

Tuesday, June 15, 2010

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

Ray Fredrick

National Center for Aviation Training

The National Center for Aviation Training is designed to be a world-class training facility to meet changing business and workforce needs. The center will provide customized training to provide skills that employers need in the aviation industry. Students will have training in a real-world environment for general aviation manufacturing, and aircraft and power plant mechanics.

There will be three buildings: the Aviation Tech Center, the Manufacturing Service Center and the Gateway Building (Assessment and Administration).

Aviation is important to Kansas. Prior to the recession, the aviation industry employed 40,000 people, and another 142,350 jobs were supported by aviation directly and indirectly. For our businesses to compete and remain in Kansas, they need a skilled workforce. 27% of the aviation manufacturing workforce is eligible for retirement in 2008 (and 40% over the next five years).

Once the economy improves, the business jet production forecast is expected to gradually return to previous production levels. When this occurs, there will be a critical demand for workers to meet business needs. An additional 1,000 workers are expected each year for the next 10 years. And, other locations are trying to lure our Kansas aviation business, and these high-paying jobs, away from Kansas.

Students will be learning in a real-time, real-world environment that prepares them for work. The educational programs must be certified by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), which requires that classes be taught to Federal Aviation Regulations (FARs)— this includes locating training by airports or near air runways and landing strips.

CONGRATULATIONS TO MICHAEL PHIPPS!



We don't usually publish the outside accomplishments of our members in our club bulletin but Bob Goebel sent me this picture and I thought it would be appropriate this time. Michael Phipps, a charter member of our club, has generously accommodated our club

socials, events and board meetings at the Airport Hilton for many years. So, at this time, we want to extend not only our congratulations to Michael for receiving the "Hall of Fame" award from the Kansas Restaurant & Hotel Association but also say "thank you" from our club!

The Rotary Test of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



FAMILY ROTARY OUTING

The weather didn't quite turn out the way we had hoped, but the outing was fun nonetheless.

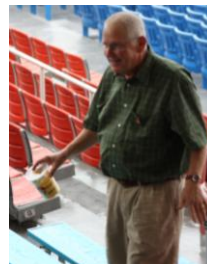
President Tim threw the first pitch before the rain came. The rain dampened the field but not our *Rotary* spirit. District Governor Mike Barnes, along with his wife, Helen, and their grandson drove up to join our area Rotarians for the game. There were a handful of us who stayed past the first round of the downpour to see several innings of the game. Our thanks to **John Oswald** for organizing this event again this year and to **Phil Michel** for arranging the PR. Under Phil's leadership, we were able to raise \$108.26 for Polio Plus by taking up collections at the stadium plus a video was shown about Polio Plus.



John Oswald giving Ryan Bagheri a prize he won in our drawing



The billboard says "End Polio Now"



President Tim collecting for Polio Plus



Phil Michel, PR Chair



Waiting for the rain to stop



Our members collecting for Polio Plus

CLUB INFORMATION

Happy Birthday!

- Sharon West June 18
 Ken Hays June 20
Holiday Raffle: This week's pot will be worth \$405 if an Ace is drawn

UPCOMING PROGRAMS & EVENTS

- June 21 Board of Directors Meeting,** 5:30 p.m., at the Airport Hilton. This meeting is for the **current and incoming** board Members from both west side Rotary clubs.
- June 22 Speaker:** Deb Ary, Wichita Water Utilities, Superintendent of Production and Pumping
Ambassadorial Scholarship Applications due! Contact Greg Carr for more information
- June 29 Club Assembly:** Committee Year-end reports and passing of the gavel