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Oshkosh Southwest Rotary Club



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TODAY'S PRESENTATION: Foundation Day/Paul Harris Awards Dave Omachinski & Todd Slagter

Today's Presentation

The highest award in Rotary is the **Paul Harris Award**. It is given to a Rotarian or a member of the community that has made an outstanding contribution to the community. The Paul Harris Fellow recognition acknowledges individuals who contribute, or who have contributions made in their name, of \$1,000 to <u>The Rotary</u> Foundation.

Rotary established the recognition in 1957 to encourage and show appreciation for substantial contributions to what was then the Foundation's only program, Rotary Foundation Fellowships for Advanced Study, the precursor to Ambassadorial Scholarships.

Many notable figures have been named Paul Harris Fellows, including U.S. President Jimmy Carter, Russian President Boris Yeltsin, U.S. astronaut James Lovell, UN Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, and polio vaccine developer Jonas Salk

Today we will be recognizing Paul Harris Fellows Jim Chitwood, Barb Herzog and Jay Merrill for their multiple donations to the Rotary Foundation.

In addition, Michael Gibbs, Patrick Hughes and Carissa Paul will be turning in their red badges for white ones. Congratulations to all!



Calendar of Events

Nov. 15	Foundation Day/Paul Harris Awards Dave Omachinski & Todd Slagter
Nov. 19	Tiny House Village Community Meal Oshkosh Southwest Rotary
Nov. 22	Wisconsin Man Art Michael Cooney
Nov. 22	Rotary Holiday Kickoff Social 1:30pm-3pm: Pete's 3pm-???: Revs
Nov. 29	Habitat for Humanity Liz Last
Nov. 29	Valley Christian Bell Choir (Before & After Lunch)
Dec. 6	Oshkosh Lourdes Madrigals Offsite at United Methodist Church
Dec. 11	Board Meeting Revs Bowl Bar & Grill

No One Can Do Everything...But Everyone Can Do Something

2023 - 2024 Board

President President Elect Past President Secretary Treasurer Sergeant-at-Arms Karlene Leatherman Erik Gialdella Brad Dunn Mike Vaughan Kathy Hanson Jim Chitwood

Avenues of Service

Club: Nate Olson, Griffin Pollnow Community: Jessica Benesh, Dan Lenz International: Bill Thimke, Nick Hahn Youth Services (Previously New Generations): Karen Boehm, Brad Dunn, Michael Raymond, Eric Smiltneek Vocational: Amy Montgomery, John Rowe

Committees

Foundation: Dave Omachinski, Todd Slagter Membership: Shelly Hurzeler, Kristopher Ulrich Programs: Greg Giles, Carmen Leal Public Relations: Siri Pollnow Greeters / Invocations: Erik Gialdella Environmental: Tom Hallquist

District 6270

District Governor: Don Griffing

Rotary International

President: Gordon McInally

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Looking For Help With Facebook

Siri Pollnow has done a wonderful job of posting about club meetings and events on the Oshkosh Southwest Rotary Facebook page for a while now. She will be on maternity leave and is seeking someone that would be willing to take over this volunteer task while she is gone. Please reach our to Karlene if you are interest in helping out!

Tiny House "Friendsgiving" - Meal Serving

We are looking for fellow Rotarians to help serve a meal at the Tiny House Village. If you are willing to help or would like more information, please reach out to Jessica Benesh.

Date: Sunday, November 19, 2023 Location: Tiny House Village - Oshkosh Time: Set up: Noon, Serve: 1pm-3ish, Clean-up: 3pm-4ish



Club Social - Nov. 22nd

Join us for an Oshkosh Southwest Rotary Club Social! We invite you to come and kick-off the Holiday season with other club members after our meeting.

Date: Wednesday, November 22, 2023 Where/When: Pete's Garage Bar: 1:30-3pm Revs: 3pm-???

Wisconsin Herd Game - Club Social

Join club members Mike Vaughan and Nate Olson in the party deck area for the Herd game. There is a limited supply of tickets so you must RSVP for this event. Tickets are on a first come, first serve basis during the RSVP time period.

