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September 20, 2006

Today: Bill Wresch, "George Washington's First Battle"

Project:

Bowling FUNraiser

When Marlin Greenfield and Art Dumke began to conjure up ideas for potential club fundraising events, little did they know that they were about to bowl a strike. When the former Fall Auction and Super Bowl party fundraisers seemed to reach their peak of revenue effectiveness, the Bowling FUNraiser event was born. The idea is relatively simple. Individuals and businesses pledge \$300 per bowler OR \$1200 per team of four bowlers. Then they send (a) person(s) to bowl at the event. The pinfall is then subtracted from the \$300 pledge. In effect, if one rolls a score of 150, it results in a net contribution of \$150. A perfect score of 300 results in a contribution of zero dollars. Last year, a couple of Festival's suppliers provided beer, soda and light food for the event, which was held at Brew's Eagle Lanes in Oshkosh. This event raised a phenomenal \$20,000 after minimal expenses. The Club kept \$10,000 for general revenue, and disbursed \$10,000 that was split between the United Way, Volunteer Center and the new Veteran's Memorial Museum being built on the EAA grounds. Expectations are to grow this event this year and increase revenues by at least 25%. This might include expansion to a two-night format. Think of the impact this one event has had on our community! Thanks to Merlin. Art and Randy Schmiedel, YOU, too, can help Lead the Way by being a part of the Bowling FUNraiser on January 18, 2007!



NEWS AT A GLANCE

- Craig Burnett welcomed Doug Seefeld back from his summer camp leadership experience and thanked him for all the work that he quietly and faithfully performs all year. This amounts to over 2000 annual transactions. Thanks, Doug! Thanks also to Craig for taking over the work this summer in Doug's absence!
- The Downtown Rotary Club will be hosting a 3-Club Rotary Social fellowship and pig roast Thursday, September 28 5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the American Legion, 1393 Washington Avenue, Oshkosh. Tickets are \$15.00 for adults and \$ 8.00 for children 10 and under. Contact: Lori Renning 232-3639 or rangerlahuber@aim.com
- Nicole Peterson is now in charge of new member mentors. If you are interested in being a mentor, or if you need a mentor, please contact Nicole.
- Gretchen Marin has free tickets to Business Expo 2006, which will be held January 26 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Oshkosh Convention Center. If you are interested in the tickets, contact Gretchen.
- Our new in-bound exchange student, Luis, would love to join you and your family for events, outings, and new experiences. His cell phone number will be 252-0566, or call the Aronson's home at 232-9038.
- Ada Thimke of Lara's Tortilla Flats and Susie Schneider of Poppi's are hosting a Fashion Show Luncheon on September 18 to benefit the Oshkosh Area Humane Society. Jewelry will be displayed by Thimke Diamonds as well as art by Collector's Gallery. Tickets are \$30 each. Contact: Tortilla Flats for details 233-4440. Time: 11 a.m. social, 11:30 lunch, 12 noon fashion show.
- The 13th annual Shelter Trek 1970s "We are Family" style dog walk will be held Saturday, September 9 at Menominee Park is Oshkosh. Proceeds will benefit the Oshkosh Area Humane Society. Contact: Allan Degner
- The Dragonboat Race is September 23 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Riverside Park. A couple of rowers are still needed. Waivers must be completed. This fundraising event will benefit UW-Oshkosh, the YMCA and the Oshkosh Opera House. Contact: John Holdorf or Craig Burnett.

ROTARIAN OF THE WEEK



Dr. Kimberly Johnson-Thiel, Chiropractor

Favorite club project: Exchange kids

Proudest achievement: Being Jackson and Morgan's Mom.

Earliest memory: Being under the water at 18 months old and seeing a school of minnows swim past me. I had fallen off the dock into the lake and nobody noticed. After someone asked where I was, my wonderful mother saw my hand sticking out of the water and ran and jumped past a group of hysterical people screaming and saved me. Thanks Mom!

Nobody in my club knows: I was a Minnesota state 4-H champion in horse judging.

Favorite part of every Rotary meeting: The friendly chit - chat before the meetings.

Three things I'd want on a deserted island: A full service staff, multiple daily newspapers, and my pilot with an airplane.

If I hadn't become a Rotarian, I never would have: Met my husband. I was a charter member of the Morning Club and he was the speaker. I came in late and wondered who he was. He noticed me and tracked me down and called me. I can hardly remember what he talked about. But I do remember thinking, "that's the man I'm going to marry." Fourteen years later we are still together...thanks to Rotary!

The one television show I don't usually tell people I watch is: I don't watch TV. I have two full time jobs...being a chiropractor and being a Mom. There is no time left over for TV.

When I tell people I'm in Rotary, they: I don't give them a change to ask. I tell them what a great organization it is and you have to eat lunch anyway.

If I had to eat three foods for the rest of my life, they would be: A & W diet cream soda, ice cream (not low cal), and Tootsie Rolls.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

September 23 – Dragon Boat Race

September 27 – District 6270 Governor Mike Slawny will be our guest.

September 27 – Board Meeting, 4:00 p.m., La Sure's Banquet Hall.

October – Registration starts for the Rotary International Convention in Salt Lake City, UT June 17-20, 2007.

OUR DRAGONS PREPARE!



Where are those promised rowing handouts?



The Dragon Crew



"At - ten - tion!"

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

September 20 – Bill Wresch, "George Washington's First Battle."

September 27 – District Governor, Mike Slawny

Please send information to be included in next week's copy of THE HUB by Friday to: JoAnn Konkel at <u>konkel@uwosh.edu</u>

INVOCATION – CLUB SERVICE

September – Mike Stratz

October – Kate Thome

November – Fran Finley

Thanks to Mike for presenting the invocation this month and for all those who have volunteered this coming year. If you would like to get involved, contact Kent Mosebach. Call 235-0420 or e-mail at kmosebach@new.rr.com

ROTARY GREETERS

September 20	Allan Degner Terrie Cummings
September 27	John Hazelberg Tiffany Martin
October 4	Bonnie Behnke Allan Degner
October 11	Gretchen Marin Steve Poeschl

PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

The Board has approved the following individuals for membership pending publication:

Brad Baumann, Senior Manager of Assurance Services at Clifton Gunderson LLP. (Proposed by Michael Scott)

Bob Beckstrom, retired from the Human Resources area of work. (Proposed by Paul Fowler)

Michael Weber, Senior Human Resource Associate, Oshkosh Truck Corp. (Proposed by Michael Scott)



Will it build goodwill and better friendships?

Will it be beneficial to all concerned?