

# The Hub Oshkosh Rotary Southwest

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### **July 23, 2003**

## Today's Program Club Assembly

The programmed speakers have been rescheduled

#### **Literacy Month**

Oshkosh Southwest Rotary supports Literacy in the community by working with our Pal. Our club has chosen Roosevelt School as our Pal. The Pal program was started by Oshkosh Southwest and turned over to the Chamber to continue throughout the city.

Pals – Partners at Learning was established to connect the needs and goals of the school system with the resources and talents of businesses and community organizations. We participate as a group and individually with the activities at the school.

We have special interest groups before school. They have included cooking, checkers, pets, and computers. Some members have tutored students after school. Some of the members have read books in the classes. One Wednesday a year our club has lunch with the students. Oshkosh Southwest also sponsors the Birthday books, where each student on his or her birthday is able to pick out a book as a gift.

#### Waterfest July 24 - Tomorrow

Bill Wresch - Chairman

S W Rotary sponsors the Gin Blossoms, Benjy Davis Project & Johnny Radd at Waterfest. We need your help pleas sign up. Friends and family over the age of 18 may also volunteer.

Networking – July 30

#### EAA Brat Fry – July 31

Tom Shepeck - Chairman

The 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Flying Rotarians Meeting will be held at the EAA Nature Center behind the museum. This meeting has been arranged for the visiting Rotarians from around the world to be able to have a make up meeting while traveling. Food will be served from 11:45 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. The cost is \$11.00 a person, payable at the registration desk or sign up on the sheet at your table to be billed. You must sign in at the registration desk and receive your dinner ticket. There is ample parking by the shelter. As in all events some help is still needed from our membership.

Our speaker this year is Darrell Collins. He is a Historian for the Wright Brothers National Memorial at Kitty Hawk. He is a nationally renown speaker on the Wright Brothers.

#### **Members Fun Night - August 5**

Wayne Traska - Chairman

Paul Fowler has offered his Lake Winnebago "retreat" for "Members Only Fun Night." Join us for volleyball, campfire, horseshoes, cards, food, refreshments, conversation and the beautiful view of our great lake. The committee will arrange for the side dishes, soda and beer. You need to bring the meat you would like to cook. The grills are started at 6:00 P.M. Sign up sheets are on your table.

This is a good event for the new members to get to know other members of the club.

#### **Museum - August 6** Networking at Robbins

Please join us for a special Rotary Luncheon at the Oshkosh Public Museum. You will get a sneak preview of an exhibit highlighting the history of Wisconsin Public Service. The display will not open to the Public until August 10.

Displays ranging from the earliest advertising to the initial articles of incorporation and stock certificates will be there. Tools and testing devices, protective gear, construction techniques, metering equipment and much more will be on display.

Did you know that Public Service was founded here in Oshkosh? Its corporate underpinnings began in the Sawyer House, which is now the Museum.

You'll learn how a simple "NO" to a request for gas service to the Sawyer House started a business which is now over 130 years old.

Arnie Rentmeister, a retiree and expert on the company's history, will provide a presentation on the materials.

#### **Back to School Fair - August 12**

Bonnie Behnke and Marcus Butts - Chairpersons

The School Fair will be held at West High School. We are looking for volunteers to help families through the fair. We have 1 1/2 hour shifts starting from 1:00-8:00P.M. Any one interested in helping can let Bonnie know. We are again look for funds from the club members. To Sponsor a backpack you need to pledge \$15 on the sheets at the tables. This will help to supply needy children in the community with school supplies.

Any one that has collected old tennis shoes should get them to Jim Chitwood. The University will clean them again this year to have them ready for the School Fair.

We will be working all day Monday Aug 11th as well as setting up the fair and could use any extra help. I will have sign up sheets for both volunteering as well as sponsorship on the tables. Any help would GREATLY be appreciated. Thank you!

#### **Boat Outing – August 21**

#### Golf Outing - September 5

#### **Super Bowl – February 1 Fundraiser**

#### **Board Meeting – July 17**

**Secretary's Report** – The club had 73.2% attendance for the month of June.

**Treasurer's Report** – A discussion was held on having a formal audit each year or every other year. A check will be made on the expense and a report will be given at the next meeting. During a discussion on the proposed budget, the decision was made to have an assembly at the next meeting and to reschedule the speaker.

**International Service** – Bill Thimke gave a report on the Soy Cow machine for our Peru project. The discussion included the cost of building the machine, shipping and training. The board approved the expenses to be brought before the club. August 20<sup>th</sup> our new inbound

student from Germany will arrive Kathryn Thome will be the first host family. Please check your calendars and schedule some time to meet Ellen. Polio Plus drive is still not finished; a report will be made soon.

Community Service – The Lynn Webster Flag Pole pledge cards will be placed on the tables those wishing to participate please pick the brochure up. United way was discussed and \$1000.00 was voted upon as Oshkosh Southwest's donation. An additional \$100.00 was voted on for the kick off lunch on September 10<sup>th</sup>. Both were passed by the board. A donation was requested by Second Harvest and the board approved \$500.00. An announcement of help needed at the Children's Parade will be placed on the table.

**Vocational Service** – The back to school fair was discussed. Nothing else at this time since school is not in session.

**Club Service** – There are several people that need to fill out the form for membership. Nothing will be done until the paperwork is in. Waterfest is next week and will be asking for some more helpers again at the meeting.

#### **Proposed Member**

Richard (Dick) Rueckl has been proposed by Bonnie Behnke. He is the Director of Support Services at Affinity. If you have a person that you would like to propose as a member contact Jack Klein for the proper paper work.

#### Leaving Early

President Kent has asked that the members that will be leaving early use courteous protocol. Please approach the speaker ahead of time, inform them that you need to leave early and excuse yourself. Please leave quietly.

On July 11<sup>th</sup> funeral services were held at Peace Lutheran Church for long time member Ed Lindner. We express our sympathy and support for Ed's family and friends.

Gloria Mlotshwa the exchange student from Zimbabwe has a cell phone with voice mail. Her number is 379-6366. She would love to get to know all of you better.

#### The Four Way Test

By Herbert I. Taylor – Chicago – 1932 Of the things we think, say or do:

First: Is it the truth?

**Second:** Is it fair to all concerned?

**Third:** Will it build goodwill and better friendships? **Fourth:** Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

#### Information for the HUB

Directors and chairman of committees we would like to have more information in the HUB about what is happening in your areas.

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