# The Hub of Oshkosh Southwest Rotary



## Topic: "ROB KLEMAN: Oshkosh Area Economic Development Corp."

# Rotary News & Notes Announcements:

#### **EAA (Next Week)**

Mark your calendars for July 27<sup>th</sup> as Rotarians from around the world converge on the EAA grounds for the annual Flying Rotarian Brat Fry and Corn Roast at the EAA Nature Center. This event will replace our normally scheduled meeting (although a roundtable will still be held at Robbins). Volunteers are needed to help grill and serve food. Burt Rutan will be the featured speaker. carpool/caravan will leave the offices of Duxstad & Fletcher Wealth Planning at 11:45 a.m. (1918 S. Washburn Street).

#### **Waterfest August 11**

Our club will once again be working the concession stands at the Leach Amphitheater for a Waterfest date this summer. Mark your calendars for Thursday, August 11 and help raise some money for our club. Sign up sheets will be passed around in the coming weeks. Big Head Todd and the Monsters are the headlining act for this installment of Waterfest.

#### Mayor's Breakfast

Volunteers are needed on Friday, July 29<sup>th</sup> for the annual Mayor's Breakfast at the Leach Amphitheater. Breakfast will be served from 6 to 10 a.m. The Oshkosh Morning Rotary Club will aslo meet (if you need a make-up meeting). For more information contact Rick Vanderloop.

#### **Exchange Students**

Our club President took two Exchange students on a fishing trip:





#### 2011-2012 Board

President: Glenn Curran Pres. Elect: Mike Scott Past Pres.: Kris Villars Gerald Krueger Secretary: Treasurer: Kathy Hanson Foundation: David Omachinski Membership: Vicki Redlin Sgt-at-Arms: Dick Ames

Club Service Chairs
Lorraine Yarborough & Emily
Dunham

Community Service Chairs
Todd Reuss & Lori Davis

International Service Chairs
Tom Kloeckner & Cecil Streeter

New Generations
Nicole Peterson & Melody Wollangk

Vocational Service Chairs
Bonnie Behnke & Colleen Merrill

Dist. 6270
Dist. Gov.: Nancy Rhodes
Zone-B A.D.G.: Karen Fredrick

R.I. President: Kalyan Banerjee

#### Calendar of Events

**Upcoming Programs** 

July 27 EAA

**Recurring Events** 

2rd Mon. Club Board Meeting (Aug. 8) 4:00 – 5:30, Robbins

**Other Rotary Events** 

July 27 EAA Picnic

Aug. 11 Waterfest

#### **District 6270 Governor**

Welcome to all the presidents beginning their terms as I am on July 1, 2011. We are embarking on an exciting new Rotary year. It is truly an honor and privileged to serve as the District Governor for 6270. I have steep steps to follow from the previous District Governors, and will do all I can to guide the district in the next Rotary year.

Kaylan Banerjee, incoming RI president, has said that all of humanity has the same dreams, similar hopes, the same aspirations and similar problems. As Ted Gurzynski, Past District Governor has said

"It is the luck of the draw where you were born." We must start within ourselves and work outward. Kaylan's goals for our year are Family, which is the building block of the community where everything begins. Secondly we need to have continuity which means to strengthen the things we do well, support your **Rotary International** Foundation, tell our story well and keep our promise to the world about ending polio- our integrity as an organization is at stake. The third ingredient is change. Each of you must be the change which within ourselves. Change is started and more will be coming. Along with "looking within ourselves if we want a world with more kindness, more caring, more joy and more love, WE have to put it there. The difficult is done immediately and the impossible takes a little longer"

July is Literacy month in the Rotary World. Can all the kids in your schools read? How many adults are illiterate? The National Institute for Literacy in the US says adults who cannot read are hospitalized at twice the rate of those with reading skills; 45% of those at the lowest literacy level live in poverty and 60% of prison inmates are illiterate. The Elmbrook Rotary club has been working for a number of years helping to address literacy issues by funding a building and supplying library books

and supplies in Yercaud, India. They have been providing dictionaries to kids in their schools. West Allis Rotary club has asked for book donations for adults for the Greater Milwaukee Free Clinic so the adults can take a book(s) home and have them as their own. Additionally children's books fly off the shelves at the West Allis Health Department as kids get to take a book(s) home with them and keep it as their own. Tracy Loken Weber, Literacy Coordinator for the district has an article in the July newsletter about other opportunities to help improve literacy.

I am sure there are many other projects going on that I have not had the privilege to be aware of. As I make my visits, I will learn more and share with you if you are looking for a way to help reduce illiteracy in our communities and the world.

Quoting Kaylan," Rotarians are the people who do care, people who doing what is right and people who are doing good. The good we are doing is making a difference. Rotarians are pragmatic idealists, and we bring our ideals to life through Rotary service. We are in Rotary to change the world, for why else would we be Rotarians."

If you have ideas and thoughts about Literacy, please let me know and perhaps other clubs would like to join your project or start their own. Go forth and Serve and Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

-Nancy Rhodes, Governor, Rotary District 6270

#### **Stay Socially Connected**

Oshkosh Rotary Southwest is on Facebook

(/oshkoshrotarysouthwest) and on Twitter @oshkoshrotarysw. Like us and follow us!

#### **Weekly Invocations**

July Kent Mosebach

#### **Weekly Greeters**

**July 20** Andi Schalow & Chad Schroeder

July 27 at EAA

August 3 Ken Friedman & Todd Reuss

**August 10** Colleen Merrill & Bryan Hochstein

#### The Hub - Info Please!

hub@oshkoshrotarysouthwest.org

## The District Website http://rotary6270.org

#### Visit RI's Website

http://www.rotary.org

Have information for The HUB? Submit it no later than Noon on Tuesday to <a href="mailto:leftp@grandoperahouse.org">Jeffp@grandoperahouse.org</a>



### 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?