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TODAY'S PRESENTATION:

Taking Root II Campaign
Travis Derks

Today's Presentation



Today we welcome **Travis Derks**, Landscape Operations Manager / City Forester for the City of Oshkosh Parks Department.

Travis oversees the City's public urban forest which consists of the trees in public parks, greenspaces, municipal cemeteries and street terraces. Travis will be educating us on the emerald ash borer invasion that arrived in Oshkosh about 7 years ago. Nearly 900 ash trees have already been removed from the City of Oshkosh terraces and public spaces after being killed by the tiny green beetle. At least 600 more trees on terraces and public property are at risk and will need to be removed.

The City of Oshkosh is partnering with the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation to raise money through the Taking Root II campaign to replace the removed trees. It is estimated that each new tree will cost \$400, including planting services. Plans are to plant and replace as many trees as funding will allow. Trees of various species will be planted on terraces throughout Oshkosh by the City of Oshkosh Landscape Operations Division. Among many benefits, these trees will help reduce air pollution, reduce storm water runoff, enhance property values, provide wildlife habitat, and improve health and well-being.

<https://www.oshkoshareacf.org/taking-root/>

Thank you Travis!

50th Anniversary



The Rotary Club of Oshkosh Southwest turned **50** on March 20, 2023.

We will be celebrating this fall (September/October).

More info coming!



Day by Day Meals



The Rotary Club of Oshkosh Southwest will be serving meals at the Day By Day Warming Shelter **5:30-7:00pm** on

Wednesday, Apr 5
Monday, May 1

6 people are needed.

Plated meals are served via the kitchen service window.

If interested, contact Jessica Benesh.

SAVE THE DATES Volunteers Needed

Wednesday, Apr 5

5:30-7pm

Day by Day – serve meal

Saturday, Apr 15

6-10pm

Mac 'n Brew

Monday, May 1

5:30-7pm

Day by Day – serve meal

Thursday, May 4

5-8pm

Social – Sturgeon Spirits

Saturday, May 6

9-11:30am

Fox-Wolf Watershed Cleanup

Wednesday, May 3

8am-12noon

OAUW Day of Caring

Thursday, Jun 29

5:30-8pm

Changing of the Guard

Wednesday, Jul 26

11am-2pm

EAA Flying Rotarians Picnic

Thursday, Jul 27

5:30pm

The Gathering

Wednesday, Aug 2

5pm

Founder's Picnic



Calendar of Events

Upcoming Programs

- Mar 29 **On The Wing**
Jane Kelly
- Apr 5 **Drug Court**
John Jorgenson
- Apr 12 **Oshkosh Area School District**
Dr Bryan Davis
- Apr 19 **SAFE Families for Children**
Betsy Borns
- Apr 26 **Back to School Fair**
Ruth Mauritz, Tracy Gehrke
- May 3 **Sturgeon Spirits**
Karl Loewenstein
- May 10 **Fox Valley Memory Project**
Carissa Paul
- May 17 **TBD**
Carmen Leal
- May 24 **Board on Aging & Long Term Care**
Kim Verstegen

Recurring Events

- 2nd **Club Board Meeting**
- Monday Revs Bowl Bar & Grill
- Apr 10 275 N Washburn St
- 4pm Oshkosh
- All are welcome to attend!

**Mac 'n Brew
Saturday, April 15, 2023**

Saturday
April 15
6-10pm
Sunnyview Expo
500 Cty Rd Y
Oshkosh



Online tickets available now
<https://macandbrew.rsvpify.com>

(Paper tickets coming.)
Advance tickets \$35/person
Tickets at the door \$45/person

**** 21 AND OVER ONLY ****

Included in your ticket:

- Souvenir pint glass
- Mac & Brew sampling: 6pm-8pm

“Mac” from:

- Becket's, Chester V's, Dublin's,
- Fin 'n' Feather, Gabe's,
- Mile High Pub, PARM, Pitoras Café,
- Revs Bowl Bar & Grill, The Roxy,
- TJ's Harbor

... more coming!

“Brew” from:

- Ahnapee Brewery,
 - Fox River Brewing,
 - Knuth Brewing, Noble Roots,
 - Sunken Paddle Ciderworks
- ... more coming!

Soda, water, snacks

“After Brew” beer by Badger Liquor.
8pm-10pm: music by Almost Normal

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- Old National Mortgage
- Olson Legal Group LLC
- Oshkosh Herald
- Revs Bowl Bar & Grill

For more information contact
Mike Vaughan, Karlene Leatherman.

We will be looking for volunteers to serve at the event. Watch for sign-up sheets or contact Mike or Karlene.



**Words of Inspiration
March 22**
Erik Gialdella

**Greeters
March 22**
Erik Gialdella

March 29
Barb Herzog

Today's Meeting Location
Best Western Premier
Atheam Ballroom
1 N Main St
Oshkosh

SW Rotary Website
oshkoshrotarysouthwest.org

District 6270 Website
rotary6270.org

Rotary International Website
rotary.org

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