

The Hub of Oshkosh Southwest Rotary



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Topic: *Bette Lang - Oshkosh Area School District*

Announcements:

This week wraps up our Membership Drive Month. Thanks to everyone who worked on the membership drive! Vicki Redlin has guest lunch passes still available. Next month, a drawing will take place for those members who made use of the guest cards and brought a friend to Rotary. On the tables are copies of our membership directory – please check your name and ensure that the information is current (and make changes if necessary). Finally, we will have a booth at the Business Expo on Thursday – we are at booth #411 and still could use some help manning the booth.

Bryan Hockstein passed around a sign up sheet for greeters – please consider being a greeter and help make our Rotary meetings warm and welcoming for members and guests.

Jim Staple extended a “thank you” on behalf of his family for the wonderful plant, cards, and prayers from Southwest Rotarians following the death of his father.

Nicole Allie has developed a spreadsheet for Winefeast Program ads – please check the spreadsheet regarding your ad. Cellar Select and Winefeast tickets will be available starting next week and

account. Finally, Winefeast posters are done and ready for you to take along at post at your business.

Nicole Allie and Wendy Heilsberg are interested getting an early bird registration discount for the 2009 District Conference in April. Those Rotarians who are not on the 2010 conference planning committee and will attend the 2009 conference should get in touch with either Nicole or Wendy. The early bird deadline is Friday.

Julie Fevola shared information about the “Help for Homeless” campaign to collect personal hygiene products for people residing in local shelters. Flyers are out on the tables with more information and drop off locations.

Tom Shepeck announced that we are already working on arrangements for our next incoming exchange student. He has started the search for host families. Also, we are hosting the youth exchange weekend and need families to host students from March 18 – 22.

Proposed President-elect Nominee

The President-elect committee has announced their selection for President-elect Nominee: Kris Villars. Kris’s nomination will go to a vote of the club member on March 11th.

2007 – 2008 Board

President: Craig Burnett
Pres. Elect: Nancy Leipzig
Past Pres.: Marcus Butts
Secretary: Gerald Krueger
Treasurer: Kathy Hanson
Membership: Vicki Redlin
Sgt-at-Arms: Roy Duxstad

Club Service Chairs

Jo Ann Bloom & Ken Friedman

Community Service Chairs

Amy Montgomery & Mike Scott

International Service Chairs

Tom Shepeck & Laura LeRoy

Vocational Service Chairs

Nicole Allie & Glenn Nelson

Dist. 6270

Dist. Gov.: Tamie Koop
Zone-B A.D.G.: James Chitwood

R.I. President: Dong-Kum Lee

Calendar of Events

Upcoming Programs

Mar 11 Mark Rohloff, City Manager
Mar 18 Paul Harris Fellows
Mar 25 Dr. Joel Cler and Dr. Ilan Shapiro – Computer-assisted Knee Replacement
April 1 Avenues of Service: Community Service and Vocational Service

Recurring Events

3rd Mon. Club Board Meeting
4:00 – 5:30, Robbins

Other Rotary Events

Mar 28 Winefeast, Sunnyview Expo Center
April 24-26 Rotary District Conference, Osthoff Resort
May 20 Annual Roosevelt School Cookout (with Tom Pease)

Rotary International Celebrates 104th Birthday!

This past week, RI celebrated 104 years of service to communities and the world. A number of iconic landmarks, including the British Parliament, the Colosseum, and the Sydney Opera House, provided a dramatic backdrop for an equally dramatic message: End Polio Now.



Those three words -- Rotary's pledge to rid the world of the crippling childhood disease -- were projected onto each structure's exterior the week of 23 February, the organization's 104th anniversary.



"By illuminating these historic landmarks with our pledge to end polio, Rotary clubs are announcing to the world that we will not stop until the goal is achieved," says Jonathan Majiyagbe, Rotary Foundation trustee chair. "We hope people everywhere will see these words, either in person or through the media, and join with us and our

partners in this historic effort to rid the world of polio once and for all."



The illuminated displays are just one highlight of an already historic year in Rotary's 20-year effort to eradicate polio, which has helped reduce cases of the disease by more than 99 percent. In January, Rotary received a [US\\$255 million grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, announced during the 2009 International Assembly](#), on top of the \$100 million Gates Foundation grant it received in November 2007. In response to the grants, Rotary has committed to raising \$200 million in matching funds over the next three years. All \$555 million will be spent in support of eradication activities.

In addition to the projected images, Rotary clubs worldwide have planned a variety of polio awareness and fundraising activities around Rotary's anniversary.

- [Purple Pinkie Week](#) Rotary club members in District 1240 (England) will solicit donations for the polio eradication effort and mark each donor's pinkie finger with a spot of purple dye. (That's how volunteers and health workers in developing countries record that a child has received the oral polio vaccine.)

- Rotary clubs working with Singapore's postal service have arranged for the release of official postage stamps with messages about polio eradication and other causes championed by Rotary.
- In a hands-on show of Rotary's commitment to end polio, a team of 12 Korean Rotarians, accompanied by Korean journalists, will travel to India the week of 23 February to help immunize thousands of children.

Weekly Invocations

March Bonnie Behnke
 April Vicki Beltran

Weekly Greeters

To be Announced...but you know who you are! ☺

The Hub – Info Please!
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The District Website
<http://rotary6270.org>

Visit RI's Website
<http://www.rotary.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?