# The Hub of Oshkosh Southwest Rotary



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## Topic: Juliette Sterkens: Audiologist, Fox Valley Hearing Loop

### Rotary News & Notes Announcements

#### **Dictionaries**

As part of our continuing support of Roosevelt Elementary School through the PAL's program, our club donated (and personalized) dozens of new dictionaries for the students to use in the new school year. Thanks to everyone who took the time to write some words of encouragement inside those books! Also, remember that our support for those students runs the entire school year. If you'd like to help volunteer to make a difference in the life of a student see Marcus Butts. Volunteers are needed to do everything from mentoring to reading stories.

#### **Dragon Boats**

The Southwest Strokers are getting ready to defend their title of best team name at the annual Dragon Boat Race and Festival on Saturday, September 16. If you're interested in having a great time on the Fox River see Nicole Peterson to sign up to paddle. Otherwise, come cheer the Southwest Strokers on to victory. Dragon Boat races are held on the Fox River, but the

fun takes place all day long in Riverside Park and the adjacent Leach Amphitheater.

#### **Back from Peru**

Bill Thimke just returned from Peru with great news on the Soy Cow project. Not only did he share a photo of a new vehicle purchased to take the soy milk around (dubbed the Soy Van and painted to look like a Holstein Cow), he also unveiled plans for a new building to house the entire soy cow operation. It the first of its kind in South America and will be used strictly for the sow cows in place because of the generosity and hard work of our club. The facility will house all storage, production, refrigeration and office operations. While the exact date of its opening is not known, we've been assured it will be ready by the end of the year... just not sure which year. Still, make plans now to attend the grand opening of this great new facility. See Bill Thimke for more details!

On a related topic, Bill also said the club has embarked on a new initiative to help a small village in Peru – the eradication of head lice in grade schools.

#### 2009 - 2010 Board

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#### Calendar of Events

#### **Upcoming Programs**

Sept. 16 Juliette Sterkens, audiologist , Fox Valley Hearing Loop

Sept. 23 Craig Ubbelohde: "The Green House Model for Skilled Nursing Care"

Sept. 30 Michael Briley, UWO Professor of Astronomy

#### **Recurring Events**

September Club Board Meeting 28 4:00 – 5:30, Robbins

#### **Other Rotary Events**

Sept. Dragon Boat Races 25 & 26

Oct. 22 Bowling "Fun" Raiser

#### **Exchange Program Update**

Tom Shepeck updated the club on the status of our International student. Exchange Visa problems are still causing a delay, mostly due to the US Embassy in Peru. Contact has been made with the offices of Congressman Tom Petri and Senator Herb Kohl and we've been assured they are working on solving the problems. Still, we're hopeful we can get our student into Oshkosh soon. Also, Tom reported that we will have a student coming to Oshkosh in January from South Africa. And, letters will be going out soon to outbound recruit exchange students. If you know someone who wants to have the experience of their life, talk to Tom for more details.

ARC – Winnebago County



Kitz. Thank Lea you to Executive Director of Arc-Winnebago County Disability Association, Inc. for last week's presentation. Mark calendars for "Artists for Arc" a fundraiser for their programs on Saturday, October 2 at Center Court, 1 City Center downtown Oshkosh. The event features dinner and the "best darn live art auction of 2009."

For tickets or information, call (920) 236-9230 or visit: www.arcwinnebago.com.

#### **Rememberence Night**

A few weeks ago Southwest Rotarians met at Fratello's to remember club members no loner with us. Here are some photos from the event. Thanks to everyone who attended!







#### Weekly Invocations

September - Bonnie Behnke October - Lorraine Yarbrough November - Dick Ames

#### Weekly Greeters

Sept. 16 Brad Baumann & Bryan Hochstein

Sept. 23 Chet Wesenberg & Deb Lederhaus

Sept. 30 Jeff Potts & Steve Seidl

Oct. 7 Wendy Hielsberg & Gretchen Marin

The Hub – Info Please! <a href="https://hub@oshkoshrotarysouthwest.org">hub@oshkoshrotarysouthwest.org</a>

The District Website <a href="http://rotary6270.org">http://rotary6270.org</a>

Visit RI's Website <a href="http://www.rotary.org">http://www.rotary.org</a>

Visit the 2010 District Conference Website <a href="http://www.catchtherotaryball.org">http://www.catchtherotaryball.org</a>



### The Four Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

- 5. Is it the truth?
- 6. Is it fair to all concerned?
- 7. Will it build good will and better friendships?
- 8. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?