



Beautification Awards

Rotary News & Notes Announcements:

Welcome New Members

Last week we had a great induction ceremony by founding member Dick Ames. I am always touched at how these speeches make me proud to be a Rotarian, and a Southwest Rotarian. Dick shared some great memories of his dad (a Kiwanian no less!) and how he instilled volunteerism and civic duty in Dick as a youngster. I am sure that in many ways that none of us see, we are all doing that for those around us, whether it be folks we meet through Rotary, work colleagues or our own families. Remember—you never know when you are touching someone's life in a positive way—so be inspired and keep doing what you are doing SW Rotarians!

Oh yes...inductions! We welcomed Brandon Heise, Kari Seefeldt and Kelsey Hulet officially into the club. As usual, you have seen these folks around quite a bit already, and two are even active in the Public

Relations committee. Way to go new members! Welcome!

Parent Connection Christmas Extravaganza

I have pledged to get ALL of my Christmas shopping done early this year and you know why? Because I want to really enjoy those weeks before the holiday without the pressure of finding gifts, and because Amazon is addicting, and because retail therapy works wonders even if you aren't buying for yourself. Anyway, one of the things I am going to enjoy because I am not shopping is the Parent Connection Christmas Wrap Party. It's just one of my favorite Rotary events of the year. I love wrapping presents, I love drinking and I love being with fellow Rotarians who are on a mission to help others (not necessarily in that order).

For new members, here is how the Parent Connection Christmas Extravaganza goes: The Committee gets a list of the families in need who will be participating and the children's Christmas lists from the Parent Connection.

2015–2016 Board

President: Tom Kloeckner
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Membership

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New Generations

Jessica Benesh & Marcus Butts

Vocational Service Chairs

Amy Albright & Christy Larsen

Dist. 6270

Dist. Gov.: Karen White
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R.I. President: K.R. Ravindran

Calendar of Events

Upcoming Programs

Nov. 4 LiveStrong/ YMCA-
Dan Braun
Nov. 11 Emerald Ash Borer-Bill
Stern

Recurring Events

2nd Mon. Club Board Meeting
(Nov. 9) 4:00 – 6:00, Robbins

Other Rotary Events

Dec. 21 Parent Connection Wrap
Presents Party—Robbins
Dec. 22 Parent Connection Christmas
Party-Boys & Girls Club
Jan. 21 Rotary Christmas Party

Parent Connection Christmas Continued...

Then, volunteers from the club shop...and shop...and shop getting several items on each list for each child. Then, we wrap...and wrap...and wrap until all of the presents are wrapped with gift tags. (The level of organization that keeping all this straight takes is amazing!) Then, we throw a party for the families at the Boys and Girls Club with a meal, activities and Santa of course. Here's the cool part: the kids don't open the presents at the party, they are delivered to the parents' cars, so they can be hidden away for Christmas morning. I am sure left out a lot, but that's the gist.

So get the events on your calendar and if you are a new member, make a point to participate, as it's one of the best things we do all year: Party is Tuesday December 22 from 5:30-7:30. The Wrap/Pizza Party is Monday Dec. 21 at 5 pm at Robbins. Pizza provided, cash bar.

Celebration of Lights Advertisement

Thanks to the efforts of Gretchen Herman and Craig Burnett, we have a beautiful advertisement in this year's Celebration of Lights Catalog.

The advertisement was given to us at no charge in acknowledgment of our years of contributions to COL. On very short notice, Gretchen created a wonderful starry ad with the text "Oshkosh Southwest Rotary is proud to be a continuing sponsor of the Celebration of Lights since member Tom Stephany brought his vision to life in 2001." Thanks for making this happen Gretchen and Craig. What a great way to honor Tom and let folks know about SW Rotary!

New HUB Editor in November: Kari Seefeldt

Remember, we are now doing "round robin" with editing the HUB with different members of our PR committee each taking a 3-month stint. My (Emily Dunham's) last HUB is today...which maybe explains why I am so chatty this week. Kari Seefeldt is taking over for November through January. If you have something for the HUB, email her at kseefeldt@omnigp.com. Or, if you send it to me, of course I will forward it—I'm not that way!

I have enjoyed doing the HUB, because it allowed me to get to know this great club even better. If you can put a sentence together, or not, please consider taking a crack at it in the coming years.

Weekly Invocations

October Vicki Beltran

Weekly Greeters

October 28 Matthew Vaughan & Marcus Butts

November 4 Jeff Potts & Jeff Krueger

The Hub – Info Please!

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SW Rotary Website

OshkoshRotarySouthwest.org

The District Website

<http://rotary6270.org>

Visit RI's Website

<http://www.rotary.org>

Have information for The HUB? Submit it to

kseefeldt@omnigp.com

no later than noon on Tuesday.



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?