

Meeting Assignments

Today

Greet: Judy Stiles
Pray: Brad Speaks
Sing: John Sommer
Intro Guests: Norm Swalls
Program:
Christmas Program
Vocational: None

Next Meeting (January 6)

Greet: Dorothy Seavers
Pray: Ilene Shehan
Sing: Mark Smith
Intro Guests: Tom Smith
Program:
Vocational: John Ferguson



Rotary Calendar: What's goin' on

- Dec 30 No Club Meeting
- Jan 6 Vocational Talk by John Ferguson
- Jan 13 No Club Meeting
- Jan 15 Wine Tasting at Ophelia's
- Jan 20 Vocational Talk by Linda McNicholas
- Jan 22 Truman High School Career Day



Web Connections

Club WEB SITE: <http://www.rotary-independence-mo.org>
District Web Site: [_www.rotary6040.org_](http://www.rotary6040.org) (<http://www.rotary6040.org>)



Spoke Contact

If you have material for inclusion in the Spoke please send the information to Ron Thornbury at ronthornbury@comcast.net. You may also call Ron at 816-254-2050 (Work) or 816-729-4026 (Cell).

The Independence Spoke

Rotary International

2008-2009

Theme: Make Dreams Real



D. K. Lee, President

The Independence, Missouri Rotary Club

Independence Club President: Jim Blau

Tuesday, December 23, 2008

Special Guest Topic

Christmas Program

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Welcome guests and visiting Rotarians!



Club Mailing Address

All Club correspondence should be directed to the following address: P> O> Box 176, Independence, Missouri 64051



Billing Inquiries

Greg Finke is the club treasurer and can take care of any billing inquiries. Any billing inquiries should be sent to Greg at indeprotarytreasurer@gmail.com. Greg will also have the club laptop with him at meetings so any changes or updates can be taken care of immediately.



Personal Updates

It is important that each member's personal information be kept up to date for club information and billing. Please be sure to let Allen Garner, Tom Waters, or Ron Thornbury know of any changes to your address, phone numbers, or e-mail addresses.



Grant Proposals

Larry Jones is the Grant Committee Chair. Please present all grant requests for consideration to Larry and not to the Executive Committee. Larry can be reached at ljones@indepmo.org or at 816-325-7986.



Attendance

Regular attendance at club meetings is a requirement of Rotary. In the future, the Spoke will contain current attendance figures for your perusal. While attendance at our club meetings is generally considered to be good, there is always room to improve. As well, once monthly there will be placemats on the tables that will include a roster of members, other clubs for make-up and website. If you cannot attend a specific meeting, please be sure to make up for that missed meeting. Please see Tom Waters for other clubs in the area or a club in the area you may be traveling and the times of their meetings. Remember that missed club meetings should be made up within fourteen days. Make ups can also be done online at www.Rotary.com. It takes about 15 minutes.



Wine Tasting

A Holiday Wine Tasting has been scheduled for Thursday, January 15, 5:30 to 7:30 at Ophelia's Restaurant on the square. Dress will be casual and you are encouraged to bring your spouse or significant other. There will be Shrimp Cocktail, Cheese and Cracker Tray and Fresh Fruit. The club will be dark on our regularly scheduled meeting January 13. Since this is to replace our regular meeting, there is no cost for members. Cost for guests will be \$10.00. This will be a fun outing and a great opportunity to enjoy the fellowship of other club members and their spouses. You are encouraged to attend and join in the fun.



Next Club Meeting Jan. 6

The Club will be dark next Tuesday, December 30. The next scheduled club meeting will be Tuesday, January 6, 2009. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all Rotarians and their families.

