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**March 14, 2007**

**Today's Program: Keith Echelmeyer, Professor, University of Alaska Fairbanks, "Global Warming"**



**Lead the Way!**



**Oshkosh Southwest Rotary Wins the  
Winnebago County Literacy Council's Corporate Spelling Bee!**

Congratulation to our Rotary members Kate Thome and Barb Herzog, who, along with substitute Rhonda Gustafson, recently won the 2007 Winnebago County Literacy Council's Corporate Spelling Bee! According to Kate, Rhonda was literally pulled from Festival Foods to help when Glenn Curran was out with the flu and Ken Friedman had just been discharged from the hospital.



Sponsored by ThedaCare Physicians of Oshkosh, this is the sixth year that this event has occurred. Companies throughout Winnebago County participated by paying \$500. to sponsor a three-person team. This year, Corporate Teams included Aurora Health Care, Affinity Health System, The Appleton Post-Crescent, 4-Imprint, The Oshkosh Northwestern, Oshkosh Public Library, Citizens First Credit Union, and both Oshkosh Southwest and Downtown Rotary clubs. For the past four years, the Appleton Post-Crescent has been the undefeated champion.

That changed when the Southwest Rotary Team won the competition by correctly spelling "cedilla." The word is a noun that refers to the mark (,) placed under certain letters in various languages to indicate pronunciation. Prior to being challenged with spelling "cedilla," the team was able to accurately spell words like, "frondescence," "kipfel," "viscera," "parterre," and "zazen."



Proceeds from this event, which included a silent auction, will benefit adult and family literacy programming. Over \$11,000. was raised at the 2007 event which also included a separate Middle School Spelling Bee. This year, Webster Stanley Middle School emerged as the winner over South Park Middle School, St. John Neumann, Alps Charter School and Merrill Middle School. Barb Herzog, Ph.D., served as one of the judges in this event.

Free chocolate samplings were provided by Lara's Tortilla Flats, Starbucks, The Oshkosh Shoppe and Fox Valley Cheesecake Company. To find out when the Bee will be replayed, access the OCAT website at <http://www.ocatonline.com>.

## ROTARIAN OF THE WEEK



**Mike Scott CLU, CFP**  
W.F. Coe & Associates, LLC

**Favorite club project:** WineFeast – It's the best of all worlds: Entertaining, educational, and where else does anyone raise that much money in one night to support two great causes!

**Proudest achievement:** Marrying my wonderful wife, Lisa, and having 2 adorable children! Business: Earning my CFP (Certified Financial Planner) – 10 hour exams are not fun!

**Earliest memory:** Playing in the trenches around my parents' house while they were having major remodeling done.

**Nobody in my club knows:** Years ago I won a limbo contest on Bourbon Street.

**Favorite part of every Rotary meeting:** The sense of humor our members routinely display during announcements!

**Three things I'd want on a deserted island:** Helicopter, gas, & a pilot

**If I hadn't become a Rotarian, I never would have:** Met so many community minded & thoughtful people.

**The one television show I don't usually tell people I watch is:** reDesign with Kenneth Brown!

**When I tell people I'm in Rotary, they:** Usually say, "Man, what aren't you in!"

**If I had to eat three foods for the rest of my life, they would be:** Alaskan King Crab legs, Leon's, West End Pizza.

## INVOCATION – CLUB SERVICE

**March** – Craig Ubbelohde

**April** – Dick Ames

**May** - Open

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

## NEWS AT A GLANCE

### WineFeast

The Grapes and Grains area is all set. There are still opportunities for Corporate tables at \$600. (Eight persons/table). The price includes a ¼ page advertisement.

Thanks to Holiday Inn in Neenah for their sponsorship in this area, and also to Festival Foods for their help with the chocolate fondue.

Items are still needed for the Live Auction, especially larger items like condos, trips, etc. Contact Brandi Meyer.

There are still opportunities for increased program advertisement. Ads can be in PDF format and sent directly to the Oshkosh Northwestern. Ads can be ¼, ½ or full page in size. Contact Glenn Curran or Barb Schlieve.

Volunteers are needed for this event. Sign-up sheets are available at the meetings or will be sent out via e-mail. We need people willing to set-up, serve as greeters, handle tickets, etc. Contact Jeff Schneider.

There are still tables available in the Cellar Select area.

### Soy Cow Project

Bill Thimke will be going to Lima, Peru on May 12 for six days to install the third soy cow. Anyone may come and enjoy the trip while the work is being done.

### Irish Fest

Downtown Rotary and the Oshkosh Symphony are hosting Irish Fest on Saturday, March 17 at Reeve Union on the UW-Oshkosh campus. Beer and cheese tasting will begin at 6 p.m. (Room 202). At 7 p.m. an Irish-type of dinner, cash bar, raffle and auction will be held in the Ballroom. The event will feature live music by The Kells, an Irish rock band. Tickets are \$50. Corporate tables of eight are \$450. Tickets are available at the Oshkosh Symphony office: 233-7510.

### Irish Fest Raffle Tickets

Downtown Rotary is selling raffle tickets for a trip for two to Ireland. Proceeds go towards support of the Soy Cow Project. This includes two round trip airfares out of Chicago and 7 days/nights stay in a castle about an hour from Dublin. Price: \$10. per raffle ticket. Only 550 tickets will be sold. Contact Lori Renning at rangerlahuber@aol.com or (920) 232-3639.

## ROTARY GREETERS

**March 14:** B. Beckstrom, J. Schuster, M. Scott

**March 21:** G. Nelson, J. Schneider

**March 28:** Stella, K. Hughes

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**March 30** – WineFeast., Sunnyview Expo Center

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

**June 27** – Changing of the Guard dinner, Best Western Bridgewood Resort and Hotel, Neenah. Details to follow.

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

**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

**April 11** – Bill Wresch, "The Tragic Founding of New Orleans"

## NEW MEMBERS

The following are prospective members of Southwest Rotary.

### First Publication

Laura LeRoy (Board approved)  
Operations Officer, UW Oshkosh Credit Union  
Classification: Credit Union Operations  
Proposed by: Scott Chicoine

Julie Fevoia (not yet Board approved)  
Exec. Director,  
Christine Ann Domestic Abuse Services  
Classification: Domestic Abuse Svcs. Director  
Proposed by: Craig Burnett

### Second Publication

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



## 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?**