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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

HEATHER DENKER, DIRECTOR
Young Professionals of Wichita (YWP)

Heather first became a member of Young Professionals of Wichita (YPW) by default. She worked in the legal department of Koch Industries, and her membership was free of charge. She went to the kick off event in June of 2005 and stood there with more than 400 other people who were as intrigued with what this organization was about as she was. Heather had lived in Wichita for three years at that point and her circle of friends consisted solely of her co-workers. She knew nothing of the city around her. Heather knew there had to be more to Wichita than what she had the courage to explore on her own, and thought that YPW might be able to show her what she had been missing.

Fast forward four years later, she now comes to us as the director of the organization that she looked to for guidance. It is her job to help carry out the mission of attracting and retaining young talent to the Wichita community.

The Wichita Metro Chamber of Commerce launched Young Professionals of Wichita in June, 2005 and has watched it grow to nearly 2,100 members. Currently YPW is conducting a Community Handprint Study to find out how Wichita stacks up in the eyes of the next generation, and what needs to happen for Wichita to become an even more attractive city for next gen talent. Heather will update us on YPW and explain this Community Handprint and the indexes Wichita will be measured on.

Open World Hosts Needed

We are looking for Rotarians to volunteer to host one (or more) of our Open World guests from October 24th through 30th. We will need to provide hosts for 7 guests this year. If you are willing to volunteer, please contact Augustine Iacopelli (augustine.iacopelli@wichita.edu) to fill out the host family form for Rotary International.

Interact Garage Sale Results

Thanks to those who donated items for the garage sale last weekend! The Interact Club raised $200 with the possibility of a little more to help with their trip to Panama over Spring Break. A **BIG THANKS** to **Mike Suellentrop** and **Paul Blissett** for ALL the work & hours they invest in the Interact Club!

Drop your extra pocket change in our
PolioPlus Jar
on the back table at our meetings

Upcoming Programs & Events

Sept. 17– Oct 17 GSE Team (D1850 Germany) visits D5690
September 27 Rotary Road Rally in Winfield, KS
September 29 Program: Wyldewood Cellars Winery
October 1 Quarterly billing will be e-mailed
October 6 Speaker: TBA
October 10 District Membership & Foundation Seminar
October 13 HungerPlus meeting at Ascension Lutheran
October 15 The First Annual Haus of Brews presented by the Rotary Club of Andover to welcome the German GSE Team!
Go to our District Newsletter for more details:
http://www.rotary5690.org/IMupload/newsletter/20090917_newsletter.pdf

Club Information

No Birthdays this week
Roaming Rotarians
Gregg Greenwood ..... Downtown
Mark Chamberlin ..... Downtown
Guests
Pam Klos & Michelle Miller ..... Lawrence Elementary
Attendance & Membership Report
Last meeting: 63% Membership: 75
Last year: 58% Membership: 75
Make-up raffle: Mark Chamberlin's name was drawn but he was not wearing his Rotary pin.
Happy Basket collections: $5.00 **Scooter Bowl collections:** $0
Holiday raffle: Bob Nelson drew a Jack and won $15 in the raffle last week. There are three Aces remaining. This week the pot will be worth $28.00 plus half of the meeting's ticket sales.

Annual Hunger Plus Meeting

Organized by Ryan Bagheri

Tuesday, October 13, 12:00 noon to 1:15 p.m.
Ascension Lutheran Church (close to Central & Tyler)

Thanks to the great response last week, we now only need 6 people to bring a crock pot of their favorite soup and 2 people to bring their favorite dessert for our annual contest. We also need a few more members to bring bread. The sign-up sheet will be available at our meeting or you can call or email Ryan Bagheri at 316.210.0267 or rabagheri@fedins.com.

Rotary District 5690
Membership & Foundation Seminar
Saturday, October 10th, 8:15 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Shears Technology Center—14th & Plum Streets
Hutchinson Community College
To register, go to www.rotary5690.org