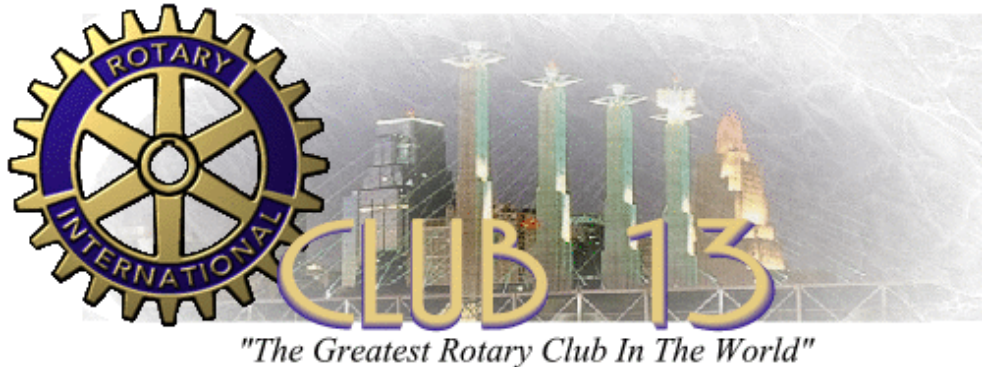


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A wonderful, once-in-a-lifetime opportunity awaits us eight months from now. You and I are going to be the stars, in Los Angeles, at the next Rotary International Convention, whose theme is "See the Stars." The dates are June 15-18, 2008.

Here's the deal: The first 16 founding clubs of Rotary, of which we are
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CPR/AED Duty Schedule November 8, 2007

1. Leader — **George Heymach**
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COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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

November 8:

Membership Development

11:00 — Tea Room

Ecology

11:00 — Burgundy Room

Y.C. Capital Campaign

11:00 — Trianon E

November 15:

Youth Camp Association

10:00 — Burgundy Room

Education Excellence

11:00 — Lido Room

November 21

Board of Directors

4:00 — All Star Awards

835 W. 39th St., KC, MO

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

Thursday's Meeting



November 8, 2007

"A LAWYER'S EXPERIENCE IN IRAQ, AND ITS IMPLICATIONS FOR LEADERSHIP VALUES" BRIG. GEN. J. MARTIN (MARTY) ROBINSON



Raised on a farm in Webster County, MO, Brig. Gen. J. Martin (Marty) Robinson was an ROTC scholarship student at Southwest Missouri State University. Commissioned a second lieutenant in 1979, he entered active duty in 1982 after graduating from the UMKC law school.

After four years of active duty at Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD, he returned to the Kansas City area and entered private practice. He continued in the Army Reserve with the 418th Civil Affairs Company in Belton, MO.

Robinson began Missouri Army National Guard service in 1988. In April 2006 he was mobilized to active duty in Iraq and served there until his unit redeployed in September 2006. His current assignment is special assistant to the judge advocate general.

In civilian life Robinson is state director of the Missouri State Public Defender System.

Muehlebach Hotel / 12:00 NOON / Colonial Ballroom



Invocation:
Ted Bertram



Welcome:
Jim Shultz

GREETERS: Nominees for our 2008 Board of Directors will serve as this week's greeters.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS:

November 10 — Salvation Army bell ringing begins

November 15 — Nathaniel Philbrick, author

November 22 — Thanksgiving Day — No luncheon meeting

November 29 — Chris Kuehl, managing director, Armada Corporate Intelligence, will speak on "The Multi-Levels of Economic Reality (Mortgage Crisis+)"



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LAST THURSDAY --
October 25, 2007



by
 Jim Holmberg

Last Thursday we witnessed the promised return of Mayor Mark Funkhouser who, about eight months ago, was at the Club 13 podium as a candidate for the city's top job. A good-sized crowd, including five city councilmen, a dozen other guests and three visiting Rotarians, was on hand to hear what he had to say and see him receive his badge as our newest honorary Rotarian. Always ready with a quick quip, President-elect **Myron Sildon** had the honor of introducing this speaker, "who needs no introduction."

His honor quickly detailed a list of the 10 priorities he's printed on the back of his business card. Several times during his presentation he revisited what must be his prime goal: increasing citizen satisfaction with Kansas City's government.

Mayor Funkhouser said he embraces the city council's vision to make KC a thriving and diverse city where people choose to live. He told us his strategy is to focus on accomplishing that vision rather than concern with "the flap of the day." He reminded us that we are Kansas City and the responsibility of making this a city where people choose to live requires every one of

us to exercise our "ownership of the city." Funkhouser called on us to make environmentally responsible choices, which he assured are also sound economic choices.

Kansas City has a lot of needs and the mayor gave us a list of "must do's" to keep the city on track. Renewal of KC's one-cent sales tax tops the list. Secondly, we must improve public transportation with a combination light rail and improved bus system. Funkhouser says KC currently only spends half of what other cities our size put into public transit.

City hall process improvements are high on the list and they are paired with neighborhood preservation and the development of more green space. Crime reduction and violence prevention complete his list of must do's. Funkhouser acknowledged the police department's progress in increasing police visibility, accountability for citizen satisfaction and progress made reducing KC's ranking as one of the most violent U.S. cities.

The mayor used a question about schools as a springboard to promote his local summit on education scheduled for mid-January at the Sprint Center. His vision here is to get all schools including private, public, charter and home schoolers "on the same page" regarding the future of KC's kids.

