



The Funriser

Jan 27, 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=MLRGZFZ1RDZTUzR3VjBrcU42cC9Ddz09>

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

This Week’s Program & RoD

Thunder Fellows, Isaiah Wright. RoD: Jessy Poole

Future Programs

Feb 5: Program & RoD TBA

Feb 12: Club Assembly, Visioning Committees

Feb 19: Program & RoD TBA

This week’s RoD: Jessy Poole



Jessy has no bio in Dacdb, but I’m sure we’ll learn more about him when he speaks to us before his speaker intro.

This Week’s Program: Thunder Fellows

To address the prevalent opportunity and racial wealth gaps in our community, the Thunder Fellows Program – developed by the Oklahoma City Thunder and Creative Arts Agency (CAA) – aims to unlock new opportunities in sports, entertainment, and technology for black high school and college students in the Tulsa area.



Isaiah Wright

Located in the historic Greenwood District, Thunder Fellows will apply data & analytics curriculum uniquely

tailored to industries’ standards to gain proficiency in essential skillsets and hands-on experiences highly sought after by recruiters and talent acquisition teams. The 30-week program will also leverage a strategic pipeline of local & national corporations to provide exclusive access to mentors, professional coaching, and meaningful employment opportunities.

Ongoing Monthly Events

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

Other Upcoming Events

Feb 8 – Sunrise MSNI work day

Feb 26 – Action plan presentations by Visioning Committees

Last Week’s Program by Mike Bibby

We started the last meeting with the 4-Way Test speech contestants so there would be time for tabulating their scores. Tim gave a talk about the origins of the 4-Way Test. It was adopted by Rotary in 1943.



The first contestant was Aida McCurry returning from participating last year. Her topic was Alzheimer's disease.



The second contestant was Evan Gaines. His topic was using the 4-Way Test to handle an unfair judge at a speech and debate contest.

From the Podium by Mike Bibby

While scores were tabulated, President Jeff had several announcements

- We had two Zoomers: Gifty Benson, Jim Conner
- Meals on Wheels will host us for a tour after either our March 5th or March 12th meeting. You may recall their office is across the street from the Y.
- February 8th is our MSNI work date. They need all of us.
- February 9th is the club's Super Bowl party. It will be in the ground floor meeting area at University Towers. Game starts at 5:30. There will be a sign-up sheet at the January 29th and February 6th meetings. The sign-up sheet will include a place to indicate you will also be participating in the Chili Cookoff. If you are not going to be at either meeting but want to attend, email Mike Bibby at hogfanman10@gmail.com. Mike has the crown as the most recent Chili King and plans to win again. We will also need drinks, corn chips and dessert items.
- February 12th is a club assembly for Visioning Committees.
- February 26th is the presentation of committee Action Plans.
- Jessy Poole announced we will distribute dictionaries in March. There might be a labeling party beforehand.
- Tim Holder announced the winner of the 4-Way Speech Contest was Evan Gaines.

Pot of Gold by Mike Bibby

Last week Sheri Perry had the winning ticket, but all she found was the 5 of clubs. The pot grows.

Birthdays & Anniversaries this week

Birthdays: Clay Bartels (1/28)

Wedding anniversaries: None

Rotary anniversaries: None

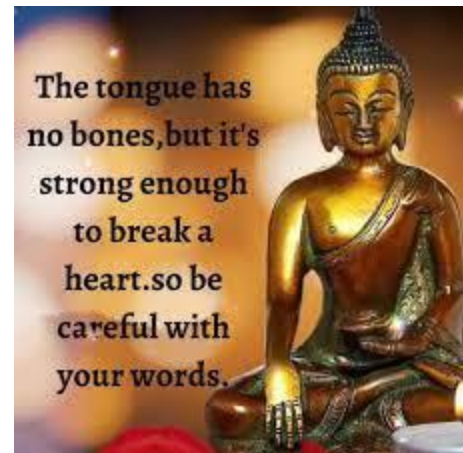
Dues are due...

This is the last week you can pay your dues without being delinquent. You can pay at the meeting or mail your check to the Sunrise PO Box. Credit card pay will be available Wednesday morning.

Movie Review: Gladiator II by Kit Sprague

My bride and I had been wanting to see this movie for a while, now playing in theatres. But she happened to notice we could watch it free on one of our cable channels, and we did just that a couple of nights ago. We thought it odd that it was on tv while still in theatres, and after watching all 2:28 of it, we could see why. We were glad we didn't pay money to see it. Even though one of our favorite actors (Denzel Washington) was in it, the best we could rate this one is a C-. Certainly no match for its prequel several years ago with Russell Crowe. Barely worth your time, and certainly not your money.

Words to Live By



Comedy Corner

- The man who invented [knock-knock jokes](#) should get a no bell prize.
- I buy all my guns from a guy called T-Rex. He's a small arms dealer.
- I can tell when people are being judgmental just by looking at them.

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5:30P 1st Tues ea month

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3rd Thurs ea month, 6:30P

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2024-25 Sunrise Committee Chairs

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Newsletter: Mike Bibby & Kit Sprague

Family of Rotary: Kay Hays

Programs & RoDs: Maggie Brown

Engagement: Bill Lawson

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Meeting A/V: Tim Holder

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