



Today's Speaker Gordon Hintz State Assembly Representative

News & Notes

News from last week:

- Marcus complimented coverwoman Eileen Connolly-Keesler for both the cover photo and lengthy article in the recent Woman Magazine
- Want to know the "nuts and bolts" of Rotary in just a few short pages? If you missed it, the August *Rotarian* magazine has a nice article on summarizing the world of Rotary. It's a great learning opportunity for new Rotarians. If you're not receiving the *Rotarian* magazine in the mail, contact Jerry Krueger.
- Bill Thimke let us know that the next soy cow ships to Peru next week.
- Tom Shepeck filled us in on arriving exchange students.
 Only 10 of our Rotary district's students have arrived as of last week due to catch-22 style problems with U.S.
 Immigration. Our student from India -- is also caught in that situation, but should be here next week, and will move in with Laura LeRoy and her family.
- Nicole Allie reminded our Dragon Boat team that the onthe-water practice is Saturday, Sept. 8 at Noon on the Fox

River at the UWO Aquatic Center just behind Kolf. The organizers want at least 16 of our team there – let's shoot for everyone – a little practice is good for the paddler.

Nicole also reminded the Dragon Boat team to keep up working on getting pledges both to repay the club's prepayment of the team's registration and to generate a donation to the event's charities, UWO, the Grand and the YMCA.

Meeting Make-Up

It's fair to say that each of us has to miss our Wednesday meeting on occasion. The good news is that you are welcome to visit any Rotary club, *anywhere in the world* and it'll count just as though you were with us in Oshkosh.

To find club locations and meeting dates and times for clubs near and far, just stop by Rotary International's online *Club Locator* at <u>www.rotary.org/support/clubs/</u>

Online Make-Up

You can even make-up a meeting via the Web. There are several of these online clubs. Follow the link at the upper left of the club locator Web page above entitled "Visit an E-Club" to learn more.

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Calendar of Events

Upcoming Programs

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Sep. 12	United Way Kickoff at Seniors' Center
Sep. 19	Jennifer Semrau Preventing Unused Medication from Contaminating our Waterways
Sep. 26	District Governor Ted Gurzynski

Foundations & Rotary

Last week's presentation by Dave Omachinski and Eileen Connolly-Keesler brought us an overview our club's own foundation and touched on the Rotary International Foundation.

Southwest Rotary Fund

In 2000, our club started a fund at the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation using the Community Foundation's *Acorn Fund*model – we were the first such fund. Including the match by the Community Foundation and the initial member contributions, our fund started at \$10,000. As of June 30 this year, the fund has reached a balance of \$62,600.

The fund has several goals:

- To accumulate funds so that the club can support significant projects
- To provide a backup in the event that a budgeted club fundraiser had a substantial shortfall; something that could happen with as simple an occurrence as a severe weather event on the night of WineFeast, for instance.

He Said / She Said

You see things; and you say, 'Why?'

But I dream things that never were; and I say, "Why not?

George Bernard Shaw Back To Methuselah In the unlikely event that Southwest Rotary ceased to exist, our fund could continue to provide for good works in our name for years after our "passing."

There are currently 50 Southwest Rotarians donating \$2.00 per week to the fund through quarterly billings by the club treasurer. It's a simple and painless process to become a donor of you're not already participating; there's a simple form to fill out that you can get from Dave Omachinski or our Treasurer, Kathy Hanson

R. I. Foundation

Created in 1917, the Rotary International Foundation is one of the largest charitable foundations in the world, with giving in the 2005-06 fiscal year of \$91.1 million.

Donating to the R.I. Foundation is as easy as donating to the club's own fund. Many Rotarians donate the equivalent of \$2.00 per week through quarterly billing. This donation also counts toward the Paul Harris Fellowship and places the donor in our weekly prize drawing.

Weekly Invocations

Upcoming Invocations:

September	
October	
November	
December	

Craig Burnett Ken Friedman Mike Stratz Victoria Beltran

Weekly Greeters

Sep 5 Wendy Hielsberg Bonnie Behnke

- Sep 19 Don Simons Mike Stratz
- Sep 26 Kent Mosebach Bryan Hochstein

New Member Proposals

The following individuals have been approved by the club Board of Directors:

Aaron Charlty (second publication) Elite Physical Fitness Classification: Physical Therapy Proposed by: Brandi Meyer

Russ Van Zeeland (first pub.) V.P. Comm. Banking / Anchor Bank Classification: Commercial Banking

The Hub – Info Please!

If you have club business you'd like to have hightlighted in the Hub, please get it to Craig Burnett.

Don't forget – the Hub needs your pictures too!

To make it easier to get the information to the Hub editor, we're created a new email address just for Hub material:

hub@oshkoshrotarysouthwest.org



The Four Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

- 1. Is it the truth?
- 2. Is it fair to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
- 4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?