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Newsletter for the Rotary Club of Broken Arrow



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CALENDAR

- Virtual meetings combined with in-person resume at Stoney Creek Hotel Breakfast Room. Information on each will be emailed each week.
- 8/17 Brian O'Hara/Derek Osborne. Legislative Update
- 8/24 Rotary Board Meeting 10:30 Stoney Creek Library
- 8/24 Lisa Bain. Joy in the Cause
- 8/31 Brandy Valentine. Lotus Acupuncture
- 8/31 Last day to order ribs. Pick up on 9/3.
- 9/7 NO MEETING-LABOR DAY HOLIDAY
- 9/14 Amanda Curtis. Waste Management

Rotary After Hours August 6 Meeting

Rotary After Hours had a very productive and heart-warming evening on August 6th. The story below was written by Becky Wood.

Kevin Doncaster, founder of Warhawk PTSD Service Dogs, was guest speaker at the August 6 After Hours meeting. Kevin was deployed 7 years combined between Iraq and Afghanistan. He was blown up twice in Iraq in 2007, but returned to the middle east as a civilian contractor 2010—2014. Kevin tells the story of the 3rd Marine Battalion, 5th Infantry Division as the precursor for founding Warhawk. On October 13, 2010, these Marines were deployed to Afghanistan in the midst of a region-wide Taliban offensive. 3 Marines were killed that day; ultimately 25 would die over the next 6-months; another 200 would lose an arm, leg, or both. Of that 200, nine are alive today, as they have all committed suicide. In 2014, after one of Kevin's military counterparts committed suicide, Kevin warned the Army command he was attached to of the devastation of the high rates of suicide among his fellow veterans, but no action was taken. Kevin resigned. After struggling to be a worthy father, husband, and Man of God for 5 years, he learned about PTSD Service Dogs. Two weeks after he received his service dog, free of charge, yet another friend committed



17 people met at the Stoney Creek Hotel breakfast room for the After Hours meeting. Above are Robyn Havener, Roy Wood, Ross Ford, Lisa Engel, Stephen and Angel Brown, David Kirby, Rosa Campbell, Greg Genua, Lisa Ford, Galen Engel, Vincent Snelling, Becky Wood, Joseph Campbell, Kevin Doncaster, Michael Skates and in front, Linda Doncaster with Lacy, the service dog.

suicide. At this point, Kevin asked God for guidance, with his dog, Lacey, "nudging him repeatedly." Inspired to help make it possible for more PTSD veterans to obtain services dogs, he called Lacey's trainer and breeder, sharing and praying with them his vision. In 2019, his vision became a mission.



Kevin Doncaster with Lacy at his feet.

Based out of Bartlesville, OK, Warhawk purchases Australian Shepherd dogs from a breeder at cost. (Australian Shepherds have very stable, teachable personalities and are ideally suited for PTSD service dogs.) Warhawk's average cost per trained dog is \$8600, and the dogs are ready to pair free of charge with a PTSD veteran within 18-months (compared to the national average of \$20,000/dog with a waiting list of 3 to 5 years.)

Collaborating with Stormwalker Ranch (veteran equine therapy) and area suicide prevention teams, placing service dogs with PTSD veterans is helping to

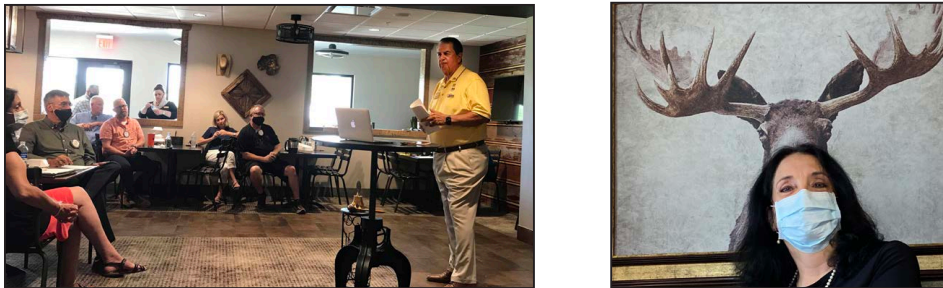
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July 13 Live & Zoom meeting



