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THE NEWSLETTER FOR THE COLUMBIA METRO ROTARY CLUB

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Opening

President Bill Costello welcomed members, visitors and guests to today's meeting. **Sandra Logan** led the group with the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance and **Jim Sharrock** introduced our visitors and guests.

Attendance

Visitors & Guests of Members:

No Report

Announcements

Thanks to **Lori Pewitt** and **Don Ludwig** for greeting members and guests as they arrived at today's meeting.

Britny Wright has the forms needed for anyone interested in taking in a Youth Exchange student.

The Vocational Service Award will be made next week, June 2nd.

The Fellowship Committee currently is selling Charter Night tickets for the June 11th event.

The 1st Thursday Happy Hour on June 3rd will be at Boone Tavern on the patio.

The Fellowship and Community Services Committees are teaming up with support from Boone Electric Cooperative and Rotaract to host an Aug. Blood Drive. If you would like to be a part of planning and hosting this event, please talk with **Kimberly Earnest**. We are having a planning meeting/brown bag lunch at Boone Electric Coop on Tues., June 15th @ noon.

Pat Hostetler announced the June 14th American Heart Association Heart Walk at Peace Park and requested our involvement.

Family of Rotary

Norm Benedict shared that on this date in 1959, Pittsburgh's pitcher retired the first 36 Braves, only to lose the Perfect Game in the 13th inning. In 1998, the Supreme Court ruled that Ellis Island is actually part of New Jersey.

A Columbia Business Times article announced **Todd Culley** is the new President at Boone Electric Co-op.

Sergeant-at-Arms

Brad Nelson attended the return of this past Monday's Honor Flight and encouraged us all to attend the next one in June. He also asked when the keyhole was added to the Rotary emblem. The answer is 1928. Those who answered incorrectly were fined \$1.

Upcoming Programs

June 2.....History of the U.S. Flag
Russ Williams

June 9.....Youth Exchange Program

Assignments

Metro Rotary appreciates having the following members provide the raffle prize, sell the tickets, say the invocation, and lead the pledge. Please show your support by purchasing tickets that enable us to support our charities.

Raffle/Invocation/Pledge:

June 2.....**Les Borgmeyer**

June 9.....**Yolanda Ciolli**

Next up for Greeters:

June 2.....**Shawn Barnes & Greg Johnson**

June 9.....**Win Burggraaff & Josh Kittle**

Program Summary

Classification Talks

Gary Warren and Ryan Lidolph

Gary Warren was born here in Columbia, attended Rock Bridge High School then Lincoln University – where he joined the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. He believes that “nothing motivates you in life like life itself.” After playing semi-pro football, **Warren** was hired by the Columbia Fire Department. He's held the position of Rank Battalion Chief for the past five years.



Gary Warren

He also coaches Youth Football, and is the JV Head Coach at RBHS. **Gary** shared a video he made for his wife of eleven years, Maya. They have a son at RBHS and a nine year-old daughter. **Gary** is a two-time cancer survivor and believes experiences are what makes you and “you can tell how blessed a person is by the friends he has.”



Ryan Lidolph

Ryan Lidolph is a Landmark Bank Commercial Lender. He was born and raised in Nebraska and asked us to play Name that Stereotype – which resulted in us learning **Ryan** was born and raised on

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a farm three-miles south of Lincoln, and he's a football-crazed conservative. His hobbies are not-doing-anything and rock-n-roll music. He and his wife Elaine have two boys – Brady and Austin.

Ryan alleges he's a boring, uninteresting person who graduated from college in 2004 and has been in banking ever since.

Raffle

Congratulations to **Anna DeJong** for winning this week's raffle prize, a \$50 gift certificates to Outback Steakhouse courtesy of **Sandra Logan**. We raised \$77 on the raffle.

*Thanks to **Anna DeJong** for providing the notes for the May 26, 2010 Metro newsletter.*