Date: Saturday, December 16, 2023 **Location:** Oshkosh Arena - Wisconsin Herd **Time:** Tip-off is 7pm, time will be announced to arrive for the pre-game party at the party deck by Mike or Nate.

Roosevelt PALs Canned Food Drive

When:Orders due by December 1stHow:Complete the attached sheet orfill one out at our Rotary meeting.

If you would like to participate in the Roosevelt PALs Canned Food drive, please complete the donation form and return it to Karlene no later than December 1st.

Parent Connection Christmas Party



Where: St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church 808 N Main St, Oshkosh When: Wrap Party: Tue. Dec. 5th - evening Christmas Party: Wed. De. 6th - evening

Please see the attached form for ways to help out with sponsoring, shopping, donating, attending the wrap party, and/or attending the Christmas party. Contact Kristopher to sign up for shopping: ulrich.kristopher@gmail.com Contact Jessica or Kristopher for more info.



Want to be Club President 2025-2026?

By the end of 2023, our club will need to have our Presidential nominee for the club year of July 2025 through June of 2026.

The Rotary International Convention for that year will be in Calgary, Canada if you'd choose to want to attend. Please see Karlene or Mike Vaughan if you are interested. Upcoming Words of Inspiration & Greeters At Our Weekly Meeting

Words of Inspiration

Nov. 15th Kristopher Ulrich

Nov. 23rd Michael Raymond

Greeters

Nov. 15th Mike Vaughan and Gerald Hendrickson

Nov. 23rd Angela Winter and Sarah Moyle

Today's Meeting Location

Best Western Premiere Athearn Ballroom 1 N Main St, Oshkosh



SW Rotary Website

District 6270 Website rotary6270.org Rotary International Website rotary.org

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Season's Greetings!

For over 25 years, Oshkosh Southwest Rotary has partnered with Family Services Parent Connection during the holiday season. The tradition continues, as we plan to make the holidays special for these families and host our annual Parent Connection Christmas Party!

This year's Christmas Party will be held on Wednesday, December 6 at St John's Evangelical Church (808 N Main St). The party will include dinner, crafts, and fun! We will also be having a wrap party at the church on Tuesday, December 5. Both events will take place from 5:30-7 pm.

In 2020, our Rotary Club members, employers, coworkers, family, and friends provided gifts for 86 children (51 families). 2021 numbers increased to 120 children (63 families) and in 2022 we sponsored gifts for **128 children** (56 families). The number of families in need continues to grow! **We need YOUR help!**

If you can support this event in any way, complete the information below and return it by Wednesday 11/29 to Kristopher Ulrich. Please email with any questions.

I want to take this opportunity to make a child's Christmas special by:

Sponsor/Donor Name _____

_____ Sponsoring _____ Child(ren) \$50/child donation (Circle one: check / bill to Rotary invoice)

_____ *Shopping for Children (with a list provided – many of the gifts can be purchased online)

_____Donate \$ for the event _____\$20 ____\$50 or \$_____(Circle one: check / bill to Rotary invoice)

* Gifts must be dropped off at Assurance Title (901 Witzel Ave) by Friday, December 1. Do not wrap gifts.

If you would like to sponsor and shop for the child(ren), put a mark by both.

If you only want to sponsor, someone will shop for those children.

If you only want to shop, that's also super helpful, and receipts can be turned in for full reimbursement!)

_____ Will attend the Wrap Party (help wrap gifts and organize for the party)

_____ Will attend the Christmas Party (help with the day-of festivities)

Thank you for your love and support of these families! We are blessed with a great opportunity to make a difference.



Kristopher Ulrich Ulrich.Kristopher@gmail.com

Jessica Benesh Jessica.Benesh@aah.org



OSHKOSH MID-MORNING

Roosevelt PALs Canned Food Drive

Canned Veggies **\$20.40** per case

x _____ # cases = \$______

Canned Soup **\$20.40** per case

x _____ # cases = \$_____

Orders due no later than December 1st at noon.

Print Name:

Bill my Rotary account: Yes No (payment attached)

