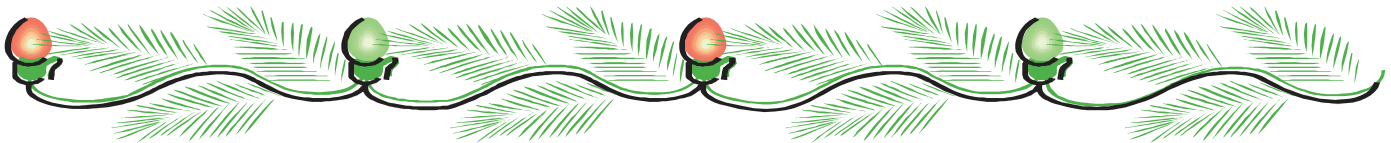


Our 2006-2007 Board:

President	Wendy Hielsberg	International Service	Tom Shepeck & Bill Thimke
President-Elect	Marcus Butts	Vocational Service	Fran Finley & Karen Fredrick
Past President	Bonnie Behnke	Community Service	Marlin Greenfield & Nancy Liepzig
Secretary	Gerald Krueger	Club Service	Glen Curran & Kate Thome
Treasurer	Doug Seefeld	Sergeant-at-Arms	John Butler
Foundation Chair	David Omachinski	District 6270 Governor	Mike Slawny
Membership Chair	John Holdorf	Rotary International President	William B. Boyd

December 20, 2006

Today: Oshkosh West High School Madrigals



'Twas the Night

Dedicated to all the Rotarians of the Week:
The Wrapping and H.O.P.E. Center Christmas Party Elves

'Twas the eve of the Wrapping, when all through the night
The elves were a-working, 'twas a magical sight!
Brandi's North Pole workshop was decked out with care,
Knowing that Santa Claus soon would be there.

Our Juniors were busy with scissors and paper,
Thoroughly enjoying this wonderful caper!
Ma Bonnie in smiles, the shopping all done,
Had settled her brain and was looking for fun!

When from the outside there arose such a clatter,
I instinctively knew 'twas more than just chatter.
The bells on the door, they all started to ring,
As Rotarians came to join in the fling!

Yellow moonbeams streamed brightly down on the sight,
And danced on the windowpanes, lighting the night.
And then, no surprise, guess who should appear,
But Wendy and cast all ready this year!

She rose high on her toes, and barked a command,
"Okay, all you elves, our work is at hand!"
And tossing her blond hair, transfixed on this game,
She whistled and shouted and called each by name:

Now Marcus! Now Bonnie!
Now Gerry! Now Doug!
Now David! Now John!
Don't give me a shrug!

On, Tom! On, Bill!
On, Fran! On, Kate!
On, Marlin! On, Karen!
Somebody's late!

On, each Rotarian!
On, Glenn and Nancy!
And where's John B?
This is his fancy!

To the toys, and the tape and the scissors you go!
Dash away, dash away, dash away all!

The corks began popping and soda was passed,
The laughter and camaraderie, oh, what a blast!
The rafters all rang with good friendship and cheer,
One couldn't deny we're a "family" so dear.

Soon boxes, and gift bags with bows were stacked high,
I gasped as the towers reached up to the sky,
The Barbies, and games, and cute little dishes,
For H.O.P.E. Center children with love and good wishes.

And just before daybreak, to the team Wendy said,
"Well done, good Rotarians, now off to bed!"
But sighing, she breathed as she drove out of sight,
"Ah, thank goodness next year, 'twill be Marcus' night!"

-To all of you from J.K.



NEWS AT A GLANCE

Nicole Peterson thanked Matt Bakalars for offering to be a judge for the DECA (H.S. marketing competition) on January 6 at Kimberly High School. Jim Sharpe is also recruiting some volunteers. Contact Nicole Peterson if you are interested in volunteering to be a part of this event.

If you are willing to serve as a new member Mentor, or if you are a new member with a red badge that has not been contacted, please contact Nicole Peterson.

The local food panty was very successful. Our PALS school (Roosevelt Elem.) collected 4,620 cans of food, which is a record. We're waiting to hear if they also took the Golden Can award for most cans collected. Thanks for your support through donations!!

The Southwest Rotary Club membership list has been updated. Lists were distributed for members to check. If individuals need to make changes, please go to the club website and make the necessary changes. In preparing for the online update of the "Interest Finder," members need to also access the club website and state in what area of service they want to serve. This helps committees contact interested volunteers in a timely manner.

On December 30, 7:30 p.m., Citizen's First Credit Union and the Oshkosh Symphony are hosting The American English Band, a Beatles Memorabilia group. They will be performing at the Fair Grounds. Tickets are \$50. if you have a Citizen's First account. Tickets are available at the credit union.

The Southwest Rotary Christmas Party is December 20, 6:30 p.m. at Julie Pollow's home. Come join the fun, food, drink and fellowship. Driving directions will be provided at the next meeting.

If you would like to write your favorite memory of Dennis Fletcher for the book that will be presented to his wife in January, please contact Bonnie Behnke.

Henrique Gargantini sends his Merry Christmas wishes to all his Oshkosh Rotary friends. (Tom Shepeck, reporting)

Marcus presented the list and introduced members of his proposed 2007-2008 Board. A general membership vote will be taken next week.

December 20 is the last day to get in Super Bowl raffle ticket sales with stub information.

Our PALS school is collecting new or gently used hats, mittens, and gloves. Please drop them by Citizen's First Credit Union, Roosevelt Elementary School, or bring to a Rotary meeting. Thanks!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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

December 20 – Rotary Christmas Party, Julie Pollow's home, 6:30 p.m.

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

January 18 – New Member Breakfast, Aurora Medical Center cafeteria, 7:30 a.m. Both new and seasoned members welcome!



Have a Happy Holiday Season!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

December 20 – Oshkosh West High School Madrigals

December 27 – Hugh Holly, Step Industries, "The Business of Hope"

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

January 10 – Dr. Erica Kroncke, Sports Medicine Physician

January 24 – Environmental Awards, Paul Fowler and Tom Weber

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

INVOCATION – CLUB SERVICE

December – David Green

January – Allan Degner

February – Tom Goddard

March – Craig Ubbelohde

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 20 Stella
Marcus Butts

December 27 Jim Putman
Tiffany Martin

January 3 Nancy Leipzig
Allan Degner

January 10 Gretchen Marin
Don Simons

PROPOSED BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2006-2007

NEW MEMBERS ONLY (Term)

President Elect: Craig Burnett (1)

Sgt.-at-Arms: Doug Seefeld (1)

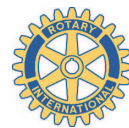
Treasurer: Kathy Hanson (2)

Vocational Service: Nicole Peterson (2)

Internat'l Service: Tom Shepeck (2)

Community Service: Amy Montgomery(2)

Club Service: JoAnn Konkel (2)



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?