



Jefferson City Breakfast Rotary

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This Week At Rotary

This week at Rotary, Kit Freudenberg is responsible for the program and she has put together a really great program. She has not one but five speakers for our meeting. The speakers are all Conservation agents and one will be assigned to each table. After some brief comments, the agents will have some small group discussions which will allow lots of questions and discussion. Bring your best "Ask A Conservation Agent Question" this week!

This Week:

Prayer: Dan McPherson

Humor: Connie Mihalevich

We would like everyone in the club to participate by sharing a humorous story or offering the prayer. To sign up sent Pam Copeland an email to:

pamc@homemakerhealth.org

January 19 – CHICKEN DINNER

January 24 – Jenny Smith, Historical City of Jefferson

January 31 – Linda Heckman, JCPS Teacher of the Year

If you have an idea for a program, send Kay Freidinger an email to: KFreidinger@premierbank.com

Current Bylaws Attached

Last week, I attached a copy of the proposed bylaws and at least one member has asked if were possible to include the current bylaws to have as a comparison. The current bylaws appear below. Again, thanks to **Steve Stark** for his work on this project.

Chicken Dinner Is This Friday!

The countdown is now down to just a few days as we are quickly approaching the Breakfast Rotary annual Chicken Dinner on January 19 at the Knights of Columbus. Special thanks to **Tony Shanley** who is spearheading this event. Tony has put in numerous hours planning and preparing for the event and preparing the tickets. All we have to do is SELL, SELL, SELL!!! And it is good to know that the proceeds will go to help two very deserving agencies right here in our community that work extremely hard to make ends meet with the funds they have. The Boys and Girls Club and the Big Brothers Big Sisters programs are very appreciative our efforts to provide assistance. Let's don't let the down. It will take a lot of volunteers next Friday to help serve food and clean tables. If you haven't signed up to help, there will be a sign up sheet at the meeting on Wednesday. And if you completely miss the signup, just come to the Knights of Columbus on Friday night between 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm and undoubtedly we will have a job for you.

Rotary Foundation Benefactors

This week's Rotary Foundation Thought is about becoming a Benefactor. A Rotary Foundation Benefactor is a person who has notified The Rotary Foundation that he/she has made provisions in their final state plans, or made an outright gift of US\$1000 or more to The Rotary Foundation's Permanent Fund. Benefactors receive a commemorative certificate, a letter of appreciation and a blue and gold recognition insignia to attach to their Rotary or Paul Harris Fellow pin. A US\$1000 gift to The Foundation creates a legacy of helping people lead better lives around the world. There are over 68,000 Benefactors in the Rotary world today. If you are interested in becoming one, please see **Reg Turnbull** for more information.

Current Bylaws

Bylaws of the Rotary Club of Jefferson City Breakfast, Missouri, United States of America

Article I Election of Officers

Section 1 — At the annual meeting, the presiding officer shall ask for nominations by members of the club for president, president-elect, secretary, treasurer, and sergeant-at-arms. The nominations may be presented by a nominating committee or by members from the floor, or by both. The nominating committee shall consist of the immediate three past presidents who shall nominate a new sergeant-at-arms. The current sergeant-at-arms, treasurer, secretary, and president-elect shall be nominated for the next office in line to the president, respectively, unless any officer withdraws, resigns, or terminates membership. The candidates for president, president-elect, secretary, treasurer, and sergeant-at-arms receiving a majority of the votes shall be declared elected to their respective offices.

Section 2 — The officers, so elected, together with the immediate past president, along with the four service committee chairpersons appointed by the president-elect shall constitute the board of directors.

Section 3 — A vacancy in any office shall be filled by action of the remaining members of the board.

Section 4 — A vacancy in the position of any officer-elect shall be filled by action of the remaining members of the board of directors-elect.

Article II Board of Directors

The governing body of this club shall be the board of directors consisting of ten members of this club, namely, the president, president-elect, secretary, treasurer, sergeant-at-arms, the immediate past president, and the chairpersons appointed by the president of the club service, vocational service, community service, and international service committees.

Article III Duties of Officers

Section 1 — *President*. The duties of the president shall be to preside at meetings of the club and board and to perform such other duties as ordinarily pertain to the office of president.

Section 2 — *President-elect*. The duties of the president-elect shall be to serve on the board of directors of the club, to perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the president or the board, and to preside at meetings of the club and board in the absence of the president and to perform such other duties as ordinarily pertain to an office of vice-president.

