The Hub





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Every Small Act of Kindness Reshapes the World In Immeasurable Ways

TODAY'S MEETING

Dick Ames—Backyard Astronomy

Dick's New Telescope

Oshkosh Convention Center South Breakout Rooms—2 N. Main St.



For today's meeting, Dick is trading in his grilling tongs for a telescope. "From a magnifying glass to see bugs to glasses to see the board to telescopes to see the moon, lenses have fascinated me. In optometry school, they called me, Galileo. When you're a nerd, you may as well embrace it. It can be fun, honest."

Words of Inspiration

Dick Ames—Apr. 23

Brad Dunn—Apr. 30

Greeters

Luke Geoffrion &
Gerald Hendrickson—Apr. 23
Sarah Danahy & Dan Lenz—Apr. 30

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

New Members—1st Posting

The following individuals have been recommended for membership by the Board of Directors.

Name: Tim Ryan

Vocation: Branch Manager, Fortifi Bank

Found via: Internet search

Name: Melisa Ellingson

Vocation: Director of Sales & Marketing, The Courtyard at Oshkosh Assisted Living

& Memory Care Found via: Work

District Grant Complete

The Oshkosh Southwest Rotary Club's project to combat Period Poverty was launched with the support of a \$3,000 Rotary District Grant. The project's primary objective was to provide access to feminine hygiene products for female students at Oshkosh North and Oshkosh West High Schools who face financial hardships. This initiative addressed the humanitarian need for equitable access to basic hygiene resources, enabling students to maintain their health, dignity, and focus on their education. Earlier this month, the remaining products were purchased and the grant was closed. Southwest Rotary will continue to monitor the inventory at the schools.



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.



Meal Serving at the Shelter

Wed., May 7 & Wed. June 4 | 5:30-7 p.m. Location: Day by Day Shelter Contact: Jessica Benesh, Sign up at the registration table or Jessica.Benesh@aah.org

Who are we helping: Day by Day Residents



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.