



The Hub

Oshkosh Rotary Southwest

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February 4, 2004

Today's Program
Elizabeth Nevitt, Ass't Governor

World Understanding Month
History of The Rotary Foundation

In 1917, Arch C. Klumph, Rotary's sixth president, proposed to the Rotary International Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, USA, the creation of an "endowment fund for Rotary . . . for the purpose of doing good in the world in charitable, educational, and other avenues of community service." A few months later, the endowment received its first contribution of \$26.50 from the Rotary Club of Kansas City, Missouri, USA.

In 1928, when the endowment fund had grown to more than US\$5,000, the fund was renamed The Rotary Foundation, and it became a distinct entity within Rotary International. Five Trustees, including Klumph, were appointed to "hold, invest, manage, and administer all of its property. . . as a single trust, for the furtherance of the purposes of RI."

Two years later, the Foundation made its first grant of US\$500 to the International Society for Crippled Children. The ISCC — created by Rotarian Edgar F. "Daddy" Allen — later grew into the Easter Seals organization.

The Great Depression and World War II both impeded significant growth for the Foundation, but the need for promoting a lasting world peace generated great post-war interest in developing the Foundation. After Rotary founder Paul P. Harris died in 1947, contributions began pouring into Rotary International, and the Paul Harris Memorial Fund was created for the purpose of building the Foundation.

That same year, the first Foundation program was established — Fellowships for Advanced Study,

which was the forerunner of the Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships program. Then in 1965-66, three new programs were launched — Group Study Exchange, Awards for Technical Training, and Grants for Activities in Keeping with the Objective of The Rotary Foundation, which was later called Matching Grants.

The Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) program was launched in 1978, with the Rotary Volunteers program being created as a part of 3-H in 1980. The [PolioPlus](#) program was announced in 1984-85, and the following year saw the introduction of Rotary Grants for University Teachers. The first Peace Forums were held in 1987-88, leading to the establishment of Rotary Peace Programs. Then in 1989, 1963-64 RI President Carl P. Miller and his wife, Ruth, donated US\$1 million to establish the Discovery Grants program.

Throughout this time, support of the Foundation grew tremendously. Since that first \$26.50 donation in 1917, the Foundation has received contributions totaling more than US\$1 billion. More than US\$68 million was donated in 1998-99 alone. To date, some 726,000 individuals have been recognized as Paul Harris Fellows — that is, someone who has contributed US\$1000 or has had that amount contributed in his or her name.

Celebration of Lights

IT WAS LOST, BUT MIGHT NOW BE FOUND
A number of items were left behind from Celebration of Lights volunteers, ranging from mittens to tools to coffee mugs. Craig Burnett will have them at the next few Rotary meetings,

so if you lost something, please look through the collection.

Vocational Service

Before School Interest Group at Roosevelt Elementary School. Thank you for volunteering to help in the Before School Interest Group at Roosevelt. Fran Finley will be providing you a copy of your schedule along with instructions for your scheduled activity. There is still a blank for March 4 for golfing so if you can volunteer for that day, please let Fran know by email (fran.finley@aurora.org), or call 456-7606. Thanks so much for making a difference in a child' s morning!

Club Service

The Directory is up-to-date and posted on the Club Web site.

International Service

The equipment has been assembled and ready for shipping. Other items will be added from Oshkosh doctors and clinics. The Kenya Healthcare Center will be starting off with the placement of many needed items.

The paper work for next years exchange student will be processed in the next few weeks. The first host family needs to be listed on the form. If you are interested in hosting our exchange student next year talk to Tom Shepeck.

Ellen has moved to the Bohlman's home over the weekend. She would love to get to know you better. If you have a free night or will be going to an event that you have room for one more please call Ellen and invite her to be with you.

Future Programs

February 11- Inductions/Classification talks

February 15 - Sam Muinde, Kenya

February 25 - Dave Buettner, FVTC President

March 10 – This meeting is being changed to the Pioneer Inn at 12:00. Governor Doyle will be our speaker. This is a joint meeting for the Oshkosh Rotary Clubs.

Upcoming Events

March 12 – Club Social event. Get Down Tonight the 2nd annual Rotary Theater Night. The Bus will leave Festival Foods parking lot at 5:00 P.M. Cocktails will start at 6:15 P.M. with dinner at 7:00 P.M. The show starts at 8:00 P.M. The cost is \$59.00 each. Sign up sheets will be on the tables.

March 26 – Wine Feast at City Center. Chairman Paul Gaier. The next Winefeast meeting will be held on Wednesday Jan 28th at 11:30. Anyone interested in joining this committee is certainly welcome. Winefeast is our biggest fundraiser of the year and one of the most fun to attend. Winefeast is joint fundraiser with the Boys and Girls Club of Oshkosh, which is going to be held at the City Center this year. We need volunteers for the following: marketing, securing sponsorships, help with food vendors and the wine vendors, ticket sales, silent auction, Cellar Select, set up, program ads and basic operations. If you would like more information please contact Karen Fredrick or Rick Vanderloop.

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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