

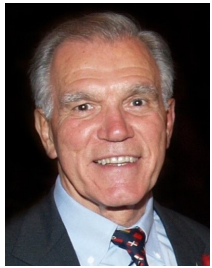


## ***TODAY'S MEETING***

**Dr. Angelo Capozzi, Rotaplast International**

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

**Rotaplast  
International**  
Saving smiles, changing lives.



Dr. Angelo Capozzi is a Board Certified Plastic Surgeon and co-founder of Rotaplast International. He graduated from Notre

Dame with his Bachelor of Science, followed by the Stritch School of Medicine at Loyola University in Chicago, then general surgery training at St. Francis Hospital in Evanston, IL. He completed his plastic surgery specialty at UW-Madison.

Capozzi served as a Captain in the US Air Force as Chief of Plastic Surgery at David Grant Air Force Hospital. He went into private practice in 1968 for 30 years, then became Chief of Plastic Surgery at Shriners Hospital for Children in CA.

In 1971, Capozzi became a member of the San Francisco Rotary Club and now belongs to Tiburon/Belvedere Rotary Club. He and PDG Peter Lagarias founded Rotaplast International in collaboration with the Rotary Club of San Francisco to facilitate a surgical program in La Derena, Chile. This initial historic mission in Janu-

ary 1993 treated children with the cleft lip and palate anomaly, who would otherwise not receive surgical intervention.

As a project of the Rotary Club of San Francisco, and for the first three years of its existence, Rotaplast completed one surgical mission a year. The following two years, Rotaplast completed two missions a year. In 1996, Rotaplast became a separate nonprofit corporation and has since expanded its annual missions.

In December 2023, Rotaplast sent its 258th mission and has served more than 21,000 patients in 26 countries.

Capozzi now devotes his practice to humanitarian medicine and international service. He's been on 76 international trips with Rotaplast and currently serves as Rotaplast's Medical Director and International Committee Chair.

### ***Words of Inspiration***

TBD—June 4

Tom Hallquist—June 11

### ***Greeters***

Jessica Benesh & Kristopher Ulrich—June 4

Joe McCleer & Siri & Graham Pollnow—June 11

## **Rotary Friendship Exchange**



The Rotary Friendship Exchange program is in full swing. Rotary is sending about a dozen members to Peru to visit Rotarians there from May 17-26, 2025.

**We need dedicated host families to welcome Peruvian Rotarians** to our District from August 2-11, 2025. Hosting is typically only for a few days, and is a rewarding experience that allows you to share our local culture, build international friendships, and showcase the best of what our community has to offer.

**We are also looking for Ten Rotarians to go on a Rotary Friendship Exchange to Argentina** in December 2025. The RFE will start in Buenos Aires and then to another area of the outbound Rotarian's interest. Rotarians may bring their spouse or significant other. Rotarians that have never been on an RFE will have priority.

If you have interest in the RFE, contact District 6270 RFE Chairman, Randy Helbach, as soon as possible at [randyhelbach@hotmail.com](mailto:randyhelbach@hotmail.com). Click [HERE](#) for more information.

## Service Opportunities



### Highway Clean Up

*Saturday, June 7, Arrive at 8:30 a.m.*

*Meet at Girbau North America, 2500 State Rd 44*

*Sign up at the Registration Table*

Rotarians and guests are welcome to come out to help clean up our Adopt-A-Highway-sponsored section of Hwy. 44. Volunteers will meet at Girbau North America parking lot to get a safety vest and start clean up. Please wear appropriate clothing for the weather and remember that the grass may be damp yet from morning dew, so consider wearing shoes that can get wet. Gloves are also recommended.

### 4th of July Parade

*Friday, July 4, 8:30 a.m.*

*Meet at Corner of Waugoo and North Main*

*Sign up at the Registration Table*

Southwest Rotary leads the parade handing out flags before the parade starts. Step off time is approximately 8:45 a.m. Volunteers are needed to hand out flags (children and grandchildren welcome) and carry the banner in front of our vehicle. Contact Dick Casey for details.



### Flying Rotarians Picnic

*Monday, July 21,*

*12-1:30 p.m.*

*EAA Nature Center*

*Pavilion, 1157 Galatin Ave*



### The Gathering

*Thursday, July 24, 4-10 p.m.*

*EAA Eagle Hangar, 300 Poberezny Rd.*

25 volunteers are needed. This service project provides us free use of the EAA Nature Center for the Flying Rotarians Picnic.



### Oshkosh Back 2 School Fair

*Oshkosh North H.S. 1100 W. Smith Ave.*

*Tues., Aug. 12 | 10 a.m.-3 p.m.— Set up*

*Wed., Aug. 13 | 12-6 p.m.— Fair guides*

*Thur., Aug. 14 | 10 a.m.-4 p.m.— Fair guides*

*Click [HERE](#) to register or contact Kaci Casey at 920-410-3082 or Rebecca Hackett at 920-420-1848.*

### Beautification Awards



Southwest Rotary is looking for houses for its Beautification Awards. If you know of houses with gardens that have a great spring bulb or flowering tree display, please contact Tom Hallquist at [Tom.Hallquist@gmail.com](mailto:Tom.Hallquist@gmail.com).

## Club Social & Volunteer Opportunities



### 2025 Changing of the Guard

*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.*

*Cost: \$30 per person*

*Contact: Karen Boehm, [kboehm@lourdes.today](mailto:kboehm@lourdes.today)*

*Sign up at the Registration Table*

Changing of the Guard is an event to honor and celebrate our outgoing president, Erik, and the work he's done to advance Oshkosh Southwest Rotary. It's an opportunity to honor fellow Rotarians for their outstanding service and get a sneak peek of the upcoming year.

### Wanted: PR Volunteer

Are you savvy with social media? Do you enjoy sharing inspiring messages? Would you like to help promote the exciting work Southwest Rotary is doing? If so, please contact Karen Boehm at 920-379-8399 or [kboehm@lourdes.today](mailto:kboehm@lourdes.today) to learn more about a public relations volunteer opportunity.