## The Hub





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Every Small Act of Kindness Reshapes the World In Immeasurable Ways

### TODAY'S MEETING Nick Hahn and Bill Thimke

Rotary International—Peru Projects
Oshkosh Convention Center North
Breakout Rooms—2 N. Main St.



Nick Hahn and Bill Thimke will provide an update on their visit to Peru in November as a part of Southwest Rotary's international efforts.

#### **Words of Inspiration**

Craig Burnett—Apr. 16 Dick Ames—Apr. 23

#### Greeters

leva Engel & Olson Legal Group—Apr. 16 Luke Geoffrion & Gerald Hendrickson—Apr. 23

To sign up to be a Greeter or to offer Words of Inspiration, contact Michael Raymond at Michael@imagineroad.com.

### Rotary Minute: Empowering Local Economies

Did you know that Rotary actively boosts local economies? Through vocational training, microloans, and support for small businesses, Rotary helps individuals and communities become self sufficient.

In places like Uganda, Rotary clubs have funded sewing cooperatives that empower women, providing them the tools and training to become entrepreneurs. Similarly, Rotary-sponsored agricultural programs in Central America have increased farming efficiency, benefiting entire villages.

When Rotary invests in local economies, it plants seeds of lasting change.

And that's your Rotary Minute!

#### SW Rotary Website

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District 6270 Website rotary6270.org

Rotary International Website

rotary.org

Oshkosh Rotary Southwest



Thursday, June 19
5:30-6:30 p.m.—Social, Cocktails
and Hors d'oeuvres
6:30 p.m.—Program

Lakeshore Pavilion, 1873 Punhoqua St. Contact: Karen Boehm, kboehm@lourdes.today

Mark your calendars for the 2024-25 Changing of the Guard to celebrate outgoing Rotary President Erik Gialdella.

# Walk with a Doc to Rotary



Wednesday, May 7 @ 11:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. Fox Valley Technical College Riverside Campus Main Entrance 150 N. Campbell Rd.

Join Dr. Eric Smiltneek and Rotary guest speaker Stephanie Pereira de Silva for Walk with a Doc to Rotary on May 7.

### Rotary Service Opportunities Abound: There is something for everyone!

Service projects are a great opportunity to get more involved with Rotary, get better acquainted with fellow Rotarians and do good in the community. Consider volunteering for one of these projects.



#### **Pups on the Runway**

Thur., April 24 | 5-8 p.m.
Becket's Atrium
2 Jackson St.
Contact: Carmen Leal,
carmenlealwrites@gmail.com

#### Who are we helping: Day by Day Shelter

Pups on the Runway is a dog-friendly event benefiting the Day by Day Shelter. Help is needed with sponsorships, raffle baskets and volunteers.



#### Sleep in Heavenly Peace Bed Build

Sat., May 10 | 8 a.m.-noon Location: TBD

Contact: Michael Scott or Nate Olson michael@independencefinancialllc.com\_or nate@olsonlegalgroup.com

### Who are we helping: Children in Oshkosh who do not have a bed

Sleep in Heavenly Peace has delivered 402 beds to children in Oshkosh so far, but 322 kids are still awaiting beds. Rotarians Michael Scott (Independence Financial) and Nate Olson (Olson Legal Group) are sponsoring this bed build, but your time and energy are needed. No experience necessary.

#### **Rock the Block**



#### **Work Team Volunteer**

Tues., May 20 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Contact: Karlene Leatherman, Karrr@sbcglobal.com

#### Who are we helping? Residents in the Historic 6th Ward Neighborhood

Rock the Block is Habitat for Humanity's international brand that is focused on bringing people together to revitalize neighborhoods.

Opportunities may include lawn care, landscaping, yard work, pressure washing, and exterior home improvements and repairs. Personal protective equipment will be provided. Volunteers check in at the Boatworks Pavilion Riverfront Kayak Launch, 301 Michigan Street. Look for sign up sheets at registration.



#### Sponsored by: Oshkosh Area United Way

Wed., May 21 | 8 a.m.-noon

8 a.m.—Complimentary Breakfast at the Boys & Girls Club Radford Gym

9 a.m.-noon—Disburse for Projects Contact: Karlene Leatherman,

Karrr@sbcglobal.com to join the Rotary team

#### Who are we helping? Oshkosh Residents

This community-wide volunteer event brings together volunteers to tackle meaningful projects that support local non-

profits and organizations. Whether painting, landscaping, assembling donations, or lending a helping hand to a senior, volunteers make a tangible impact in just one day. Click **HERE** for event details.

#### **Rock the Block**



#### Volunteer Lunch Server

Thurs., May 22 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Contact: Karlene Leatherman, Karrr@sbcglobal.com

### Who are we helping? Rock the Block Volunteers

Six Rotarians are needed to help serve lunch to volunteers and provide sides, desserts, beverages, plates, napkins and plasticware. Sign up sheets will be located at the meeting registration table to join the team.

# Rotary District 6270

### **Business Directory**

Highlight your business with Rotary District 6270.

- ✓ Are you a Rotary District 6270 member AND business owner?
- Do you want to highlight your business to ALL Rotary District 6270 members?
- ✓ Submit the application **HERE** or by using the QR Code below **NOW** through May 31, 2025.