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# December 6, 2006

Today: Alex Hummel, The Oshkosh Northwestern

#### WENDY'S WHEEL



Lead the Way! Rotary International's Theme

Happy Holidays! Rotary observes December as Family Month. During the holiday season we get together and celebrate with family. Family is what's really important in life. Rotary has become a part of my family. Being a part of Rotary means being part of the largest extended family in the world. Rotary is an organization of people who care. Reach out to your fellow Rotarians during this holiday season and celebrate. As Sister Sledge sang way back in the 70's – and I believe we danced to it a few meetings ago – "We are Family!"



#### **NEWS AT A GLANCE**

- Celebration of Lights is up and running! It takes 3800 hours to set up this
  magnificent event. Special thanks to Tom Stephany, Karen Fredrick, Bob Hernke,
  Connie Haschmann, Gretchen Marin, Nancy Leipzig and all the rest who helped!
- On Community Nights, one can attend the Celebration of Lights for free. Come and see the new live camels, donkeys, and sheep. Enjoy the TWO gift shops and perhaps a carriage ride.
- The Rotary Christmas Party will be held on Wednesday, December 20, NOT Dec. 14 as formerly announced. It will be at Julie Pollnow's home at 6 p.m.
- Would you like to help Oshkosh West High School students compete in a DECCA (High School Marketing) event? Directions are provided for the roles played (e.g. customer). It takes about 3 hours of time and breakfast and lunch will be provided. The event is Saturday, December 6 at Kimberly High School. Contact: Nicole Peterson.
- The H.O.P.E. Exchange Boys and Girls Club Christmas Party will be December 21 at 5:00 p.m. The Wrap Party will be Monday, December 18 at Brandi Meyer's home at 6:00 p.m. The address is 3370 Collier Ct., Oshkosh. We will be adopting approximately 35 families this year with about 75 children. Festival Foods will again provide a hot turkey dinner for each family. Bonnie and her shopper assistants will purchase the gifts on December 11 and 14. Contact: Bonnie Behnke
- The sales of the Long Road to Super Bowl Raffle Tickets provides the means by which our club can help with events such as the Exchange Christmas Party. The deadline if December 22. Go Teams! SELL! SELL! SELL! Contact: Nancy Leipzig
- The YMCA Strong Kids Campaign is beginning. Oshkosh Southwest Rotary supports this program! Because of this program 1500 adult and children were able to participate in camp activities and other programs.
- Tom Hallquist is interested in potentially resurrecting Theatre Night the last week of February. In the past, Rotary members have eaten at an Appleton restaurant then attended the play afterwards. Sweet Charity would be playing in February.
- Paula Schemmert, Downtown Rotary's exchange student from Germany, thanked Tom Sheppeck and Kate Thome for assistance in finding a new host home.
- Oshkosh West High School Rotary Club is seeking donations in club support. Donations exceeding \$50 will place your company logo on their Rotary club shirts as a club sponsor. T-shirts will be worn to many community volunteer events. Contact President Amanda Poff at 233-6148 or 203-4885.

#### **ROTARIAN OF THE WEEK**



Kat Hughes, Account Representative, Creative Management & Marketing Resources

Favorite club project: Celebration of Lights. Living close to the park, I've always marveled at this effort. Being new and clueless, I was all excited to sign up to work. But then I found out I had missed the meeting with the sign up and there was no room in the shed. Put me on the list for next year. I want in.

**Proudest achievement:** Hands down, raising three incredible boys who have morphed into responsible, caring and incredibly fun adults.

Earliest memory: Being confined outdoors to the back steps with the measles with my brother who had chicken pox. We were playing with a farm set and my brother peed into the silo. I thought it was just amazing he could do that. And the following week I had chicken pox and he had measles. Glad I wasn't my Mother.

**Nobody in my club knows:** I traveled all over the U.S., sailing competitively and have lots of silver to show for it. And I cook dinner for the North High Basketball team before their home games.

## Favorite part of every Rotary meeting:

The camaraderie before the meeting. People in this club are so wonderfully welcoming.

Three things I'd want on a deserted island: Spices, a flint and Dr. McDreamy, just in case I had some kind of medical emergency or sumthin.

If I hadn't become a Rotarian, I never would have: Had such fantastic people to have lunch with every Wednesday.

The one television show I don't usually tell people I watch is: Top Chef. I love to feed people. What more can I say?

When I tell people I'm in Rotary, they: Always say: Southwest Rotary? Oh, that's the best one.

Three foods I'd eat for the rest of my life: Pasta, Seafood, and Chocolate.



Congratulations to our long term active Southwest Rotary Members that have been with us 10 years or more as of this month!

Peter Hassler	1991
Bob Hernke	1986
Sam Muinde	1995
Doug Seefeld	1989
Tom Stephany	1996



The Guys Working (?) the Shack Celebration of Lights 2006

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**December 15** – President & President Elect Meeting with all three Oshkosh Rotary clubs. Park Plaza Hotel, 8 a.m.

**December 18** – Wrap Party, Brandi Meyer's home, 3370 Collier Ct., Oshkosh at 6 p.m.

**December 20** – Rotary Christmas Party, Julie Pollnow's home, 6 p.m.

**December 21** H.O.P.E. Center Exchange Boys & Girls Club Christmas Party 5 p.m.

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

First Publication

Catherine Cuff
Corporate Sales Manager, Holiday Inn Neenah
Proposed by Wendy Hielsberg

Classification: Banquet Sales

Glenn Nelson First Choice Insurance Agency

Proposed by: Jeff Schneider
Classification: Insurance Management

Please send information to be included in next week's copy of THE HUB by Friday to: JoAnn Konkel at konkel@uwosh.edu

#### **UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

**December 6** – Alex Hummel, The Oshkosh Northwestern

**December 13** – John Butler, H.O.P.E. Center Christmas Party

**December 20** – Oshkosh West High School Madrigals

January 3 – Jim Perry, UW Fox Valley Dean, "UW Fox Valley in Northeast Wisconsin."

**January 10 –** Dr. Erica Kroncke, Sports Medicine Physician

# INVOCATION – CLUB SERVICE

December - David Green

January - Allan Degner

February - Tom Goddard

Thanks to David for presenting the invocation this month and for all those who have volunteered this coming year. If you would like to get involved, contact Kent Mosebach. Call 235-0420 or e-mail at kmosebach@new.rr.com

#### **ROTARY GREETERS**

December 6 Karen Fredrick

Marcus Butts

December 13 Doug Seefeld

Mike Scott

December 20 Stella

Marcus Butts

December 27 Jim Putman

Tiffany Martin



Luis Yegres, our exchange student, presented last week's program on Venezuela



#### THE FOUR WAY TEST

Is it the truth?

Is it fair to all concerned?

Will it build goodwill and better friendships?

Will it be beneficial to all concerned?