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# March 7, 2007

Today's Program: Stephen Kercher, Liberal Political Humor

## **WENDY'S WHEEL**



Lead the Way! Rotary International's Theme

Rotary observes March as Literacy Month. Rotarians need to be aware that illiteracy is not a problem only of the developing world. Even in the wealthiest countries with universal education, many people are functionally illiterate. The issue is not one of intelligence but of opportunity.

Literacy has been high on Rotary's service agenda. Our club supplies the elementary schools with the Rotar Reader book bags, a birthday book for every student at Roosevelt Elementary School, and, as a PAL, we are always encouraging reading. Exposing children to books is the first step to literacy. Listen to a child read and commemorate literacy!

## **NEWS AT A GLANCE**

- WineFeast volunteers are needed. If you would like to get involved, there are many things to do. Volunteer sign-up sheets were provided on the tables. Ticket purchase sign up sheets were also provided. Live auction items are still needed. Contact Duane Helwig or Kris Villars.
- The Grapes and Grains area of WineFeast will feature improvements including tables to sit at and more personable service. There will be a fondue fantasy, the Uptown Band and wines and beers of higher quality than the general area.
- The Downtown Rotary club and Oshkosh Symphony are hosting Irish Fest on Saturday, March 17 at Reeve Memorial Union on the UW Oshkosh campus. There will be beer and cheese tasting beginning at 6 p.m. (Room 202). At 7 p.m. there will be an Irish-inspired dinner, cash bar, raffle and auction (Ballroom). The event will also feature live music by The Kells, an Irish rock band. Tickets are \$50. Corporate tables of 8 are \$450. Tickets are available at the Oshkosh Symphony office: 233-7510.
- The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Berlin Boys and Girls Club Arbor Day Tree Sale was announced by Paul Fowler. Information sheets were provided. Trees are \$4.00 and up.
- The hospital project in Kenya is reaching completion according to Sam Muinde, who showed a slide show of the project. On behalf of Southwest Rotary, Tom Shepeck presented Sam with \$3,000. to assist with the completion of this project.

### **ROTARIAN OF THE WEEK**



Duane Helwig, Architect

**Favorite club project:** I love working with WineFeast. It's a great example of how a great number of people can work together to accomplish great things!

**Proudest achievement:** Watching my 3 children grow up and mature into wonderful people.

**Earliest memory:** I was two and a half, watching my Dad take off on a snowmobile one night. I felt I was missing out on some fun so I tried to follow him on my tricycle. Needles to say I didn't get very far!

**Nobody in my club knows:** I love to ride motorcycles – I just don't have one right now.

Favorite part of every Rotary meeting: I enjoy listening to the thought-provoking invocations that are prepared for us each week.

Three things I'd want on a deserted island: A companion and an endless supply of books and wine.

If I hadn't become a Rotarian, I never would have: Met so many wonderful people that I can see on a weekly basis who are committed to making the world a better place.

The one television show I don't usually tell people I watch is: Dog the Bounty Hunter.

If I had to eat three foods for the rest of my life, they would be: Pizza, chocolate and peanut butter (it would probably be a shortened life with a diet like that)!



#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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

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

March 30 – WineFeast at Sunnyview Expo.

March 30 - Rotary President/President-Elect meeting at Park Plaza Hotel, 8:00 a.m..



Stephanie Begley Oshkosh West High School

Stephanie is Southwest Rotary Club's newly approved outbound exchange student who will be going to Peru.

## **UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

March 7 – Stephen Kercher, Liberal Political Humor

March 14 – Keith Echelmeyer, Professor, University of Alaska Fairbanks, "Global Warming."

March 21 - Scott Greuel - The OSHPD

March 28 – John Walsh, Sheldon Nature Center

April 4 - Paul Harris Fellows

#### PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

The following is a prospective member of Southwest Rotary. (Second Publication)

Joan Stout G. Earl Real Estate, Inc. Classification: Commercial Real Estate Sales Proposed by: Eileen Connolly-Keesler

Please send information to be included in next week's copy of THE HUB by Friday to: JoAnn Konkel at jokonkel@aol.com

#### **INVOCATION - CLUB SERVICE**

March - Craig Ubbelohde

April - Dick Ames

May - Open

Thanks to Craig 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

## **ROTARY GREETERS**

March 7 – Amy Montgomery JoAnn Konkel

March 14 - Bob Beckstrom John Schuster Mike Scott

March 21 – Glenn Nelson Jeff Schneider

March 28 – Stella Kat Hughes



The following have been members of Southwest Rotary for ten years or more as of this month!

> Richard Ames 03/01/73 (One of the original club members!) Karen Fredrick 03/01/95 David Geurden 03/01/80 Michael Stratz 01/01/90 Tomas Weber 03/01/88



#### 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?