

SPOKES

The weekly newsletter of the Oshkosh Rotary Club

A Proud Tradition of Service Leadership

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February 1, 2010:

Call to Order: Larry Schultz, President
Prayer & Pledge: Melissa Kohn
Today's Program: Printing a Newspaper in the Technology Age
Today's Speaker: Stew Rieckman



January 25, 2010:

Larry Schultz, President, opened the meeting and welcomed all Rotarians and guests.
John Kerrigan led the club in the opening prayer & pledge.

VISITORS AND GUESTS: *Introduced by Dan Schoenrock, Sergeant-at-Arms*

Southwest Rotary- Barb Herzog; Randi Smith.
Morning Rotary- None
Out of Town Visitors- None
Guests of Our Club- Fredrick Mazyck (military service member); Randy Asman (speaker); Alyssa Fees (student guest); Daniela Ayala (exchange student).
Guests of Members- Sandy Ansfield, guest of Paul Ansfield.

Dan Schoenrock reported that on this date in 1915, Alexander Graham Bell inaugurated US transcontinental telephone service; in 1947, gangster Al Capone died at age 48; in 1971, Charles Manson and three female followers were convicted of murder and conspiracy in the 1969 slayings of 7 people, including actress Sharon Tate; and in 1994, Michael Jackson settled a child molestation case against him. Alicia Keys turns 29 today; Etta James is 72; Virginia Woolf was born in 1882; and Scottish national poet Robert Burns was born in 1759. *Ed. note: while Dan did mention Robert Burns briefly, he failed to mention that January 25th is a day celebrated by Scots near and far – with the traditional dinner, starting with cock-a-leekie soup, then the Piping of the Haggis (served with neeps and tatties), all accompanied by plenty of Burns songs, poems, and good Scottish whisky. Happy Burns Day to all Scottish Rotarians – including the current RI President, John Kenny!*

JANUARY RAFFLE:

Lori Renning announced that the monthly raffle had reached \$160; Karen Schibline was the lucky winner.

GOOD NEWS/HAPPY DOLLARS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

(Contributions are made to Friends of the Oshkosh Senior Center and the Oshkosh Food Bank.)

- Lurton Blassingame congratulated the United Way, with a special credit to Sue Panek, which was recognized at last week's Martin Luther King Day dinner for its efforts to further the goals of Dr. King.
- Bill Calhoun scooped a press release that we'll be seeing later this week announcing that the Affinity cardiologists, including Drs. Al-Bitar and Al-Nouri, will shortly be providing cardiology coverage to the local Aurora hospital as well as to Mercy. This cooperative effort is unprecedented, and bodes well for health care of Oshkosh residents.
- Emphasizing the need for this kind of local cooperation, Sue Panek recalled that, two years ago now, her husband Rick suffered a heart attack, and was quickly treated at Mercy; she has friends who had to wait hours for similar treatment at the other hospital, a significant issue with a "time is of the essence" health condition.
- Lori Renning reminded members of today's blood drive, noon to 6 pm at Algoma Blvd. Methodist Church; she said that, to address long waiting lines in recent months, the Red Cross was triple staffing this month. Blood collected goes to the need in the local community first, then to the State of Wisconsin, and any excess over that amount is going to the Haitian relief effort. Lori also recalled her Hoosier roots and gave a shout-out for the Colts' playoff victory yesterday; she also announced that the baby she and Tony are expecting in May is a girl.
- Teresa Van Aacken was proud that Evan, her 8-year-old son, cleaned up with medals at a recent gymnastics meet in Milwaukee, including a gold all-around award.
- Daniela Ayala reported that her trip to Washington D.C. with other Lourdes students has occurred, and thanked members for their financial support of her trip. She pronounced it, "a very good experience."
- Michael Cooney announced that the Club Directory will be available either next week or the week after; inserts will be provided for those who want to re-use their binders from last year, and a .pdf version of the info is also available.
- Michael also announced that checks for the Shelter Box for Haiti should be made out to: "Oshkosh Rotary Club Endowment", and sent to the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation, 230 Ohio St., Oshkosh 54902.
- Cathy Zimmerman thanked members for their generosity for the Shelter Box fundraising effort, and said that we have already raised enough for one Shelter Box, and are on the way to two. She reminded us that the Haitian people will be living in temporary housing for months, so this remains a vital need.
- President Larry Schultz announced that Southwest Rotary will be meeting next week at the Boys & Girls Club, not their usual location at Robbins.

