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ROTARY CLUB 13
KANSAS CITY, MO



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at your Rotary Youth Camp



Work Day:
8:00 a.m.
Saturday,
Nov. 1

Help Us Make a Camp
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CPR/AED Duty Schedule October 30, 2008

1. Leader — **Bob Lager**
2. Compress — **Terry De Fraties**
3. Defib — **Chuck Vogt**

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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

October 30:

Nominating Committee
1:15 — Eisenhower Room

November 6:

New Member Orientation
10:30 — Lido Room
Membership C&Q
11:15 — Burgundy Room

November 13:

CPR/AED Training
1:15 - 3:15 — Nixon Room

November 19:

Board of Directors
4:00 — Crescent Electric Supply
917 E. 19th Street, 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



October 30, 2008

"WILL ROGERS FOR PRESIDENT" CHARLEY GREEN, AUTHOR AND WILL ROGERS EXPERT



When Charley Green is not in an educator's role, he shifts gears and puts on his Will Rogers hat. He's a lot like Will in his approach to story telling and strives to take a common sense approach with a dash of humor tossed in, when talking or writing about his experiences.

One of the most important topics Charley is passionate about today concerns the substantial debt many college graduates (and their families) have incurred in the pursuit of a college degree. *Debt Free College Education or a Debtor's*

Burden? is changing the way parents and students view the cost of college by challenging their mindset to move from a student loan debt mentality to one of a self-reliant, debt-free prosperity belief.

Going to college can be either an opportunity...or a lifetime of financial challenges.

Muehlebach Hotel / 12:00 NOON / Colonial Ballroom



Invocation:
Karen
Haren



Welcome:
Stacey
Brown



Member Minute:
Grant
Wilkerson

GREETERS: The Women of Rotary will serve as this week's greeters.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS:

- November 1 — Work day at Rotary Youth Camp, 8:00 a.m.
- November 6 — Program to be announced
- November 8 — District 6040 Foundation Dinner (See page 2)
- November 13 — Eric Rosen, artistic director, Kansas City Repertory Theatre
- November 20 — R. Crosby Kemper III, executive director, Kansas City Public Library



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LAST THURSDAY --
October 16, 2008



by
Jim Holmberg

It's going to be some party when Andrews McMeel Universal opens their new headquarters in the Boley building. There is not room in this entire column to list all of the characters who will "be there" but you know many of them well: Cathy, Ziggy, Dilbert, Garfield, Doonesbury, Calvin and Hobbes, too. Last Thursday John McMeel shared how the company grew from two small offices, one in Leawood and one in New York, to be one of the largest creative syndicates and publishers in the world.

He told us it's all about relationships, starting with his relationship with co-founder Jim Andrews. The two met when Andrews was a boarder in McMeel's mother's home in South Bend, IN, and the rest of the story "is history."

The two young entrepreneurs started building a relationship with controversial Yale cartoonist Gary Trudeau, bringing Doonesbury to the world. Editorship of the *National Catholic Reporter* brought Jim Andrews to

KC and he convinced McMeel to come here on a "temporary basis" in the mid 1970s. As McMeel was considering moving back to New York, Andrews died; McMeel decided to stay and set about convincing the creative world to make their submissions to Prairie Village instead of the Big Apple.

It's tough to think of a syndicated column or cartoon that's not represented by Andrews McMeel. Dear Abby, Pat Oliphant, Gary Larson (the Far Side), Jim Davis (Garfield) and more than a hundred others are all represented to the publishing world by AMU. Whatever tickles your fancy — humor, NASCAR, the NFL, cooking, outdoor adventure, photography — you probably have a calendar or book published by Andrews McMeel.

John McMeel's presentation would have been lacking without mentioning Christmas in October. Through the program McMeel co-founded with KC attorney Dick Miller, volunteers will repair and upgrade some 500 homes in KC neighborhoods.

Carl Bolte stepped away from the action side of the piano to introduce our speaker. Earlier, **Carl** and the singing barrister **Harlan Stampler** led us in our opening song and birthday greetings to Rotarians with October birthdays. President **Myron Sildon** did his duty leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mary Kingsley's invocation encouraged us all to have an "attitude of gratitude." **Natalie Hunsaker** introduced our guests and visiting Rotarians. Back in KC after running in the Chicago marathon, **Mary Lou Nash-Herrera** presented our Member Minute. She shared why she is proud to be a Rotarian and told about her staffing business, NRG – Nash Resources Group.