Section 3 — *Secretary*. The duties of the secretary shall be to keep the records of membership, record the attendance at meetings, send out notices of meetings of the club, board and committees, record and preserve the minutes of such meetings, make the required reports to Rotary International (“RI”), including the semiannual reports of membership, which shall be made to the general secretary of RI on January 1st and July 1st of each year, and including prorated reports to the general secretary on 1 October and 1 April of each active member who has been elected to membership in the club since the start of the July or January semiannual reporting period, the report of changes in membership, which shall be made to the general secretary of RI, the monthly report of attendance at the club meetings, which shall be made to the district governor within 15 days of the last meeting of the month, collect and remit to RI subscriptions to *THE ROTARIAN*, and perform such other duties as usually pertain to the office of secretary.

Section 4 — *Treasurer*. The duties of the treasurer shall be to have custody of all funds, accounting for same to the club annually and at any other time upon demand by the board and to perform such other duties as pertain to the office of treasurer. Upon retirement from office, the treasurer shall turn over to the incoming treasurer or to the president all funds, books of accounts or any other club property.

Section 5 — *Sergeant-at-Arms*. The duties of the sergeant-at-arms shall be such as are usually prescribed for such office and such other duties as may be prescribed by the president or the board.

Article IV Meetings

Section 1 — *Annual Meeting*. An annual meeting of this club shall be held on the first Wednesday of December in each year, at which time the election of officers to serve for the ensuing year shall take place.

Section 2 — The regular weekly meetings of this club shall be held on Wednesday at 7:00 a. m. to 8:00 a. m. Due notice of any changes in or canceling of the regular meeting shall be given to all members of the club. All members excepting an honorary member (or member excused by the board of directors of this club, pursuant to article VIII, section 2 (b) of the standard Rotary club constitution) in good standing in this club, on the day of the regular meeting, must be counted as present or absent, and attendance must be evidenced by the member’s being present for at least sixty (60) percent of the time devoted to the regular meeting, either at this club or at any other Rotary club, or as otherwise provided in the standard Rotary club constitution, article VIII, section 1.

Section 3 — One-third of the membership shall constitute a quorum at the annual and regular meetings of this club.

Section 4 — Regular meetings of the board shall be set by the president subject to approval of the board each month at a date, time, and place announced by the president or secretary. Special meetings of the board shall be called by the president, whenever deemed necessary, or upon the request of two (2) members of the board, due notice having been given.

Section 5 — A majority of the board members shall constitute a quorum of the board.

Article V Fees and Dues

Section 1 — The admission fee shall be \$50.00 plus pro-rated quarterly dues to be paid before the applicant can qualify as a member.

Section 2 — The membership dues shall be \$308.00 per annum, payable quarterly at \$77.00 per quarter, on the first days of July, September, January, and April, with the understanding that six dollars, three dollars (\$3.00) of each semiannual payment, shall be applied to each member's subscription to *THE ROTARIAN* magazine.

Article VI Method of Voting

The business of this club shall be transacted by voice vote, unless a member present requests a count of a show of hands of those present.

Article VII Committees

Section 1 — (a) The president shall, subject to the approval of the board, appoint the chairpersons and members of the following standing committees:

- Club Service committee
- Vocational Service committee
- Community Service committee
- International Service committee.

(b) The president shall, subject to the approval of the board, also appoint such committees on particular phases of club service, vocational service, community service and international service as deemed necessary.

(c) The club service committee, vocational service committee, community service committee, and international service committee shall each consist of a chairman, who shall be appointed by the president from the membership of the Club and at least two (2) other members who may be assigned certain task, functions or committees.

(d) The president shall be an *ex officio* member of all committees and, as such, shall have all the privileges of membership thereon.

(e) Each committee shall transact such business as is delegated to it in the bylaws and such additional business as may be referred to it by the president or the board. Except where special authority is given by the board, such committees shall not take action until a report has been made to the board and approved by the board.

Section 2 — *Club Service Committee.*

(a) The chairman of the club service committee shall be responsible for all club service activities and shall supervise and coordinate the work of all committees or persons appointed by the president on particular phases of club service.

(b) The club service committee shall consist of the chairman of the club service committee and the chairmen of all committees appointed on particular phases of club service as well as persons charged with particular tasks or functions.