MILITARY SERVICE MEMBER GUEST:

Glenn Steinbrecher introduced 1st Class Petty Officer Fredrick Mazyck, USN. He was born in Jacksonville, N.C., where his dad was stationed; his father and an uncle served in the Marines, and earlier family members had also served in the military. His direction in life after high school was uncertain; he credits the Navy, and the way of life he learned there, with making him a better person. He was a firefighter for 13 of his almost-20 years in the Navy, serving in Desert Storm. He became boat engineer qualified, and then served on the "mighty Harry S. Truman", a huge aircraft carrier war vessel. His home port had been Norfolk, VA, for many years. He joined the Navy in part for the opportunities to travel and experience other cultures, and valued his time on the Harry S. Truman. He then became a hometown recruiter in NC, and enjoyed the work so much that he converted to career counseling. He has a family, and says he knew that they would always be taken care of, even if something ever happened to him. He is looking forward to his retirement this year, and has already enrolled in college, through the GI Bill, pursuing a career in human resources.

January 25, 2010 – MEETING REVIEW:

Speaker: Randy Asman
Title: Highway 41 – Connecting Wisconsin & Roundabouts

Jeff Gilderson-Duwe introduced Randy Asman, a traffic engineer with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. Randy has been closely involved with the Hwy 41 reconstruction project. In Winnebago County, the project runs from Hwy 26 to Breezewood. During the construction, two lanes will remain open in each direction. The main road is being expanded from 4 to 6 lanes, and the Butte-des-Morts Causeway will have 8 lanes.

There are 44 roundabouts planned for the newly reconstructed highway stretch. Roundabouts are the opposite of traffic circles. They produce a significant decrease in motor vehicle accidents at intersections. Nationwide, roundabouts reduce intersection accident rates by 39%. Their use produces a 76% reduction in crashes with injuries, and a 90% reduction in fatal crashes. The challenges perceived by drivers about using roundabouts can be overcome with awareness – presentations in the community like the one to the club today – and education. The latter efforts include an online video, driver's handbook and the addition of a question on the written driver's test. F

For everything you wanted to know about roundabouts, check out the DOT's website dedicated to the subject, www.wisconsinroundabouts.gov.

4-Way Test:

The Four-Way Test was recited to conclude the meeting.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

January 28, 2010 Oshkosh Chamber's Business Expo, 10 am-7pm, Oshkosh Convention Center, admission free w/ business card or \$5 without

January 31, 2010 "Sunday Serendade", Water City Chamber Orchestra, 2:30 pm, First Congregational Church.

February 5, 2010 "Patchwork – the Little House Life of Laura Ingalls Wilder", 9:30 am & 12:30 pm, Alberta Kimball Auditorium.

February 18, 2010 Oshkosh Chamber's Economic Outlook Breakfast, contact Karen Boehm at Chamber for info.

March 20, 2010 "Is Oshkosh Smarter than a 5th Grader?", 4-6 pm, Lourdes High School.

May 14-16, 2010 Rotary District 6270 Conference, Green Bay, details at www.catchtherotaryball.org

June 20-23, 2010 Rotary International Convention, Montreal, Quebec, CA, details at the RI website, link from ours.

	FUTURE MEETINGS:	PRAYER & PLEDGE/GREETER:
Feb 8	Winnebago County Day Report Center	Sherry Lynch
Feb 15	OACF & Community Visioning Process	Gregg Underheim
Feb 22	The Theory of Everything: The Built Environment & Human Behavior	Kathy Markofski

*Message from the editor: Like my predecessor, I am shorthand-challenged. I apologize for any errors when reporting announcements, good news, happy dollars, etc. It would be helpful, and reduce my reporting errors, if you would email or provide me a hand-written copy of the information that you would like to see in **Spokes**. Thanks for your cooperation. – Alyson Zierdt*

Four Avenues of Service

The term "Four Avenues of Service" refers to the four elements of the Object of Rotary: Club Service, Vocational Service, Community Service and International Service.

