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February 14

Today's Program: Richard Kalinowski, UW-Oshkosh Theatre Professor, "A Crooked Man"



Lead the Way! WineFeast 2007

WineFeast is an annual fundraising event that attracts more than 900 people to sample over 200 wines of the world and a wide selection of domestic and imported beers. People can dine on an array of foods prepared almost two dozen of the area's finest eateries. This year's event will be held on Friday, March 30th at the Sunnyview Expo Center.



Attendees have the option to upgrade to a Grapes and Grains ticket which, in addition to the general WineFeast ticket, offers a select area of tables and seating, specialty microbrews, select

foods and live entertainment. Attendees also have the option to purchase a Cellar Select ticket which offers all of the above plus a "sit-down" environment where specialty wines, food dishes and desserts are brought right to your table for your enjoyment. A primer in the art of selecting, tasting and enjoying wines of the world



is also offered by a wine expert that on hand in the Cellar Select.

In addition to the vast selections of wine, beer and food, the event also includes a silent

auction offering numerous tables filled with a wide range of items. WineFeast is open to anyone 21 years of age or older. Tickets range in price from \$45 for a WineFeast ticket, to \$75 for a Grapes and Grains ticket, to \$95 for a ticket for Cellar Select. Special package pricing and advertising are also available.



Proceeds from WineFeast benefit the Boys and Girls Club of Oshkosh and Oshkosh Southwest Rotary Club projects and programs that help meet community needs and interests. The success of Wine Feast would not be possible without the help of many volunteers and donors that contribute each year. Volunteer opportunities include serving on any of the WineFeast planning sub-committees, helping out with event setup and take-down and volunteering at the event itself. Donor opportunities include donating an event sponsorship, an auction item, or purchasing a program ad. Your participation helps our Rotary club to continue to *Lead the Way* in our community. If you would like to help through donations or volunteering, please contact Kris Villars or Duane Helwig. We'd love to help you identify the right fit between your desired level of participation and the volunteer opportunities afforded by this great event!

ROTARIAN OF THE WEEK



Meredith Scheuermann City Councilor

Favorite club project: WineFeast. You get to see so many great people and it raises a lot of money for a great cause!

Proudest achievement: Having three incredible children who are growing up to be responsible and polite.

Earliest memory: My mom was a single mother for a long time and I always had her five brothers to look out for me.

Nobody in my club knows: I always wanted to be a Dallas Cowboy Cheerleader.

Favorite part of every Rotary meeting: Saying the Four Way Test really puts things into perspective.

Three things I'd want on a deserted island: Water, a great person to be with, a juicy book.

If I hadn't become a Rotarian, I never would have: Really understood the meaning of service before self.

The one television show I don't usually tell people I watch is: What About Brian

When I tell people I'm in Rotary, they: Say, "I bet you are in the social one!"

If I had to eat three foods for the rest of my life, they would be: Pizza, chocolate chip cookies and tacos.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

February 22 – New Member "Happy Hour" at Fratello's Restaurant starting around 4:30 p.m.

February 23 – President/President-Elect meeting, Park Plaza Hotel, 8 a.m.

February 28 – Rotary Board meeting at La Sure's Banquet Hall 4:00 p.m. All members welcome to attend.

March 30 - WineFeast., Sunnyview Expo Center

WineFeast

Live or Silent Auction Items Needed! New and re-gifted items welcome through February. Contact Amy Montgomery (920) 420-6060, Nancy Leipzig, or sub-committee members Gretchen, Doug, JoAnn, Brandi or Glenn.

NEWS AT A GLANCE

Roosevelt Elementary (Our PALS school)

Kudos to those helping our PALS school with the before school interest groups. The newspaper had a great write-up of the program. Fran Finley thanks all those who have helped make this program a success: Marcus Butts, Bonnie Behnke, Vicky Beltran, David and Vernita Green, Curtis Riskey, Nancy Leipzig, Luis, Allan Degner, Barb Schlieve, Doug Seefeld and Tom Goddard. The Roosevelt kids loved the chainsaw-created Roadrunner funded by Rotary. Their thank you notes were circulated. Volunteers are still needed to present a career topic for 45 minutes during lunchtime in March and April. Please contact Fran Finley.

Junior Rotary

Please e-mail Susan Matz if you have any projects appropriate for our Junior Rotarians. Thanks to those who are helping out on Thursday mornings.

New Member Event

A new Happy Hour event for new members will take place at Fratello's on February 22 around 4:30 p.m. New and seasoned members encouraged to come! Attendance counts as a meeting makeup!

Thank You

Tim Cook thanked those involved with the Bowling FunRaiser for their efforts which benefited Clarity Care.

Exchange Student Gathering

Twenty one district exchange students will be arriving February 15 – 18. A couple of host families are still needed. A tentative schedule follows: Thursday: Pick up student(s) and feed them Friday AM: Feed students and take them to the Middle School Friday PM: YMCA activities Friday Eve: Fish fry, Columbus Club on Jackson St. All Rotarians are welcome! The meal is free.

Sat. AM: Student activity (possibly flying) Sat. PM: Bowling Sat. Eve: Hughes' Home – Movies and food Sun. AM: Feed students (in home or out)

Sun. AM: Feed students (in home or out) Contact: Tom Shepeck

WineFeast

Sponsorships are currently at \$36,000. Please contact Mike Scott if you'd like to be a sponsor. Barb Schlieve has company info regarding ad rates, Seller Select, Grapes and Grains, and how to get ads in the Northwestern. She also has created a spreadsheet to sign-up for various tickets and packages. Individuals can select what they want. A pledge form is also available. On February 15, there will be a meeting of the sub-committees at Aurora Medical Center from 4:00 -5:15 p.m. Thanks to EAA who will be involved in Seller Select. Many volunteers are needed to help with this event! Please contact Duane Helwig or Kris Villars if you'd like to get involved!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

February 14 – Richard Kalinowski, UW-Oshkosh Theatre Professor, "A Crooked Man"

February 21 – Roosevelt Elementary School students, Tribes Program demonstration.

February 28 – Inductions

NEW MEMBERS

The following are prospective members of Southwest Rotary. The first two have been approved by the Board. (Second Publication)

Wendy Thompson Real Estate Agent, Coldwell Banker the Real Estate Group Classification: Real Estate Sales Proposed by: Tom Shepeck

Lori Davis Owner of Valley Graphics, LLC Classification: Printing Proposed by: Ross Fuller

Ann Marie Klewicki Office Manager, Oshkosh Collection and Recovery Classification: Collection Agency Proposed by: Scott Klewicki (Because of recent changes in his business, Scott is going to transfer to a Fond du Lac Rotary Club)

INVOCATION – CLUB SERVICE

February – Tom Goddard

March – Craig Ubbelohde

April – Dick Ames

Thanks to Tom 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 kmosebach@new.rr.com