Section 3 — *Community Service Committee.*

(a) The chairman of the community service committee shall be responsible for all community service activities and shall supervise and coordinate the work of all committees or persons appointed by the president on particular phases of community service.

(b) The community service committee shall consist of the chairman of the community service committee and the chairmen of all committees appointed on particular phases of community service as well as persons charged with particular tasks or functions.

Section 4 — *Vocational Service Committee.*

(a) The chairman of the vocational service committee shall be responsible for all vocational service activities and shall supervise and coordinate the work of all committees or persons appointed by the president on particular phases of vocational service.

(b) The vocational service committee shall consist of the chairman of the vocational service committee and the chairmen of all committees appointed on particular phases of club service as well as persons charged with particular tasks or functions.

Section 5 — *International Service Committee.*

(a) The chairman of the international service committee shall be responsible for all international service activities and shall supervise and coordinate the work of all committees or persons appointed by the president on particular phases of vocational service.

(b) The club service committee shall consist of the chairman of the international service committee and the chairmen of all committees appointed on particular phases of international service as well as persons charged with particular tasks or functions.

Article VIII Duties of Committees

Section 1 — *Club Service Committee.* This committee shall devise and carry into effect plans which will guide and assist the members of this club in discharging their responsibilities in matters relating to club service. The chairman of this committee shall be responsible for the club service activities of the club, shall report to the board on club service activities, and shall supervise and coordinate the work of any persons or committees that may be appointed by the president on particular phases of vocational service, including the following:

- Newsletter
- Membership
- Fellowship
- Program
- Humor Coordination
- Invocation Coordination
- Historian
- New Member Orientation
- Public Relations
- Audit

- Technology (website)
- Other tasks or responsibilities as assigned.

Section 2 — *Vocational Service Committee*. This committee shall devise and carry into effect plans which will guide and assist the members of this club in discharging their responsibilities in their vocational relationships and in improving the general standards of practice in their respective vocations. The chairman of this committee shall be responsible for the vocational service activities of the club, shall report to the board on vocational service activities, and shall supervise and coordinate the work of any persons or committees that may be appointed by the president on particular phases of vocational service, including the following:

- Classification
- Offsite visits
- Scholarships
- Rotary Youth Leadership Exchange
- State Government Day
- Other tasks or responsibilities as assigned.

Section 3 — *Community Service Committee*. This committee shall devise and carry into effect plans which will guide and assist the members of this club in discharging their responsibilities in their community relationships. The chairman of this committee shall be responsible for the community service activities of the club, shall report to the board on community service activities, and shall supervise and coordinate the work of any persons or committees that may be appointed by the president on particular phases of community service, including the following:

- Chicken Dinner (or other major fundraiser)
- Quarterly Volunteer Service Award
- Trash Pickup
- Habitat for Humanity
- Meals on Wheels
- Golf Tournament
- Other tasks or responsibilities as assigned.

Section 4 — *International Service Committee*. This committee shall devise and carry into effect plans which will guide and assist the members of this club in discharging their responsibilities in matters relating to international service. The chairman of this committee shall be responsible for the international service activities of the club, shall report to the board on international service activities, and shall supervise and coordinate the work of any persons or committees that may be appointed by the president on particular phases of international service, including the following:

- Exchange Student Counseling
- Polio Plus
- Group Study Exchange
- Outgoing Exchange Student
- Rotary Foundation
- Other tasks or responsibilities as assigned.

Article IX Exchange Student

The club shall host, if feasible and practicable, one foreign exchange student each year. The board shall authorize the payment of a monthly stipend to the visiting foreign exchange student by the club in an amount to be determined by the board. In addition, the board has the discretion to authorize payment from time to time by the club for other miscellaneous expenses incurred by the visiting foreign exchange student.

Article X Leave of Absence

Upon written application to the board, setting forth good and sufficient cause, leave of absence may be granted excusing a member from attending the meetings of the club for a specified length of time. [Note: Such leave of absence does operate to prevent a forfeiture of membership; it does not operate to give the club credit for the member's attendance. Unless the member attends a regular meeting of some other club, the excused member must be recorded as absent except that absence authorized under the provisions of article VIII, section 2(b), of the standard Rotary club constitution is not computed in the attendance record of the club.]

Article XI Finances

Section 1 — The treasurer shall deposit all funds of the club in some bank to be named by the board.