Bill Dietrich is recuperating in recovery bay and it was good to have **Denny Bolte** and his new knee back with us. Past President and 2007 golf champion **Bob Hagans** passed the tournament winner's trophy to **Tom VanDyke**.

Ann Johnson stepped to the podium looking for a few good hosts to preside over the Nov. 12 Fireside meetings. Downtown Committee Chairman **Evie Craig** recognized John McMeel for his commitment to downtown KC. She read a proclamation honoring AMU's corporate culture of dignity, trust and respect.

CPR-AED Classes

Once again we are offering CPR classes for everyone. You will learn 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. 13, we will be offering classes to new folks after Rotary in Nixon Room, 1:15 p.m. -3:00 p.m., where we will teach you CPR. Cost to the participant 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 Nov. 20 and Dec. 11, 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.

District Foundation Dinner to happen on Nov. 8

The major Rotary Foundation fundraising event will be held on Saturday, Nov. 8, at the Armacost Auto Museum in Grandview (4200 East 136th Street). Jeanette Kroes, World Peace Fellow and Ambassadorial Scholar Alumna will be the featured speaker. Jeanette's work at ICPO-Interpol focuses on partnerships for preventing and combating human trafficking particularly of women and children. Her perspectives on how our Rotary Foundation has shaped her career and how her career is influencing peace around the world.

This is the final year for this event to be held at the Armacost Museum. The Auto Museum will open at 4:30 p.m. for viewing the eclectic car collection. A cash bar reception will open at 5:15 p.m.; buffet dinner at 6:15 p.m. and program at 7:15 p.m.

Tickets are \$50 each for the dinner. Again this year, the district has added an opportunity for those Rotarians choosing to contribute annually to the Annual Giving Programs of The Rotary Foundation. The "Every Rotarian, Every Year" couple will receive two tickets to the event for \$150, and \$100 of your donation will be sent to The Rotary Foundation in your name. If you are interested in purchasing tickets to the event, call the Rotary office at 16/842-2322. Checks should be made payable to Rotary District 6040.

Ambassadorial Scholarship 2010-2011

Rotary Club 13's Scholarship Committee is looking for applicants for the \$25,000 Ambassadorial Scholarship for study abroad for the 2010-2011 program year. Due to the lengthy application process, the Scholarship Committee requests that you forward names and contact information for potential applicants as soon as possible to **Marla Svoboda**, (816) 986-4401 or via email to **Marla** msvoboda@waysidewaifs.org. If at all possible, we request that applications be turned in before the end of the year, but applications will be accepted through January, 2009.

The goal is for Club 13 to submit one candidate to the District for an Ambassadorial Scholarship. More information is available about the Ambassadorial Scholarship Program from the "Educational Programs" section at www.rotary.org. Potential candidates are encouraged to visit the website and investigate the qualifications and expectations thoroughly before applying.

Generally speaking, college students who are graduating this year or next year, and who want to study abroad as part of their post graduate studies, are best suited to apply for the Ambassadorial Scholarship. Candidates should be outgoing, have a good grade point average, excellent communication skills and be willing to fulfill the "ambassador" function by representing Rotary Club 13 at Rotary Clubs and other public events in the chosen country abroad.

The Eligibility Criteria are as follows:

- Applicants must have completed at least two years of college-level coursework or equivalent professional experience before commencing their scholarship studies abroad in the fall of 2008.
- Initial application must be made through a Rotary club in the applicant's legal or permanent residence or place of full-time study or employment.
- Candidates cannot be Rotarians, Honorary Rotarians, or employees of a club, district, or other Rotary entity or of Rotary International. Spouses, lineal descendants (child or grandchild by blood or legal adoption), spouses of lineal descendants, and ancestors (parent or grandparent by blood) of persons in the foregoing categories are also ineligible. Please note that Rotarians and their relatives remain ineligible for scholarship awards for 36 months after a Rotarian has resigned from club membership.
- The scholarships are not appropriate for students seeking to continue studies already begun at a foreign institution.
- Persons with disabilities and members of Rotaract clubs are eligible and encouraged to apply.