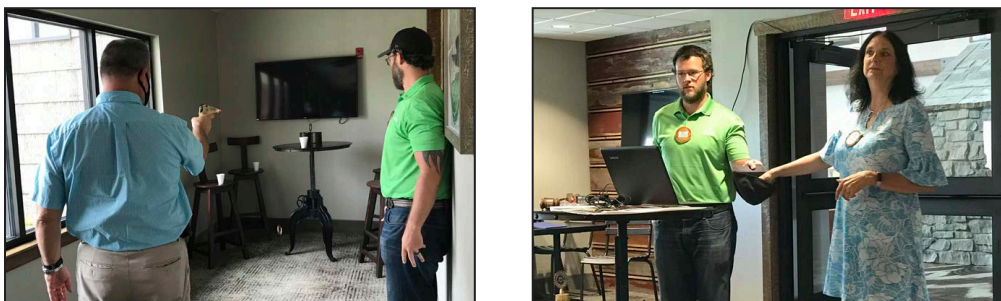
Sean Simpson displayed his unique sense of humor and passion for the work he does at Broken Arrow Senior Center. The epidemic has brought its challenges, but he has found opportunities to overcome and serve the senior community. Lisa Ford took a selfie with the meeting attendees. It's a great location.

July 20 Live & Zoom meeting plus board meeting



District Governor Jay Craig is to visit all the clubs in the district. His visit to us on 7/20 was enlightening and a great experience for him. Our club is very successful, and with Lisa's determined leadership, gives Jay a great example to share around the district to help other clubs succeed. At right is Lisa staying safe during the board meeting—and appearing to wear moose antlers.

July 27 Live & Zoom meeting—Club Assembly



Lisa scheduled an assembly to present her goals for the year and focus on the priorities. At left, Mike Scrimsher aims for the targets to raise a little cash in Sergeant at Arms. Eric Vandenburg's game with Lisa drawing the winning ticket at right.

SERVICE, YOUTH & FUNDRAISING COMMITTEES

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEES & \$\$ GOALS

- Cool Grilles Car Show (\$20,000) – Lisa Engel
- Pancake Breakfast (\$1,500) – Don Henderson, Stu Conrad
- Rooster Egg Hunt (\$3,000) – Janie Green
- Trivia Contest (\$2,000) – Janie Green, Stan Evetts
- Micro-Fundraisers (\$2,500) – Galen Engel

Fundraising Is Critical to Continue to Support Community Charities and Keep Our Club Running.

These images are from the presentation, and Zarria, at right, spoke about her dedication to RYLA and other Youth Services.



Rotary Club of Broken Arrow OK Budget for 2020-21

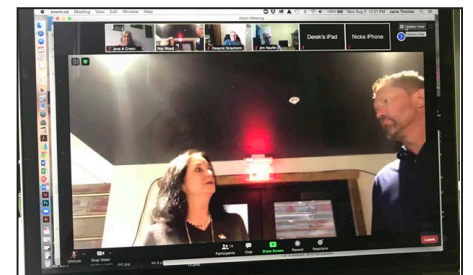
Receipts	
Dues	\$19,650
Meals	\$18,550
Fundraising Income (to club)	\$3,000
Other	\$1,500
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$42,700

Expenses	
District Dues	\$4,680
RI Dues	\$6,264
Meetings	\$4,000
Donations	\$240
Polio Plus	\$1,000
RI Float	\$150
4-Way Test Speech Contest	\$400
Fundraising Expenses	\$950
Meal Costs	\$15,750
Badges, Pins, Awards	\$400
Software (DACS)	\$600
Supplies	\$403
Other	\$3,000
Bank Charges	\$400
Church	\$2,650
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$40,887
NET INCOME	\$1,813

August 3 Live & Zoom meeting



Megan Quickle spoke to us about Broken Arrow Neighbors. She is the new director and is delighted with the excellent condition that Kim Goddard built during her years. Megan will continue creating compassionate help for those in need, and manage the challenges that are sure to come. She became a club member on 8/10, and the photo below shows Zoom view of Mike Rice being inducted 8/3. Induction story is on page 4.



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prevent suicides. Warhawk's 501(c) (3) application is under review with the IRS, and once approved, Kevin envisions his mission going national. In the meantime, you can check out Warhawk PTSD Service Dogs on Facebook and help spread the word.

