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The Rotary Club of West Wichita meets Tuesdays, 12:00 noon at Rolling Hills Country Club, 223 S. Westlink
Rotary Club of West Wichita: www.rotarywestwichita.org Rotary District 5690: www.rotary5690.org Rotary International: www.rotary.org
Executive Secretary & Bulletin Editor: Diane Walker

TODAY'S SPEAKER

STACY LONGWELL
BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS

Big Brothers Big Sisters is the oldest, largest and most effective youth mentoring organization in the United States. They have been the leader in one-to-one youth service for more than a century, developing positive relationships that have a direct and lasting impact on the lives of young people. Big Brothers Big Sisters mentors children, ages 6 through 18, in communities across the country.

In 1904, a young New York City court clerk named Ernest Coulter was seeing more and more boys come through his courtroom. He recognized that caring adults could help many of these kids stay out of trouble, and he set out to find volunteers. That marked the beginning of the Big Brothers movement. By 1916, Big Brothers had spread to 96 cities across the country.

At around the same time, the members of a group called Ladies of Charity were befriending girls who had come through the New York Children's Court. That group would later become Catholic Big Sisters. Both groups continued to work independently until 1977, when Big Brothers of America and Big Sisters International joined forces and became Big Brothers Big Sisters of America.

More than a century later, Big Brothers Big Sisters remains true to our founders' vision of bringing caring mentors into the lives of children. Big Brothers Big Sisters currently operates in all 50 states.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS & EVENTS

March 30 – NO MEETING due to Home Fireside Meetings
April 6 - Program: Scott Neal, Asst. General Manager, Intrust Arena
April 8 – 10:00am Kindergarten book delivery at Lawrence Elementary
April 13 – Program: Interact will report on their Panama Trip
April 19 – Board of Directors Meeting, 5:15 p.m. at the WSU, west Campus
April 20 – Speaker: Tony Morrow, United States Postal Service
April 27 - Speaker - Sam Muyskens, Trip to Haiti

SAVE THE DATE: Thursday, April 29 WSC-Sunrise Rotary Club, in conjunction with Big Brothers Big Sisters, is having their annual Golf Tournament. Tee off time will be around 12:30pm at Reflection Ridge.

HOME FIRESIDE MEETINGS

We are scheduled to have HOME Fireside meetings the week of March 29th, so our March 30th club meeting is cancelled. These meetings will be held on different evenings throughout the week as listed below. Spouses are invited as well. Each numbered slot on the sign up sheet represents one person, so sign up accordingly. Sign-ups will be based on a first come first serve basis. We need to know TODAY whether or not you can attend one.

HOST: Nancy Duling
Location: 448 Jaax Ct.
Date/Time: Monday, March 29th, 6:30 pm
Meal Plan: Mexican

HOSTS: Jodi Besthorn & Tim Devine
Location: 1113 Manchester Ct.
Date/Time: Tuesday, March 30th, 6:00 pm
Meal Plan: Tex-Mex/Barbeque

HOSTS: Mike Ludlow & Nicolette Moreno
Location: 2508 Lake Ridge Ct.
Date/Time: Wednesday, March 31st, 6:30 pm
Meal Plan: Beer and Barbeque

HOST: Ed Frey
Location: 2502 Spring Meadow
Date/Time: Wednesday, March 31st, 7:00 pm
Meal Plan: Wine & Heavy Appetizers

CLUB INFORMATION

Happy Birthday!
Bob Broeckelman ..... March 28
Bob Scott ..... March 28
Guest
Tony Morrow ..... brought by Sharon West
Visiting Rotarians
Alicia Holloway ..... Downtown
Dave Perkins ..... Downtown
Attendance & Membership Report
Last week: 56% Membership: 71
Last year: 61% Membership: 76
Roaming Rotarian
Phil Michel ..... Cruise
Happy Basket: $4.00
Make-up drawing: Brian Turney's name was drawn but no pin
Holiday Raffle Winner: Bob Broeckelman won $15.00 last week. The pot will be worth over $260 today if an Ace is drawn.
Congratulations to Ryan Bagheri for earning his Blue Badge!

We extend our condolences to Alan Lepard in the loss of his grandmother.