Although the Avenues of Service are not found in any formal part of the constitutional documents of Rotary, many Rotarians use this concept to describe the primary areas of Rotary activity.

Club Service involves all of the necessary activities Rotarians perform to make their club function successfully. Things like taking attendance, keeping records and raising money come under this Avenue of Service.

Vocational Service describes the opportunity each Rotarian has to represent the dignity and utility of one's vocation to the other members of the club, as well as the responsibility of the club to undertake projects related to such areas as career planning, vocational training, and the promotion of high ethical standards in the workplace.

Community Service pertains to those activities that Rotarians undertake to improve the quality of life in their community. It frequently involves assistance to youth, the aged, the disabled, and others who look to Rotary as a source of hope for a better life. When we are volunteer readers at Lincoln School, when the club pays to send grade school students to the symphony, when we raise money for the Literacy Council we walk this Avenue of Service.


The Fourth Avenue of Service, International Service, describes the many programs and activities that Rotarians undertake to advance international understanding, goodwill, and peace. International service projects are designed to meet humanitarian needs of people in many lands. Our most obvious international service is our connection with the orphanage in La Molina, Peru. Half the money from our table goes toward the eradication of polio through RI's Polio Plus effort. So even here in Oshkosh we are working internationally through the connection of Rotary.

When a Rotarian understands and travels down the Four Avenues of Service, the Object of Rotary takes on an even greater meaning.

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R-O-T-A-R-Y
That spells Rotary!

R-O-T-A-R-Y
Is known on land and sea!
From North to South

From East to West
(S)he profits most
Who serves the best
R-O-T-A-R-Y
That spells Rotary

2009-2010 Leadership

Rotary International

John Kenny, **President**
Learn more at www.rotary.org

District 6270 Officers

William Wresch, **District Governor**
Paul Decker, **District Governor-Elect**
Nancy Rhodes, **District Governor-Nominee**

Oshkosh Rotary Board:

Club Officers:

Larry Schultz, **President**
Teresa Van Aacken, **President-Elect**
Lisa O'Halloran, **President-Nominee**
Sherry Lynch, **Secretary**
James Stahl, **Treasurer**
Dan Schoenrock, **Sergeant at Arms**
Steve Schudlach, **Past President**

Club Directors:

Directors serve three-year terms. The Board meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:30 a.m.

Steve Arndt (2010)
Casey Zaniewski (2010)
Alyson Zierdt (2010)
Paul Narveson (2011)
John Schatz (2011)
Bill Bracken (2011)
Jeff Gilderson-Duwe (2012)
Petra Roter (2012)
Karen Schibline (2012)

Key Contacts

Alyson Zierdt, **Spokes editor**
Lori Renning, **Fundraising director**
W. Robert Bruce, **Pianist**

Four Areas of Service (Directors)

Club Service
To be determined.
Community Service
To be determined.
Vocational Service
To be determined.
International Service
To be determined.

Oshkosh Rotary Club Past District Governors

Cathy Zimmerman (2003-2004)
John Kerrigan (1999-2000)
A. John Wiley (1994-1995)
Charles F. Nolan (1972-1973)
Frederick L. Caudle (1965-1966)
George Nevitt (1952-1953)
Jasper Lockart (1933-1934)

meeting make-up schedule

To view all District 6270 club schedules, visit www.Rotary6270.com or visit www.RotaryClubOne.org to make up a meeting at any time.

Monday	7:15 a.m.	Appleton Breakfast	Riverview Country Club
Monday	Noon	Fond du Lac	Holiday Inn
Monday	5:30 p.m.	Berlin	Berlin Family Restaurant
Tuesday	12:10 p.m.	Appleton	Paper Valley Hotel
Wednesday	Noon	Oshkosh Southwest	Robbins
Wednesday	Noon	Menasha	Waverly Beach
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	Fond du Lac Morning	Ramada Hotel
Thursday	Noon	Neenah	Valley Inn
Friday	7:00 a.m.	Oshkosh Morning	City Center Hotel
Friday	Noon	Appleton West	Holiday Inn

Rotary 4-Way Test

- 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?

