



# The Hub

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### Today's Presentation: Avenue of Service New Generations ~ Marcus Butts

#### TODAY'S PRESENTATION

Today's presentation is by Marcus Butts. He will provide an update on what is happening within the "New Generations" avenue of service, including PALs and the High School Rotary clubs. Thank you, Marcus!

#### DISTRICT CONFERENCE JUN 1-3

District Governor Julie Craig

Mark your calendars for Jun 1-3, 2017. You WILL NOT want to miss this year's amazing activities and speakers. Early bird registration will begin on Mar 16 and run through May 1.

In addition to four breakout sessions, ranging in topics from Millennials to creating an impactful public image, there will be fellowship opportunities at locations highlighting some of Milwaukee's favorite restaurants. Also, on Friday afternoon there will several bus tours, including everything Milwaukee - Golfing, Harley Davidson Plant & Museum, St. Josaphat Basilica, a Brewery tour, and more. Since March is Water and Sanitation Month, I would be remiss in not mentioning that one of these tours is a trip to the UWM Great Lakes Water Institute and School of Freshwater Science.

We have fascinating keynote speakers, fabulous meals and a special Milwaukee County Zoo Run/Walk for the entire family scheduled for Saturday morning.

Many of these activities have a sign-up limit - so don't delay your registration. A brochure describing this entire District Conference will be available on our website in the "Site Pages" section early next week. A registration link will also be posted and activated on Mar 16. We are excited to have all of you join us. Mark your calendar today.

See more at:

<http://www.rotary6270.org/Stories/from-district-governor-julie-craig#sthash.Ms7Slvqp.dpuf>

#### ROOSEVELT BEFORE SCHOOL PROGRAMS



#### 2016 - 2017 Board

<i>President</i>	Jeff Potts
<i>President Elect</i>	John Hobbins
<i>Past President</i>	Tom Kloeckner
<i>Secretary</i>	Brad Dunn
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<i>International Service</i>	Heidi Kivi & Kelsey Hulet
<i>New Generations</i>	Marcus Butts & Jessica Benesh
<i>Vocational Service</i>	Amy Albright & Autumn Urban

<i>Foundation</i>	Jim Chitwood & Todd Slagter
<i>Public Relations</i>	Kari Seefeldt
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<i>District Governor</i>	Julie Craig
<i>Zone-B Asst Governor</i>	Craig Burnett
<i>RI President</i>	John F Germ

#### Calendar of Events

##### Upcoming Programs

Mar 15	Kevin Lyons-Tarr, 4imprint
Mar 22	Community for Hope
Mar 29	Tua Tunami Foundation

##### Recurring Events

2nd Monday	Club Board Meeting
Mar 13	4:00 - 5:30pm Best Western Premier

##### Other Rotary Events

Jul 19	Timber Rattlers
Sep 1-4	RibFest

**IN THE NEWS ...**  
**"CARRIE'S CAUSE"**

Kari Seefeldt



Poinsettias lift up spirits and bring a splash of festive red and green to homes in Oshkosh and across the country during the holidays. If people are lucky, they are still enjoying them in February. At least that's what the foundation Carrie's Cause is hoping for.

Carrie's Cause was founded in Colorado in the fall of 2013 by Todd Maul to continue the legacy of Carrie Maul, his wife and an Oshkosh native who passed away in March of that year. Since 2009, Carrie and her family had been delivering poinsettias to various nursing homes at Christmastime and went door-to-door visiting each resident.

"The real purpose of the plant was to facilitate a meaningful interaction that would warm the spirits of both the receiver and the giver. This was something very important to Carrie and so when she passed, Todd and his sons knew that they needed to continue the great work she had started," said Stacey Wells, Carrie's Cause.

Today Carrie's Cause has made its way to 18 facilities in 4 states including Wisconsin with Oshkosh leading the way. John Hobbins, former Pastor at First United Methodist Church and Oshkosh Southwest Rotarian has truly embodied the spirit and passion of the cause. With John's help, this year in Oshkosh alone, Oshkosh North High School, Oshkosh West High School, and Lourdes Rotary Interact clubs, along with church youth groups from First United Methodist Church and St. John's Lutheran Church delivered almost 600 poinsettias. They made stops at Bethel Lutheran Homes, Evergreen, Park View and Heritage Court.

"It is hard to find words to express the joy a resident has upon receiving a visit and a poinsettia from a huddle of young angels full of giggles and good cheer.

Every year the kids who participated the year before ask me, "are we going to give away poinsettias again?" It is an event people look forward to, both young and old. A motto to live by: "Be a gift to the world." Carrie's Cause brings that motto alive in the season of Christmas every year," said Hobbins.

In 2009, when Carrie started delivering poinsettias, she went to one nursing home and delivered 75 plants. Fast forward to 2016, 2520 poinsettias were delivered, the best year yet. However, the poinsettia itself really symbolizes a deeper meaning when it comes to caring, loving, and nurturing.

"People often throw out their Christmas poinsettia when the decorations come down. What many people don't realize is that with some of that care, love, and nurturing, poinsettias will live for many years. They will bloom again and again. In fact, Todd still has two healthy poinsettias that Carrie kept," said Wells.

If you want to help make a difference and spread happiness and cheer to the elderly during the holidays, visit CarriesCause.org. You can learn more about donating to the cause, volunteering and sponsoring a nursing home.

*Carrie's Cause is a 501(c)3 non-profit and recognized by the IRS and any donations are tax deductible.*



**GREETERS ~ INVOCATION**



Greeters and invocation leaders will be needed for the next quarter. Please sign up. Thank you!

*Weekly Invocations*

**March**

Kim Johnson-Thiele  
 Bonnie Behnke 3/1

*Weekly Greeters*

**Mar 8**

Jon Dudzinski  
 Kari Seefeldt

**Mar 15**

Dick Casey  
 ???

*Meeting Location*

Best Western Premier & Waterfront Hotel,  
 Atherm Ballroom, 2 N Main St, Oshkosh

*SW Rotary Website*

[oshkoshrotarysouthwest.org](http://oshkoshrotarysouthwest.org)

*The District Website*

[rotary6270.org](http://rotary6270.org)

*Rotary International Website*

[rotary.org](http://rotary.org)

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*Have information for The HUB?*

*Submit it to*

*Karlene Leatherman*

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*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?