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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR THE COLUMBIA METRO ROTARY CLUB



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Thank you ...

to **Margaret Conroy** for presenting today's invocation, leading members in the Pledge of Allegiance, and providing a fundraising opportunity.

Members with Guests	
<u>Member</u>	Guest
Sarah Read	Al Cobbins
Sarah Read	Alex Ticgelaor
Mark Claypole	Drew Zorn

FLOAT TRĪPI

Planning for Metro's 14th Annual Float Trip has begun. This year's event will be July 26-28 at Bass River Resort just east of Steelville. Tons of cabins are available if you're not into tent camping, or you can bring your RV or camper and lease one of the pad sites. There is always a float Saturday from 9:00 am through approximately 4:00 pm. It is a slow float as many stops are made to play and eat.

This is a family friendly event, and a good time is guaranteed! Please contact **Casey Buckman** at 573-881-1050 if you would like more information or plan to attend.



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Announcements!

The next member/guest fellowship event will be held after work on May 16 at Logboat Brewing Company (504 Fay Street). All members are invited to attend and bring a prospective Rotarian.

Rotary District 6080 will hold an Assembly Meeting online on May 18 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. Please contact **President Laura** if you would like a link to this meeting.

On June 6, Metro members will meet at 5:30 p.m. for the monthly litter pickup along the stretch of street the club has adopted for this summer. Please meet in the parking lot behind the old Macy's building.

Metro's 31st annual Charter Night celebration will be held June 7 at D. Rowe's Restaurant (1005 Club Village Drive). Members are encouraged to arrive close to 5:00 p.m., and heavy hors d'oeuvres are scheduled to be served at 5:30 p.m.

Metro's Board of Directors will meet June 12 at 1:00 p.m. at the Columbia Country Club.



Metro Committees for the 2024-2025 year are beginning to be organized. Please contact President-Elect **Penny Kuhns-Knarr** if you have a specific committee (or two) you would like to be a part of for the upcoming year.

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Happy Birthday to **Anna Drake** on May 18!

Kudos to Shane Winter, and his son Andrew (below), who volunteered at the Girls on the Run 5K this past Saturday at Oakland Park.



Congratulations to **Michael Kramer**! His 10-minute play was selected to be performed at MU's Comedies in Concert on June 4 at 7:00 p.m. For more information, please visit <u>https://calendar.missouri.edu/ev</u> <u>ent/comedies-in-concert</u>.

Congratulations to **Sarah Read** who won a \$50 gift card to D. Rowe's Restaurant & Bar donated by **Margaret Conroy**. We raised \$62 for Metro charities.

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Happy Hat

Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms Shane Winter invited members to share good thoughts and news about the



topic of their choice. Today's contributors were Shane Winter, Ginny Northcutt, Michael Kramer, Penny Kuhns-Knarr, Shelley Sigholtz, and Mark Claypole.

As a follow up from last week, the winner of the 2024 Eurovision Sona Contest in Malmö. Sweden was Nemo from Switzerland. He sang "The Code," an operatic pop-rap ode.



Next Week's Program

Janet Thompson **District II Commissioner** County of Boone



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The Object of Rotary

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- 1. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- 2. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- 3. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- 4. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.



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AI Cobbins is Newest **CPS Board of Education Member**

In April 2024, AI Cobbins (below) was elected to his first term as a member of the Columbia Public Schools Board of Education.



Al described himself as an "avid community volunteer." He stated that he loves to dedicate his time. resources, and care to people and causes pertaining to local youth. Much of his volunteerism has been in service of youth and families, which Al says has given him insight into the importance of open, clear dialogue in any situation.

As he begins his first year on the school board, Al indicated he would like to help bridge the gap between students and teachers, as well as between administrators and parents. He is a strong public school advocate, and he feels his experience as an educator, as a community organizer, and as a conflict resolutionist will be helpful as he works to benefit Columbia Public Schools' students and their respective families.

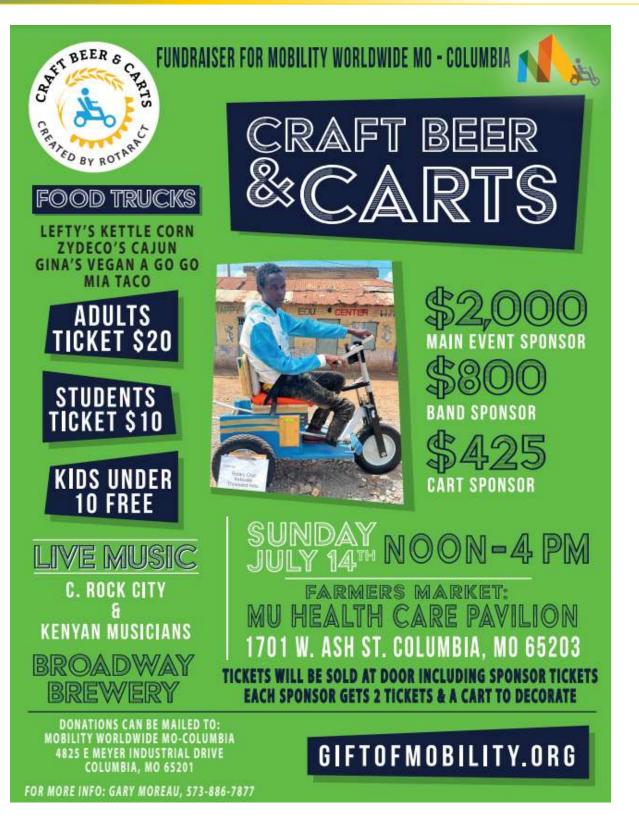
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