

"Broken Arrow Rotary: community engaged, committed and making a difference"

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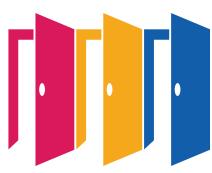
CALENDAR

- Virtual meetings combined with in-person resume as we are able. Information on this will be emailed each week
- 6/29 Change of Horse meeting will be in-person and virtual during our regular noon time. We celebrate our challenging year and install Lisa Engel as our new president

Rotary New Year Begins July 1, 2020

Along with the rest of the world, Rotary has had to adapt to the challenges of global pandemic. Our club has been meeting virtually for the past few weeks, and quite successfully. However, that is not satisfying our need to get together, be social and lead each other to be our best.

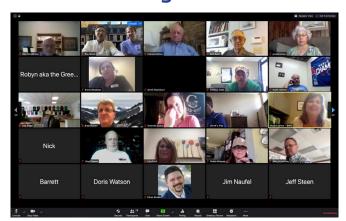
The board is working on ways to meet in person, retain distancing requirements and have meals together. This may not be suitable for many of our members, so we will try to include the Zoom virtual contact within the meetings. A questionnaire is going out to our members so we can understand each Rotarian's needs. Please respond as soon as you can.



Rotary Opens Opportunities

The 2020-2021 Rotary theme.

Virtual Meetings At Least Allow Us To See Each Other.



Our program on 5/4 included Sharon James & Amanda Grace from BA Public Schools speaking with us about the Pathways Program. There are numerous ways that we can help students find their career path.





At top is Sharon James, and below that is Amanda Grace.

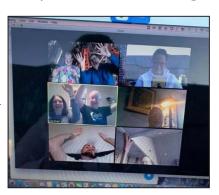
May 18 meeting



At left, we had a large group listening to what City Manager Michael Spurgeon had to say.

At right, Roy had a roller coaster background on his screen, so the After Hours group raised arms along with the ride.

May 23 After Hours meeting



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June 1 meeting





Steve Barnes was our primary speaker about Paycheck Protection Program, and he enlisted the help of Derek Steeley to tell us about how our local banks assisted small businesses, and how the local community and chamber worked to aid our local businesses.

A Few "Goings-on" Stories About Our Members

The images and quotes on these pages are taken from Facebook pages of our members or were sent to me by them. There are so many more stories out there, and we'd love to hear from all of you.



Lisa and Ross Ford have made a tropical oasis in their back yard. What a nice place to hang out.



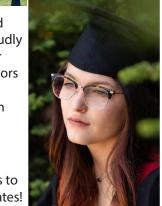
Two Rotarians in one shot! Debra Wimpee was chilling in a city budget meeting at Stoney Creek. Vincent Snelling came to the rescue with a warm blanket!





Scott Eudey and Stu Conrad proudly celebrated their graduating seniors in spite of the restrictions from conventional graduation ceremonies.

Congratulations to all those graduates!





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Lloyd and Karen Dawes took this "Red, White and Blue" image while working on the 100th Anniversary photo shot for their Corvette Club.







Jeff and Kaye Linn Hewett are very proud of their son, Parker, who earned Eagle Scout rank and graduated BAHS this year.



Kim Vento Pride quilt

'Finally put those 16 years of working with the Pride of BA in a quilt! Loved all those kiddos I was blessed to teach. Great memories, talented kiddos! (Who are now all grown up!)'

Kim and Steve had a great 5/31

fishing trip on Lake Keystone!

"My hybrid striped bass was 1 lb. from the lake record!"



signage on their building. Tiger Town Tees is looking good. They are expecting an automated

press to be set up and running soon, so making the most of down time. Car showing with the MOPAR group was also on their agenda.





Becky and Roy Wood celebrated their 40th wedding Anniversary on 5/17, and had a water pipe break on 5/19. Is "water damage" the correct gift for the 40th? Congratulations! And so glad Becky was home to discover the leak before it was knee-deep.

Many of us are enjoying grandkids and other young relatives. Janie Green had Grace and Jack over to pick strawberries and swing in the newly-braced tree

swing. Mike had to climb the sycamore to anchor a cable to support the swing limb. Finished swing and berries were much appreciated!





This story and images are taken from the Facebook post of Dr. Clarence Oliver, Jr. He has presented to our club about his experiences in the Korean War, and has written books about them. The Museum Broken Arrow has copies of those for sale.





Reflections on Memorial Day — "Lest we forget!"

In a time long ago, in a land far away, North Korea, Winter 1951-1952, I lived, survived, and eventually returned home. Some of my friends did not return. Today, I remember and pay tribute to those "Warrior" friends who died—and some whose lives were badly shattered—in the war in that far off land we called, "Frozen Choson" — Korea. May each of you "Rest in Peace." It was a horrific war that most people have "forgotten." But, the "Forgotten War" must not be "forgotten."

During the 45th Infantry Division's 429 days of combat during the Korean War, the "Thunderbird" soldiers became familiar with places with names like T-Bone Hill, Hill 223, Outpost Eerie, Hill 200, Alligator Jaws, Pork Chop Hill, Old Baldy, Heartbreak Ridge and other strange sounding places. A total of 602 Oklahoma Soldiers, Sailors, Marines and Airmen died from hostile action during the Korean War. Oklahoma's 45th Infantry Division suffered 4,004 casualties, with 834 killed in action and 3,170 wounded in action.

A total of 328 soldiers of the 180th Infantry Regiment in which I proudly served died in combat. Hundreds more were wounded, and hundreds more were left with lifelong consequences of "battle fatigue," a term used in those days to describe what now would be called "Post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD)" Many were close friends, some were acquaintances, and others were "names on the roster." Each is remembered this day!

A "Stars and Stripes" military newspaper combat photographer snapped the photograph of a small patrol in an area northwest of Ch'orwon, North Korea, in December 1951. (below) Of the five of us from Company C, 180th Infantry Regimental Combat Team, in the picture, I am the only one still living.

