

The Hub of Oshkosh Southwest Rotary

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Today

Oshkosh North Madrigal Singers

Rotary News & Notes

News from last week:

- Marcus reported that Bonnie and her shopping elves were their usual efficient selves buying gifts for 75 children for the Hope Center Christmas Party. Thanks Bonnie & all your elves.
- Brian Hochstein is again seeking weekly greeters for the next few months. Sign-up on your tables, or see Brian. It's an "easy gig" and you get a chance to meet members you don't yet know.
- The Bowling FunRaiser committee reminds us that the event is January 17 at the Electric Lounge (formerly Eagles Club) lanes. This has become a big fundraiser for us, so work to recruit people to bowl. Every pin each bowler misses is another dollar for our causes.
- Thanks go to Randy Schmiedel for providing each and every Southwest Rotarian with a gift of cheese at last week's meeting.

Hope Center

Christmas Party

The party is *tonight* at the Boys and Girls Club. John Butler asked that volunteers arrive about 5:30 for the 6:00 start of the party. Expect to be done by 8:00. While we're on the subject, thanks go to John B. for the many years of caring work on this project.

South Africa & Micro-Loans

Our recent speakers Adam and Christine Jeske wanted to thank the Club for the opportunity to speak. If you would like more information, email them at acjeske@gmail.com or go to www.jeskelife.org.

Make-Up Information

With so much going on this time of year, it's easy to miss a meeting or two on Wednesday noon. You can make up at our city's sister clubs:

- Oshkosh Rotary:
Monday Noon – Park Plaza
- Oshkosh Morning Rotary:
Friday, 7:00 AM – Park Plaza

If you're traveling outside of our fair city, you can always attend a make-up wherever you go. There are clubs in some very interesting places. See the link to the "Club Locator" at the top right of RI's Web: www.rotary.org

2007 – 2008 Board

President:	Marcus Butts
Pres. Elect:	Craig Burnett
Past Pres.:	Wendy Hielsberg
Secretary:	Gerald Krueger
Treasurer:	Kathy Hanson
Foundation:	David Omachinski
Membership:	John Holdorf
Sgt-at-Arms:	Doug Seefeld

Club Service Chairs

Kate Thome & JoAnn Konkel

Community Service Chairs

Nancy Leipzig & Amy Montgomery

International Service Chairs

Bill Thimke & Tom Shepeck

Vocational Service Chairs

Karen Fredrick & Nicole Allie

Dist. 6270

Dist. Gov.: Ted Gurzynski
Zone-B A.D.G.: James Chitwood

R.I. President: Wilfrid J. Wilkinson

Calendar of Events

Upcoming Programs

Dec. 26	Round table
Jan. 2	Kristy Bradish Winnebago Conflict Resolution Center
Jan. 9	Drummers from Maui
Jan. 16	Inductions & Classification Talks
Jan. 23	Environmental Awards

Recurring Events

4 th Tue	Club Board Meeting 11:30 – 1:00, Delta Restaurant
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Other Rotary Events

Dec. 19	Hope Center Christmas Party, 6:00 PM – Boys & Girls Club
Jan. 17	Bowling FunRaiser

President's Minute



Gil love this time of year, our homes are decorated with care, our cities, and towns come alive with colorful

lights, wreaths, and holiday decorations and such, the hustle and bustle of the shoppers trying to find that perfect gift, and the twinkle in a child's eye as they wait for the arrival of Santa on Christmas morning.

It's Christmas time...a time where everyone is usually in a great mood, happy and full of the Christmas Spirit. A time for giving, sharing, and a time to think about why we get to celebrate this joyous occasion. I think some of us seem to think more about the jolly fat man than the little baby who was born on Christmas day.

Don't get me wrong, it is wonderful to be able to share with others by exchanging gifts and sharing in , food, fellowship, song and the fun of creating memories, but it is also important to remember why we are

He Said / She Said

"Humor is the great thing, the saving thing. The minute it crops up, all our irritations and resentments slip away and a sunny spirit takes their place."

Mark Twain

doing this, we are celebrating the birth of Jesus. So let's enjoy this wonderful time with family holiday traditions and special gatherings which give us a chance to share the real joy of Christmas.

We can not also forget why we are Rotarians and the reason we are in Rotary, to share our time and talents so we can give back and help some of those, less fortunate and that might not be able to help themselves as well. This is important during this time of year; more people are more apt to give during Christmas time than any other time of year.

So, let us all go forth and enjoy this time of the year and share the spirit of Christmas with everyone we come in contact with. I wish you and your family a very safe and joyous Christmas and a wonderful prosperous New Year!! Peace.

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)
- 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)

Weekly Invocations

Upcoming Invocations:

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

Weekly Greeters

Dec 19 Allen Degner
Susan Matz

The Hub – Info Please!

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

hub@oshkoshrotarysouthwest.org

New Member Proposal

The following individual has been approved by the club Board of Directors:

Tracey Jenks (1st publication)
Classification: Big Brothers / Sisters Exec. Dir
Proposed by: Marcus Butts



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?