



Today Exchange Student Serene

Rotary News & Notes

News from last week:

- The food drive for our PAL, Roosevelt Elementary is up to 3912 cans.
- Don't forget the Wrap Party at the Hope Center Christmas Party. It'll be at Scott Woldt's house on 12/17 at 6:00 PM. Directions are on the club Web site.
- Speaking of parties, the club Christmas party is *today!* Meet at Gail & Dennis Schwab's house at 6:00 PM. Directions to this are also on the club Web site.

Other News and Notes

- The marketing students of Oshkosh West need DECA judges. On Sat., 1/5, you would play the role of manager or customer of a company interacting with high scool students. Breakfast and lunch will be served. See Nicole Allie for more information.
- Wisconsin Interfaith Needs Response (WINR) is looking for automobile donations. See Tom Hallquist for more info. Ed note: I've donated a car to WINR – it's fast, easy, efficient and benefits a good cause.
- Paul Fowler announced a gun safety training which will be

offered in March and April. See Paul for more information.

Hope Center Christmas Party Update

John Butler gave us his annual update about the Hope Center Christmas Party at the Boys & Girls Club.

- This year, we will serve 40 families, including 75 children. Four of the familes are homeless.
- Carters continues to donate clothing, McDonald's again is donating the food for the party, and Festival Foods is again providing each family with a Christmas meal of a turkey with dressing, gravy, a pie, cranberry sauce, etc.
- Volunteer for the party just come to the Boys & Girls Club at 5:30 on Dec. 19 and join the Jr. Rotarians in helping to make this important event a success.
- John gave special thanks to Matt Bakalars, who last hear hosted a Christmas party that gathered \$800 in give cards that he gave to us to use toward this cause.
- John also welcomed donations from club members to go toward the cost of the party.

2007 - 2008 Board

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Calendar of Events

Upcoming Programs

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| Dec. 12 | Our exchange student Serene | |
| Dec. 19 | Oshkosh North Madrigal Singers | |
| Dec. 26 | Round table | |
| Jan. 2 | Kristy Bradish Winnebago Conflict Resolution Center | |
| Jan. 9 | Drummers from Maui | |
| Recurring Events | | |
| 4 th Tue | Club Board Meeting 11:30 – 1:00, Delta Restaurant | |
| Other Rotary Events | | |
| Dec. 12 | Club Christmas Party 6:00 PM, at the home of Gail & Dennis Schwab | |
| Dec. 17 | Wrap Party for 12/20 party – 346 Overland Trail | |
| Dec. 19 | Hope Center Christmas Party, 5:00 PM | |
| Jan. 17 | Bowling FunRaiser | |
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Holiday Season Babies!

Give the following Rotarians birthday wishes – all have birthdays in December:

Vicky Redlin Eileen Connolly-Kessler Jay Merrill Joan Stout Ross Fuller Kent Mosebach Victoria Beltran Scott Greuel Craig Burnett Tom Weber

Rotary Trivia Answers

Answers to last week's trivia questions:

1. The original name of the official RI magazine was *The National Rotarian*

2. The second Rotary club formed in San Francisco

3. The only one-word theme in RI history was "Participate!"

Source: January 2005 *Rotarian Magazine*.

He Said / She Said

"Kindness and compassion are among the principal things that make our lives meaningful. They are a source of lasting happiness and joy. They are the foundation of a good heart, the heart of one who acts out of a desire to help others. Through kindness, and thus through affection, honesty, truth and justice toward everyone else, we ensure our own benefit."

Tenzin Gyatso, the Dalai Lama preface to *The Power of Kindness* Piero Ferrucci

Proposed New Board Members

The following Southwest Rotarians are proposed for Club Board of Directors positions to start on July 1, 2008. Term length in years is shown in parentheses. Voting will be at the regular Club meeting on December 19.

| Pres. Elect: | Nancy Leipzig (1) |
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| Secretary: | Gerald Krueger (2) |
| Sgt. at Arms: | Roy Duxstad (1) |
| Club Service: | Ken Friedman (2) |
| Comm. Svc.: | Michael Scott (2) |
| Internat. Svc.: | Laura LeRoy (2) |
| Voc. Svc.: | Glenn Nelson (2) |

District Conference – Save the Date

Our District (6270) Conference will be held May 16-18 in Lake Geneva. Good speakers and topics are on the slate this year, including:

- George McGovern, former U.S. Senator & UN Ambassador – "World Hunger"
- o U.S. Navy Vice Admiral Ann Rondeau – "Peacekeeping"
- NASA Engineer Evan Thomas

 "Rotary's Role in Successful Overseas Projects.

If the speakers and topics aren't enough motivation for you, the event will be hosted at the Grand Geneva Resort, and will include a golf outing at the Highlands.

While we're on the subject of the Grand Geneva Resort, there's a Southwest Rotary trivia connection – John Lorfeld used to work there when it was still a Playboy Club. He claims that his job was to take care of the horses.

Weekly Invocations

Upcoming Invocations:

| December | Victoria Beltran |
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| January | Kate Thome |
| February | David Green |
| March | Tom Goddard |

Weekly Greeters

Dec 12 Scott Greuel Jason Scharrer

Dec 19 Allen Degner Susan Matz

The Hub – Info Please!

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

hub@oshkoshrotarysouthwest.org

The Hub Wants Your Rotary Pictures!

Have you taken pictures of recent Rotary events? The Hub wants to publish them. See Craig Burnett to work out the most efficient way to transfer your digital pictures to him.

Thanks!

Thanks go to Nicole Allie for taking great notes last week while the Hub scribe was away.



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?