Section 2 — All bills shall be paid only by checks signed by the treasurer upon vouchers initialed by any two officers or upon authorization by board action. A thorough audit by a certified public accountant or other qualified person shall be made once each year of all the club's financial transactions.

Section 3 — Officers having charge or control of funds shall give bond as may be required by the board for the safe custody of the funds of the club, cost of bond to be borne by the club.

Section 4 — The fiscal year of this club shall extend from July 1st to June 30th, and for the collection of members' dues shall be divided into four (4) quarterly periods extending from July 1st to September 30, October 1 to December 31st, January 1 to March 31, and from April 1st to June 30th. The payment of per capita dues and magazine subscriptions to RI shall be made on July 1st and January 1st of each year on the basis of the membership of the club on those dates.

Section 5 — At the beginning of each fiscal year the board shall prepare or cause to be prepared a budget of estimated income and estimated expenditures for the year, which, having been agreed to by the board, shall stand as the limit of expenditures for the respective purposes unless otherwise ordered by action of the board.

Article XII Method of Electing Members

Section 1 — The name of a prospective member, proposed by an active member of the club, shall be submitted to the board in writing, through the club secretary. A transferring or former member of another club may be proposed to active membership by the former

club. The proposal, for the time being, shall be kept confidential, except as otherwise provided in this procedure.

Section 2 — The board shall ensure that the proposal meets all the classification and membership requirements of the club constitution.

Section 3 — The board shall approve or disapprove the proposal within 30 days of its submission, and shall notify the proposer, through the club secretary, of its decision.

Section 4 — If the decision of the board is favorable, the prospective member shall receive an orientation about of the purposes of Rotary, of the privileges and responsibilities of membership and of club procedures, following which the prospective member shall be requested to sign the membership proposal form and to permit his or her name and proposed classification to be published to the club.

Section 5 — If no written objection to the proposal, stating reasons, is received by the board from any member (other than honorary) of the club within seven (7) days following publication of information about the prospective member, that person, upon payment of the admission fee (if not honorary membership), as prescribed in these bylaws, shall be considered to be elected to membership. If any such objection has been filed with the board, it shall vote on this matter at its next meeting. If approved despite the objection, the proposed member, upon payment of the admission fee (if not honorary membership), shall be considered to be elected to membership.

Section 6 — Following the election, the president shall arrange for the induction of the new member; the club secretary shall issue a membership card and shall report the new member to RI; and the Rotary information committee shall provide appropriate literature for presentation at the induction and assign a member to assist in the assimilation of the new member.

Article XIII Club Awards

Section 1 — *Club Rotarian of the Year.* This award is presented annually to the outstanding club member for each year. The recipient is nominated by the three (3) immediate past winners (who are members of the club) with the most recent winner acting as chairperson. The name of the person for each year shall be presented to the board for approval before the award is made.

Section 2 — *Quarterly Community Service.* This award is presented each quarter to a citizen in the community who, although not a member of any Rotary Club, performs valuable community service and exemplifies the “Spirit of Rotary.” The winner shall be chosen by a committee appointed by the president and approved by the board before the award is made.

Section 3 — **Scholarships.** Two scholarship awards shall be presented annually – one to a graduating senior of Jefferson City Senior High School and one to a graduating senior of Helias High School. The scholarship is for \$500.00 per year for two years. Recipients shall be chosen by a committee appointed by the president on the basis of scholarship (class rank), financial need, demonstration of leadership skills, and extra-curricular activities and approved by the board before the award is made.

Article XIV Resolutions

No resolution or motion to commit this club on any matter shall be considered by the club until it has been considered by the board. Such resolutions or motions, if offered at a club meeting, shall be referred to the board without discussion. The board may invite the proponent of the resolution or motion to address the board on the issue.

Article XV Order of Business

- Breakfast.
- Meeting called to order.
- Pledge of Allegiance.
- Invocation.
- Introduction of visiting Rotarians.
- Humor.
- 50/50 drawing
- Announcements.
- Program features.
- Adjournment.

Article XVI Amendments

These bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting, a quorum being present, by a two-thirds vote of all members present, provided that notice and copy of such proposed amendment shall have been given to each member at least ten (10) days before such meeting. No amendment or addition to these bylaws can be made which is not in harmony with the club constitution and with the constitution and bylaws of Rotary International.

SECRETARY