



The Funriser

Mar 24, 2025

Meetings 6:45 a.m. Wednesdays – Tandy YMCA, 51st and Yale

“The Magic of Rotary”

Weekly meetings: Wed at 6:45 AM Tandy YMCA at 51st and Yale & Zoom

Zoom Meeting Specs:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89035476180?pwd=MI RGZFZ1RDZTUzR3VjBrcU42cC9Ddz09>

Or phone in: (346) 248-7799. **Either way**, Meeting ID: 890 3547 6180 Passcode: 359431

This Week's Speaker & Program

Oklahoma Alliance for Animals, Jamee Suarez-Howard, President/Founder. RoD: Steve Care

Future Programs

Apr 2: Program tba. RoD: Sheri Perry.

Apr 9: Miller Hospice, Tony McMillan. RoD: Rich Orvis

Apr 16: Program TBA. RoD: Megan Korn

Speaker/Program Preview:

Oklahoma Alliance for Animals is a Tulsa based 501c3 nonprofit collaborative organization established in 2004. OAA's primary purpose is to bring together the people and resources needed to overcome pet homelessness, abuse and neglect.

This week's RoD: Steve Care

Born and raised (but not raised very far) in Tulsa, OK.



Graduate of Will Rogers High School. Attended one year at TU as a music major, then on to Ouachita Baptist University in Arkansas for B.S., and to Louisville, KY for an M.Div. Several years were spent as a pastoral minister and then I had to quit due to sickness. (They were sick of me, and I was sick of them.) The next several years were spent in personnel, safety, and hazardous chemicals reporting at a gray iron

foundry in Coffeyville, Kansas. (If you're ever curious about what happens to worn out railroad rails and old engine blocks, I can tell you). I ran an office for the financial services firm, Edward Jones, from 1/3/1994 to retirement on 7/31 2022. During that time, Edward Jones has grown from just over 2,700 offices to over 19,000 offices in the U.S. and Canada. I am a limited partner in the firm. I married my high-school sweetheart in 1975. Jan is a retired CPA, and Past President of the Southeast Rotary Club of Tulsa. We have two boys; Wesley is a mechanical engineer, Jon became an Edward Jones Financial Advisor in August of 2019. Jon and his wife, Kayla have blessed us with two wonderful grandsons: Cooper and Cameron.

Ongoing Monthly Events

- 1st Tuesday: Club Board Meeting
- 3rd Thursday: Foundation Board Meeting
- 3rd Saturday: Jenks Food Bank.

Other Upcoming Events

- **Apr 6** – Drillers ballgame outing. SignUp Genius will help you get there. Checks pay to Sunrise, give to Randy at check-in or to Reilly.

From the Podium

- Our Drillers ballgame outing is now less than two weeks away. Please help Reilly with headcount by RSVPing on the SignUp Genius link sent to you recently. REMEMBER, RSVP means to respond whether you are attending or not.
- VP/President-Elect Bobby Schultz's proposed team for 2025-26 has been published (and is attached again). Nominations and volunteers (yeah, right!) will be accepted from the floor at this week's meeting, followed by the vote

Last Week's Program

6110's Michelle Robinson, via Zoom, shared some great ideas about recruiting and retaining membership.

Pot of Gold

The winning ticket
Was held by Kay.
But the joker escaped
for another day.

Movie Review: Last Breath by Kit Sprague

Grandma Sandy and I saw this movie last week, and we both highly recommend it. It is the true story of seasoned deep-sea divers who battle the raging elements to rescue a crewmate who's trapped hundreds of feet below the ocean's surface. It was very well produced, technically quite accurate for Hollywood, and Woody Harrelson did a great job.

Birthdays & Anniversaries this week

Birthdays: None...

Rotary anniversaries: Komi Folly (3/30, 9 yrs)

Wedding anniversaries: None.

Words to Live By

"We are what we repeatedly do. *Excellence* then is not an act, but a habit." – *Will Durant*

Keep Laughing



Laughter and tears are both responses to frustration and exhaustion. I myself prefer to laugh, since there is less cleaning up to do afterward. - *Kurt Vonnegut*

Whoever undertakes to set himself up as a judge of Truth and Knowledge is shipwrecked by the laughter of the gods. - *Albert Einstein*

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2024-25 Sunrise Foundation Board Members

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Vice Pres: Carolyn McGhay

Secretary: Scott Cyrus

Treasurer: Joy Ondracek

Past President: Mark Welty

Board Member: Bill Lawson

Club Liaison: Bobby Schultz

Board Meetings:

(unless change notified)

Virtual via ZOOM

3rd Thurs ea month, 6:30P

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2024-25 Sunrise Committee Chairs

Membership: Barbara Smallwood

Website: Carolyn McGhay

Newsletter: Mike Bibby & Kit Sprague

Family of Rotary: Kay Hays

Programs & RoDs: Maggie Brown

Engagement: Bill Lawson

Membership: Barbara Smallwood

RI Foundation: Bill Bowen

Roster: Kit Sprague

Meeting A/V: Tim Holder

Parliamentarian: Kit Sprague

Historian: (vacant)

MSNI: Gifty Benson

PMails (Blasts): Kit Sprague

2024-25 Sunrise Club Board Members

President: Jeff Roberts

Vice Pres: Bobby Schultz

Past President: Megan Korn

Secretary: Linda Ortega

Treasurer: Randy Coffman & Kit Sprague

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Dir, Int'l Service: Gifty Benson

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Board Meetings:

5:30P 1st Tues ea month

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