Next up were Stephen and Angel Brown to tell us about his inspiration for founding "Backpacks for Good" to distribute to the homeless. It all started by filling an unused backpack at home with basic personal hygiene products and giving it to a homeless person. From there, the project has blossomed,

reaching hundreds of homeless people in our area. "Backpacks for Good" purchases the backpacks in bulk and also takes donations of gently used backpacks. The backpacks are then filled with basic personal hygiene products. Since Stephen and Angel stuff the backpacks themselves, they are able to keep the costs



to less than \$8.00/backpack. Recipients of the backpacks are very thankful for the basic supplies. As the winter months set in, Stephen and Angel plan to also provide blankets and other winter provisions in the bags. We finished out the evening by helping stuff more backpacks for distribution.

At left, Stephen Brown speaks about "Backpacks for Good."

August 6 Rotary After Hours



Page one starts the main story for this 8/6 meeting. Here is an additional photo of the backpack packing for the homeless that Stephen and Angel have set up.

August 8 MNSI Workday



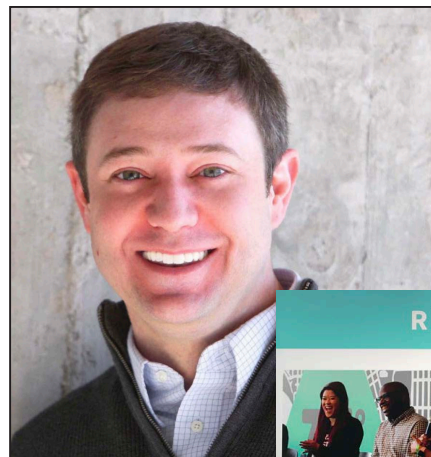
Eight workers helped at the Medical Supplies Network Inc (M.S.N.I.) workday. Donated medical supplies were sorted as to use and packaged with a label listing the contents.

While some items, such as wheelchairs, orthopedic items and similar are donated as needed locally, most items are packed into shipping containers to be delivered to poor areas of the world, or to disaster sites. There is so much material that is expired or discontinued for local use that can be lifesaving to those in need.

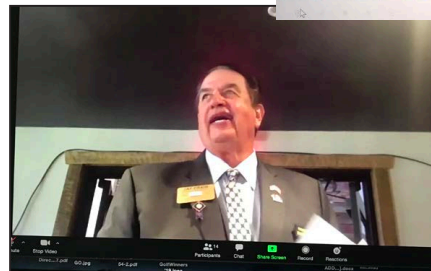
In these photos are Rosa and Joseph Campbell, with daughter, Isabel, Zaria Young, Stephen and Angel Brown, Galen and Lisa Engel.



August 10 Live and Zoom meeting



Devon Laney is the Chief Executive Officer of 36 Degrees North, an area business/entrepreneur incubator. He has experience to expand the options and has a goal to bring all resources under one roof.



Also on 8/10, District Governor Jay Craig (photo taken by Janie via Zoom) assisted in the induction of new members. See page 4 for more induction info.

New Members Inducted in August.

District Governor Jay Craig joined us that day and assisted in the induction of these new members on 8/10.



Welcome new Rotarians! Inducted and sponsors on 8/10 are, from left, Lynnsey Childress, Lisa and Galen Engel, Stephen Brown, Governor Jay Craig, Lisa Ford, Roy Wood, Jenny Cothran, Megan Quickle, Rosa and Joseph Campbell. We are delighted to find you already active in our projects.



Mike Rice of Phoenix Restoration travels so much he was only available on 8/3 to be inducted. His company will continue to support our projects, and we look forward to any times he can visit us.

Activity Needed by All Members:



Cool Grilles is a terrific fundraiser if we all work on sponsorships. It'll be great to have a public activity on Main Street again, and sponsors will welcome the publicity.

Sponsor Flyers, entry forms and event posters are available from Lisa and Galen.

ROTARY RIB SALE

3lb slabs of succulent, hard wood, slow smoked, double wrapped, baby back pork ribs, that will practically fall off the bone

\$22 per slab. Last date to order is Monday, 8/31 at meeting or by email.

Rib pick up is Thursday, 9/3, at Tiger Town Tees, 309 N Aspen from 9am-5pm, or Stoney Creek Hotel breakfast room 6:30pm-8pm.



The clues will begin August 31, so it's time now to give sponsors the promotion opportunities. We will have social media posts, and the Chamber will also send those out. Our exclusive Bonus Clue Sponsor is Arrow Exterminators, but the other levels allow multiple sponsors. Any business who wants customers through their doors can take advantage of the Rooster Days excitement.

Fillable PDF forms were emailed to members and are available from Janie Green.