



Topic: "Alex Wesenberg: Brazil Trip"

Rotary News & Notes

Announcements:

Leap Day

Today is Leap Day – February 29th. Here are some interesting facts about today:

-The Earth's orbit around the sun causes the Leap Year. According to Britannica, it takes the Earth 365.25 to complete its orbit, so an extra day is added every four years due to that extra quarter of a day. It's been this way since 46 BC.

-Although leap years fall on even years, that's not the factor that makes it a leap year. Several believe that 2000 wasn't a leap year but it was. You can figure out a leap year by dividing the year by 400. If it's divisible, it's a leap year. For example, 1000 and 3000 would not qualify as leap years, but 2000, 2004, 2008 and 2012 does.

-The Chinese Calendar has a leap year as well, but it takes place every three years versus every four.

-Apparently, 1 in 1,470 will be born on leap day, according to Did You Know? That turns out to be four million people have a

Feb. 29 birthday. (You can read our interview with a leap year baby later today.)

-It's also said that if your boyfriend didn't propose on Valentine's Day, leap day allows women to propose instead.

Fact or Fiction?

Fact or Fiction will return next week. Last week, **Jeff Hackbarth** revealed he has taken a hot air balloon ride, bungee jumped, but DID NOT skydive.

Brewers Bus Trip

Tickets are still available for the Brewers game on Sunday, June 10. Tickets include seats in the Harley Davidson Pavilion, buffet, drinks, and the bus ride. Sign up today!

Environmental Awards

Congratulations to: First Presbyterian Church, St. Raphael's Church, City of Oshkosh Planning Department, and Christine Ann Regional Domestic Abuse Services for their contributions to making Oshkosh a more beautiful place.

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Calendar of Events

Upcoming Programs

March 7	Club Business
March 14	FVTC Referendum, Melissa Kohn
March 21	LIFE Study, Dale Feinauer

Recurring Events

2nd Mon. (March)	Club Board Meeting 4:00 – 5:30, Robbins 12)
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Other Rotary Events

June 10	Brewers Game Bus Trip
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Battle on Bago

Congratulations to everyone involved with Battle on Bago. Not only is this year's event on track to break its own fundraising records, the fishing tournament has become an international sensation. Battle on Bago grabbed headlines across the globe (New York Times, Chicago Tribune, CNN, The Weather Channel, The Daily Mail (UK), The Australian, and NPR – just to name a handful).

According to WorldRecordsAcademy.com - the 36 vehicles that got a little too close to the icy waters of Lake Winnebago set a new world record for "most vehicles to break through the ice"

Despite warnings to not drive any vehicles on the lake and for volunteers going down to the Merritt Street access area to have people turn around and park on shore some people ignored advice and parked. All but four of these vehicles were on shore without any damage due to significant efforts from BOB volunteers, fisherman, and Otterstreet to get the word out on the lake to remove vehicles from the ice near shore. Ironically they were parked near shore and took ATV's out fishing as the ice wasn't sufficient to hold a truck - let alone 200.

Still – in terms of a fundraising event – Battle on Bago was a huge success. Preliminary numbers indicated ticket sales

went up nearly 160% - with most being sold the last two days before the event. Final results of net proceeds will be calculated soon.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time and talent, helped secure sponsors and prize donations, purchased or sold raffle tickets, and enjoyed a couple frosty beverages on the (nearly) frozen shores of Lake Winnebago.

And – in case you're wondering – Joe Jeske won the tournament with a walleye weighing 6.5 pounds and Jake Rortvedt won the big prize (a fishing boat) with a 1.6 pound white bass.

Complete tournament and raffle winners are listed at www.BattleOnBago.com

Richard Ames Fellows Awards

The first Richard Ames Fellows awards will be presented to 27 Southwest Rotarians at the meeting on March 7. Similar to the Paul Harris Fellowship, the Richard Ames Fellowship is awarded to Oshkosh Southwest Rotarians who have donated \$1000 or more to our own Southwest Rotary foundation. The idea for the award was developed last year by a committee headed by Tom Kloeckner. The Board made the official designation at the committee's suggestion in the fall of 2011.

Weekly Invocations

February Melody Wollangk

Weekly Greeters

February 29 Cecil Streeter & Marcus Butts

March 7 Colleen Merrill & Todd Reuss

March 14 Brett Beaulieu & Bryan Hochstein

March 21 Karen Fredrick & Brett Beaulieu

The Hub – Info Please!

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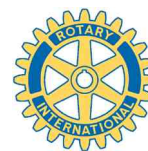
The District Website

<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 jefp@grandoperahouse.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?