joined Club 13 in 2003 with the classification of Insurance-Property and Casualty.

Bill has chaired the Spring Golf event (2007), Bill Brown Warm Clothing Drive (2005-06-07) and Corporate Sponsorships Greater K. C. Day (2006-07). He has also served on Membership C & Q (2004-05); Downtown (2004) and Fall Golf Classic (2006-07).

Bill has been involved coordinating events for the Younger Rotarian affinity group and participated in the Club 13 Golf Tourney (2006-07) as well as bowling (2004-05).



Tom Tatro

Tom became a Rotarian in 1995 with the Wichita, KS Rotary Club and served as a director for two years. He also served as an assistant governor for

District 5690.

Tom joined Club 13 in 2000 with the classification of Office Furniture - Retail. Currently, he is chairing the R.I. Foundation and the International Service Committees for the second year. He has also served on the Downtown Committee.

His Rotary involvement includes Salvation Army bellringing, hosting a GSE team member and Greater KC Day newspaper sales.

Tom is a multiple Paul Harris Fellow, R.I. Benefactor and a sustaining K.C.R.C. Foundation Fellow.

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BOWLING NEWS:

by Dick Retrum



The unbelievable has happened to the UNBOWLIEVABLES. The captain of their team was injured two weeks ago while bowling a perfect strike (thought I was going to say game didn't you?) in the last frame of the third game. He pulled or tore a muscle in his right arm. League physicians flown in from Mayo's have placed him on injured reserve. It's not clear if he will be able to bowl again this season. Surgery is possible. It's also rumored that he might be traded for a higher draft pick next year. He was a walk-on three years ago as a Tyro and has developed into a 189 average bowler. He was captain of the first place SHUDDABINS from last season and is this years Club 13 League President. He also writes this column for the *BuzzSaw*. He was unavailable for comment when the news broke about this possibly season ending injury. However, his teammates enthusiastically encouraged him to bowl left handed until his right arm healed..... to which he responded, "NUTS."

There were great scores all over the alley today and what would a high game report be without **Jeff Van Horn's** 267? He had eight strikes in a row and a 610 series. Dan Couch 246, George Moody 229, **Norm Waters** 219, Dave Boone 212, **John Reynolds** 205, Bill Riney 204, **Mike Prestia** 202 (his first in many years), Del Karmeier 201 and Wesley Gill 201. Congratulations.

Contribute to your KC Rotary Club Foundation

Volunteers needed for Dictionary Project

Club 13's Literacy Committee is ready to launch this year's support by Club 13 of Dictionary Project - Kansas City and we are in need of volunteers. We will be delivering dictionaries to eager third graders in approximately 15 schools in the greater Kansas City area. Volunteers will be assigned in pairs (or solo if you prefer) to one or more schools to deliver the dictionaries and make a 30-minute presentation to the class, helping them get started in their use of the dictionary. An attempt will be made to have at least one experienced volunteer on each team and a script and sample DVD for the presentation will be provided. The total time requirement, including preparation and travel time, should be about two-three hours or less and can be scheduled at a time that is convenient for the volunteers. Presentations should be completed by year-end, if possible.

Your contribution of a few hours to assist a young student in the use of a dictionary may have a significant positive impact on their learning potential. If you can help out, please contact the committee chair, **Bob Edwardson**, at 816-665-5972 (cell), or via email at edwardson@reeceandnichols.com. Tyros can earn six points for volunteering to help with this project.

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Milburn Country Club is the site for Club 13's Auxiliary November meeting, which will be held on Thursday, Nov. 1.

Take a step back in time to the days when memories of loved ones were found in jewelry, wreaths and frames. Come and hear Leila Cohoon of Independence for the history and the tradition of hair weaving.

Social time begins at 11:30 a.m.; followed by lunch at noon.

Make your reservations by calling Marcia Beardsley at 913-648-7792.

Volunteers needed for bell-ringing

This year, we will have eight locations and four Saturdays to fill, from Nov. 10 through Dec. 8, from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

The locations are: J.C. Penney's (Oak Park Mall, inside upstairs); Hy-Vee (135th Street); Hy-Vee (123rd & State Line); Price Chopper (95th & Mission Road); Barnes & Noble (Plaza); McDonalds (Plaza); Halls (Plaza-East door) and Halls (Plaza-West door).

Nov. 10 is approaching quickly so we must get our volunteers as soon as possible. Each shift is two hours in duration. Tyros can earn eight points for each shift.

Help chairman **Don Stebbins** out and give him a call at **913-980-6323**.

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