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Announcements

- **The Board will meet immediately after the November 3 meeting.**
- At last week's meeting Dave Stanley was presented a pin with four sapphires denoting that he is a four-time Paul Harris Fellow. Thanks to Dave for his continued support of Rotary International.



- Tom Connolly of the Rotary Club of Clinton thanked our club for its support of two students to attend RYLA in the summer.

Rotary Business

- If you miss a meeting, be sure to make up during the two weeks before or after the missed meeting. You can make up at another club or on line at one of these e-clubs:
 - E-club of Southeast USA www.recswusa.org
 - Rotary E-club NY1 www.rotaryclubny1.com
 - Rotary Club of District 7890 www.rotaryclub7890.org.
- Please notify **Devrin Kuipers** when you make up a meeting. His email address is devrin@devrin.com.
- Rotarians who make up at the Sunset Club pay \$10.

Last Week

October 27, 2014

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Beacon Center of Tennessee - School Choice Now

Justin Owen



November Birthdays

Jon Carlberg

11/3

Patty Cox

11/10

Chuck Darling

11/17

Dean Deatherage

11/24

Upcoming Events

Weekly Meeting 11/3/2014

Program: **Joan Cronan**
Sports Programs at UTK
Invocation: Jon Carlberg
Greeters: Dean Deatherage &
Devrin Kuipers

Weekly Meeting 11/10/2014

Program: **Club Assembly**
Invocation: Chuck Darling
Greeters: Dean Deatherage &
Devrin Kuipers

Weekly Meeting 11/17/2014

Program: **TBD**
Invocation: Dean Deatherage
Greeters: Dean Deatherage &
Devrin Kuipers

Weekly Meeting 11/24/2014

Program: **Jerry Creasey**
"A Polio Survivor's Story"
Invocation: Jim Dodson
Greeters: Dean Deatherage &
Devrin Kuipers



Justin Owen opened his talk by stating that "every child is unique, and all children have the potential to succeed." According to Owen, the Beacon Center of Tennessee is an independent, nonprofit and nonpartisan research organization dedicated to providing concerned citizens with research and free market solutions to public policy issues in the State. The organization supports a policy by which parents with children in failing schools might choose to send their children to private or other types of schools and part of the State funding for the child could be used to help cover the cost of the alternative educational plan.

Alternate educational programs include charter schools, virtual schools, home schools, and private schools. Charter schools are tuition-free public school. Parents, teachers, and community leaders sign a "charter" or contract with a school district or state agency to create a charter school and give students more educational options than their assigned school. Charter schools have flexibility over classroom hours, curriculum, and employment policies, but are subject to periodic reviews based on students performance.

Virtual schools are online schools that enroll students from all walks of life. Some virtual programs offer individual courses, while other students attend online schools full-time.

Homeschooling allows families to educate their children at home rather than enroll them in a full-time traditional public, charter, or private school. Home school groups operate around the state to help families find great opportunities for their children.

Private schools operate separate from the traditional public school system. Most charge tuition and some have a religious mission. Some private schools offer families assistance to make tuition payments.

Kroger Community Rewards Program

To use the Kroger Community Rewards Program, you should register online at www.krogercommunityrewards.com.

- Be sure to have your Kroger Plus card handy and register your card with your organization (**Oak Ridge Rotary Sunset Community Fund**) after you sign up.
- If you do not have a Kroger Plus card, you can get one at the customer service desk in the store.
- Click on **Sign In/Register**.
- Most participants are new online customers, so they must click on **SIGN UP TODAY SIGN UP TODAY** in the 'New Customers' box.
- Sign up for a Kroger Rewards Account: enter your zip code, click on **Favorite Store Favorite Store**, enter your email address and create a password, and agree to the terms and conditions.

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- You will then get a message to check your email and click on the link within the body of the email.
 - Click on **My Account** and use your email address and password to proceed to the next step.
 - Click on **Edit Kroger Community Rewards** information and input your Kroger Plus card number.
 - Update or confirm your information.
 - Enter NPO number (**65746**) or name of the organization, select organization from list and click on **Confirm**.
 - To verify that you are enrolled correctly, you will see your organization's name on the right side of your information page.
 - REMEMBER, purchases will not count for our club until after you register your card.
 - To use your phone number to register, call 800-576-4377 and select option 4 to get your Kroger Plus card number.
 - You must swipe your registered Kroger Plus card or use the phone number that is related to your registered Kroger Plus card when shopping for each purchase to count.