



# Round and Round

— Rotary Club of Wichita - Club 30 —

## Upcoming Programs



### **March 4 — John Allison, Superintendent of USD 259**

John Allison began his tenure as the superintendent of the Wichita Public Schools on July 6, 2009. Prior to assuming the helm of Kansas' largest school district, Mr. Allison served for two years as superintendent of the Mt. Lebanon School District in Pennsylvania.

Allison's educational career began in Kansas as a high school social studies teacher and coach. Much of his professional experience has been in the Shawnee Mission (KS) School District, where he held several administrative positions including associate superintendent for educational services. He departed Kansas for Texas, where he served as the deputy superintendent of the Grapevine-Colleyville School District in the Dallas-Ft. Worth area, prior to assuming the superintendency in Pennsylvania.

Allison grew up in northeast Kansas and obtained his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Kansas and his Masters of Science from Emporia State. He has completed doctoral course work in Education Leadership at St. Louis University.

Hardly a stranger to Wichita, Allison spent summers during his childhood in the Riverside area visiting his grandparents. His mother and his uncle are graduates of Wichita High School North. John and his wife Ramie have two children, one attends school in the district and the other recently graduated from our district.



### **March 11 — Larry Hatteberg, KAKE-TV, Channel 10**

Larry Hatteberg is a name synonymous with the highest quality television journalism. He began his forty-nine year television career with KAKEland in 1963 and immediately distinguished himself with his ability to communicate visually, letting his subjects tell their story.

Larry has received more than 100 local, state and national awards for news photography and reporting and is Kansas' most honored journalist. His "Hatteberg's People" series is the longest running television feature in Kansas and his book "Larry Hatteberg's Kansas People" spent weeks on the state's best-selling list. He has held nearly every position in the KAKE newsroom and currently co-anchors KAKE News at Five.

Larry grew up in Winfield, Kansas and graduated from Winfield High School. He attended Kansas State Teachers College and Wichita State University before starting at KAKEland. Larry's wife, Judy, is a writer and teacher. They have two daughters, Sherry and Susan. Sherry is a teacher and mom in Lee's Summit, Missouri, and Susan is a public relations practitioner and mom in Wichita.

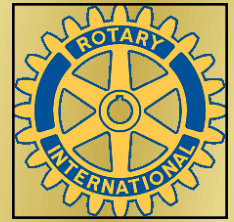


### **March 18 — Dr. Michael Austin, Newman University**

Michael Austin is the Provost, Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Professor of English at Newman University. He received bachelors and masters degrees in English and Rhetoric from Brigham Young University and a Ph.D. in English from the University of California at Santa Barbara. Austin is the author or editor of seven books, including two studies of the role of evolution in literature and a bestselling college textbook. His most recent book, "That's Not What They Meant!", examines the misuse of the Constitution and American Founding history in contemporary political discourse. His presentation today is drawn from his follow-up book, tentatively titled "Arguing as Friends: Why It's So Important/Why It's So Hard." Dr. Austin lives in Wichita with his wife, Karen, and his two children, Porter (age 15) and Clarissa (age 11).

### UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS

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| March 25 | Pete Meitzner, City Council District II   |
| April 1  | Fireside Meetings                         |
| April 8  | Career Day — Jon Rolph, Sasnak Management |
| April 15 | Steve Van Zant, Case New Holland          |



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### **The Four Way Test**

Of the things we think, say or do

Is it the TRUTH?	Is it FAIR to all concerned?
Will it build GOOD WILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?	Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

## Congratulations!



### Birthdays!

Vic Schimming	3/5
Dawn Truman	3/5
Carl Brewer	3/8
Gary Oborny	3/9

### Club Anniversaries

Joe Stout	40 years
Jim Grier	39 years
Dale Maltbie	27 years
Dick West	27 years
Steve Hauck	15 years
Steve Anthimides	9 years
Mike Brown	9 years

### JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT TEACHERS STILL NEEDED!

We are still looking for Rotarians who want to help prepare elementary school age children (K-5) for real life by teaching a financial literacy course at Washington Elementary this spring.

Volunteers will teach a classroom for approximately 1 hour per week for 5 weeks between the dates of March 25 and May 3. The teachers at Washington will work with us if someone needs a flexible schedule.

A short training session will be held for prospective teachers next **Monday, March 4 at 11:00 a.m. in the Fireside room at Botani-ca.**

Thanks to the members who have said they plan to be a part of this club-sponsored project this year:

Richard Campbell  
Scott Knebel  
Andrew Kovar  
Dustin Kuhn  
Charlie Moon  
Janice Wunderlich  
David Urban

Contact the [Rotary office](#) or [Marci Werne](#) for more information.

### MONDAY MEETING NOTES — FEBRUARY 28

The Fireside meetings were cancelled last Monday due to the snowy weather. The meetings will be rescheduled for **Monday, April 1**. You will receive information about how to re-confirm your reservation or sign up anew soon!



Thanks to all the hosts who have agreed to give it another try on April 1.

### LARGE CLUB CONFERENCE — JANUARY 24 — 27, 2013



Last month **President Elect, Gayle Goetz**, and I attended the annual Rotary Large Club Conference (LCC) hosted by the Rotary Club of Beaumont in Texas. The LCC dates back to 1959 and provides an annual opportunity for the Executive Director to meet with peers for the purpose of motivation and exchange of ideas.

Additionally the President Elects have an opportunity to exchange their ideas, plans and goals for the year as President. The Rotarians in Beaumont were outstanding hosts and we had a wonderful time while learning about some of the other large clubs in the US and Canada. Did you know.....?

Our club is the **17th largest club** in the US and 18th largest worldwide. Here are the top 20 clubs in the US (as of July 1, 2012):

1. Seattle	603	11. Toledo	454
2. Birmingham	564	12. San Jose	446
3. Oklahoma City	553	13. Little Rock	436
4. San Antonio	528	14. Ft. Worth	433
5. San Diego	508	16. Milwaukee	374
7. Madison	499	<b>17. Wichita</b>	<b>368</b>
8. Nashville	490	18. Los Angeles	363
9. Baton Rouge	474	19. Chattanooga	358
10. Louisville	470	20. Rochester	355

The Rotary Club of Wichita was the **30th** club to be admitted to membership in 1911. Oklahoma City was number 29 and Denver was number 31.

The average attendance at weekly meetings for large clubs is **51.3%**. Our club's average attendance is **43%**.

The average age of the large club member is **58** years old. Our average age is **59**. The average percentage of female members is **22.5%**. Our club is made up of **23%** women.

The smallest "large" club attending the conference was the Rotary Club of Memphis with 166 members. Memphis will host the LCC next year in January, 2014.

During our interaction with other clubs, Gayle and I came to realize we share many of the same issues and challenges that most Rotary clubs face today; however, we both left with the impression that the Rotary Club of Wichita is doing quite well as compared with its peers, and holding its own in a time of declining interest in service and civic clubs.

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