Our hat's off to **Gerald Lee** for his quick response and skill in helping **Mike Prestia** as he suffered a little medical trauma. **Mike** and **Vince Rawson** occupy recovery bay this week. It was good to have **Denny Bolte** back with us as he is on a recovery fast track after knee replacement.

"God Bless America" was our kickoff song led by **Bob Lager** and his piano sidekick **Carl Bolte**. **Angela Augur** offered our invocation and **Tom Kirkwood** welcomed guests and visitors. President **Chuck** (rhymes with boat) **Vogt** held up his end of the program, leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Robert Thompson passed on the Club 13 Golf Championship trophy to **Bob Hagans** like it was a hot potato. **Don Stebbins** encouraged each of us to sign up for a round of Salvation Army bell ringing. President **Chuck** commended **Gopi Govindan** for his first-class efforts in rallying volunteers to work the Kansas City marathon.

Stand of Colors Chair **Debra Shultz** brought us up to date on that project and named Past President **Rick Halterman** as the "go to guy" for corporate sponsorships.

That's a lot packed into one meeting. I'm going to go rest my writing hand but I'll be there to see you next Thursday.

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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 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 now have **17** signed up. 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

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These Are Your Officer Candidates in the Upcoming Election!

It's nearly time to elect the new leadership of Club 13 to take office in July 2008. There are two candidates for president-elect, two for secretary-treasurer and six candidates for three board seats. Ballots will be mailed out Nov. 20 (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.

Candidates for President-Elect

Guy Martin



Guy is owner of Guy E. Martin, CPA, PC in Overland Park. He joined Club 13 in 1995 with the classification of Accounting & Tax Services.

Guy served as treasurer on the club's board of directors in 2000-01. He has also served as treasurer for District 6040 in 2004-05.

Currently he is serving as treasurer for our K.C.R.C. Foundation. He also served as chair of the Sports Committee in 1999.

His other Rotary activities include: Rotary bowling, Spirit Fest, Holiday CD Drive, Greater K.C. Day, Checkered Flag, Camp Enterprise, Entertainment and Tyrotarian committees.

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

Matt Meyer



Matt is CEO of the American Red Cross of Greater Kansas City. He joined Club 13 in 1997 with the classification of Association-American Red Cross. He is currently chairman of Greeting/Meeting Arrangements, which two committee were combined in 2001. He has chaired them for seven years. He has also served on the Nominating Committee and Spirit Festival Committee.

Matt's other Rotary activities include Greater K.C. Day, World Fest, Salvation Army bell ringing and Firesides.

He is on several boards in the community, a member of the Chamber of Commerce and a volunteer for his church. Matt is also a Paul Harris Fellow.

Candidates for Secretary-Treasurer

Bob Benson



Bob, who is now retired from Black & Veatch, joined Club 13 in 1997. He held the classification of Engineering-Environmental.

He has chaired the Vocational Service Committee (2003-05) and the District 6040 Water Resources Task Force (2005-07).

He has also served on the following committees: Rotary Camp 2007 Capital Campaign, Vocational Service, Campgrounds and History.

Bob is a Paul Harris Fellow.

Marc Horner



Marc joined Club 13 in 1994 with the classification of Electrical Supplies - Wholesale. He is district manager of Crescent Electric Supply Company. Currently he

is serving as a director on the Rotary Club Youth Camp Association. He served as president of the RCYC Association for a two-year term. Marc has also served as chairman of the Rotary Camp Maintenance Committee for the last nine years, coordinating all the work days at the Rotary Camp.

In addition to camp duties, he has chaired the Camp Enterprise Committee and has served on the Spirit Festival and Vocational Service committees. Marc was recognized as Committee Chair of the Year in 2000-01.

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

Paul Harris Fellow Reception



(l. to r.) PRID Ray Klingensmith, PDG Jerry Wilford, Rowland Nofsinger, PDG Carl Chinnery and PDG Jim Porter

Moving and inspirational testimonials were offered at the reception for Paul Harris Fellows on Oct. 18. District Permanent Fund Chair Carl Chinnery moderated the program with comments from **Jim Porter, Rowland Nofsinger** and Jerry Wilford. Optional methods of including the Rotary Foundation in one's estate planning were offered. Past Rotary International Foundation Trustee Ray Klingensmith concluded the reception with a few remarks on the positive impact worldwide of the foundation programs.

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BOWLING NEWS:

by *Dick Retrum*



It has come to my attention that not everyone on the Club 13 Bowling League has the ability to read this column. If you're interested (*and you should be*) you can log on to www.rotary13.org and read the *Buzz Saw* every week. But of course if you're not reading this column in this issue (*and you're probably not*) this information will not be available or useful to you.

Never mind. We'll announce it during league play.

As a follow up, the results of our exhaustive search for the truth related to the question raised a few weeks ago about Martha (Leonard) Voight's 200 game. Was it her first? NO. Her first was rolled in 1999 during league play. When asked about this she said, "Eight years ago? Well it's about time I had a second one! I'm improving."

Speaking of improving. Let's see who bowled our high games today: **Norm Waters 225, John Reynolds 223, Dick Retrum 218** (*what bad arm?*) and Dave Boone 208. Congratulations.

And this just in.....LITTLE WOMEN have made a formal request to change their team name to GLITZY GALS. They think this might change their luck. Without objection the request was approved and seconded. Good luck gals.

Volunteers needed for bellringing

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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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.

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 **eight** points for volunteering to help with this project.

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