In addition to the criteria listed above, applicants for Academic-Year and Multi-Year Ambassadorial Scholarships must be proficient in the language of the proposed host country. Cultural Ambassadorial Scholarship applicants must have completed at least one year of college-level coursework or to that equivalent.



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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 to three hours or less and can be scheduled at a time that is convenient for the volunteers. Presentations should be completed by yearend, if possible. Your contribution of a few hours to assist young students 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, **Mary Kingsley**, at 816-421-7050 x 19, or via email at mary@jwilbur.com. Tyros earn six points volunteering for this project.

District 6040 Youth Exchange Program

Kevin Baiotto, District 6040 Youth Exchange Chair, is looking for Rotarians to host long term youth exchange students for the Rotary year 2009-2010.

The Rotary Youth Exchange Program has a world renowned reputation for being the highest quality exchange program. If you are interested in hosting a student for a year you can go to <http://rotary.org/en/StudentsAndYouthPrograms/RotaryYouthExchange/Pages/ridefault.aspx> and get oriented about the program.

For more information you can contact Kevin Baiotto at 660-785-2530 or his e-mail at bioat@sbcglobal.net

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Rotary Club Foundation*

Bowling News:



by Dick Retrum

Bowlers were having fun today. It may have had something to do with their anticipation of the Annual Roscoe October Brat Fest which took place after league play. Speaking from personal experience, I am not eating again until Thursday. Thank you Kay and **Karl**, as usual it was a yummy event.

A few new faces bowled with us today. Rick Crouch came out of retirement and bowled a 206. He said he wants to start bowling with us every week. Great. Welcome back. **Dick Brown** just had a total knee replacement but that didn't stop him from bowling today. What an amazing recovery. Next thing you know he'll be back skiing at his winter home in Colorado. Mathew Ho (Peter's son) was subbing on his dad's team. He's 11 years old and bowled a 176. His highest game ever. We bring out the best in people.

There were only a couple of other high games today. **Lee Triggs** rolled a 226 and Bill McGovney had a 204. It was his first 200 game this year.

Heard on the lanes today: If I was good at this....I'd be good. You've just got too much power! Is she using a pink ball? Does it glow in the dark? Would someone please tell me what I'm doing wrong! Can we start over.....please? My thumb stuck, I think it's still in the ball. This is bowling not basketball. Go ahead, ask me about my game today? Do you think I should switch to a heavier ball? Oh come on...you can't be serious. That ball was in the pocket. Don't you just love this game?

Our first-place team this week is made up of Dee Reynolds, Jane Axon, Barbara Martin and Liz Norton. Good job ladies.

Tom Van Dyke is the 2008 Rotary Club 13 Golf Champion



After disposing of **Howard Mick**, Past President **Chuck Vogt** and super golfer **Mark Snow**, **Tom** faced 2006 Champion **Robert Thompson** for this

year's honor in the championship match at the Hallbrook Golf Course.

I don't know the final tally of holes won or lost and, according to which participant you ask, the outcome was determined by some unmitigated circumstances, like...He played on his home course...How can he possibly have a handicap that high...I was distracted worrying about the stock market...These greens sure don't roll true...Is that driver legal?!!

The trophy will be on display in **Tom's** office until next year.

Bob Weir, Commissioner

The Bill Brown Memorial Coat/Warm Clothing Drive

With the cooperation of the Marriott and Salvation Army, drop-off containers will be available for you to bring your coats and warm clothing to our Rotary meetings on Nov. 13, Nov. 20, Dec. 11 and Dec. 18.

This drive is important to the many people in Kansas City who need clothes. If 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 will also need a couple of volunteers to assist with the weekly collections from 11:00 a.m. to noon. Tyros, you can earn six points for helping with the collection. If you can help out or have any questions, contact **Kent Fulton** at 913-236-7223.

Ring Bells for Salvation Army

Rotarians from Club 13 have been ringing for Salvation Army for many years.

This year, we will have eight locations and four Saturdays to fill, from Nov. 15 through Dec. 13, 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); McDonald's (Plaza); Eddie Bauer's and Halls (Plaza-West door)

Nov. 15 is approaching quickly so we must get our volunteers as soon as possible. Each shift is two hours. Tyros can earn six points for each shift.

Sign-up sheets for each date will be on the tables at the weekly luncheons. We are in need of 192 volunteers.

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

Let's get in the giving mood and serve some of our time for this worthy cause. Isn't that what Rotary is all about?

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