Announcements
This week, representatives of local nonprofit organizations joined our meeting to accept checks from Southwest Rotary. The charities were designated by participants in the Bowling FunRaiser event that took place last October.

At the Bowling FunRaiser, over $28,000 was raised with 43 companies participating. A total of 21,337 pins were knocked down that night, with the average score of 140. (As you recall, donations equaled 300 less pin fall, making the average donation $160 per person.)

Thirteen nonprofits were selected by participants to receive proceeds from the event, including:

- Oshkosh Boys and Girls Club
- Oshkosh YMCA
- Oshkosh Area Humane Society
- DARE
- Christine Ann Center
- WINR
- Salvation Army

Representatives from six charities were available to accept checks at the meeting:

- Take Five (Vicky Schroeder)
- ARC – Winnebago County Disability Assoc. (Lea Kitz)
-Americian Red Cross (Becky Pinnow)
- Cerebral Palsey of Mideast WI (Lorraine Yarbrough)
- Lutheran Social Services (Carol Frahm)
- Habitat for Humanity (Steve Hoopman)

Look forward to the annual Southwest Rotary Bowling FunRaiser in 2009!
The ABCs of Rotary
At the District 6270 Spring Assembly in Hartford April 4th, Bill Wresch led a breakout session titled “The ABCs of Rotary”. Over 180 Rotarians participated in Spring Assembly this year, including eight from Southwest Rotary. During the ABCs of Rotary, we learned some interesting history and facts about Rotary. See how much you know!

Define Rotary.
This is your “elevator speech” when people ask you about Rotary. Be sure to hit on the fact that we are an international service organization of leaders united to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

When was the first Rotary meeting?
The first meeting of young attorney, Paul Harris, and other professionals was Feb. 23, 1905 in Chicago. Paul Harris was new to Chicago and used an organization of businessmen to get to know others in the big city.

What was the first Rotary service project?
The first service project was building public bathrooms in downtown Chicago. Interestingly enough, it was a project that involved water and sanitation!

Who created the Four Way Test?
Herb Taylor wrote the Four Way Test as a code of ethics for his struggling aluminum company during the Depression. He credits the success of his business to the Test, which was formally adopted by Rotary in 1943. Herb Taylor later became RI President in 1954-55.

When did RI officially allow women to join?
In 1978, the Rotary Club of Duarte, CA allowed three women to join although Rotary Bylaws stated the Rotary club membership was for males only. The Bylaws were changed to remove the “male only” provision in 1989 in order to comply with civil rights laws and protect their tax exempt status. As a result of the change, Rotary clubs have grown exponentially.

What is “classification” and why does Rotary have them?
Classifications describe the principal or recognized business activity of a firm with which the member is connected. Rotary clubs work to have representations from a variety of classifications in order to represent a cross-section of the professional services in the community.

Name four programs sponsored by the Rotary Foundation.

How much as Rotary contributed to eradicate polio?
Since Rotary launched its massive effort to eradicate polio in 1985, it is estimated that Rotary has raised $800M. In 2008, 2000 cases were reported in Nigeria, Afghanistan, India, and Pakistan.

Weekly Invocations
April        Vicki Beltran
May          Tom Goddard

Weekly Greeters
April 15     Kris Villars
             Tom Weber
April 22     Marlin Greenfield
             Mary Jo Parkins
April 29     Bonnie Behnke
             Tim Lamers

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The Four Way Test

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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?