

SPOKES

The weekly newsletter of the Oshkosh Rotary Club

A Proud Tradition of Service Leadership

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October 26, 2009:

Call to Order: Larry Schultz, President
Prayer & Pledge: Dan Schoenrock
Today's Program: Council for Innovation
Today's Speaker: Paul A. Jones



October 19, 2009:

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

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

Southwest Rotary- Gregg Garl, Bill Thimke, District Governor Bill Wresch, Assistant District Governor Karen Fredrick.
Morning Rotary- None
Out of Town Visitors- None
Guests of Our Club- Taylor Cameron (student guest); Daniela Ayala (exchange student), Military guests Sgt. 1st Class Joseph McGuigan and Capt. Chester, USA.

Guests of Members-

Dan Schoenrock reported that on this date in 1960, the US imposed an embargo on exports to Cuba, and in 1987, the US stock market crashed. It's the 42nd birthday of Amy Carter, daughter of President Jimmy Carter.

MILITARY GUESTS: *Introduced by Glenn Steinbrecher*

Glenn introduced Sgt. 1st Class Joseph McGuigan and his commanding officer, Capt. Chester, USA. Each of the men shared a bit about their military careers, and their pride and enthusiasm for service in the U.S. Army.

FUNDRAISING REPORT:

Lori Renning informed us that the 50/50 raffle is up to \$110. Plans for the New Year's Eve Gala are proceeding; Lori is still looking for more committee members, as well as for sponsors of the event. The "Grand Pizza Cookoff", the event sponsored by all of the service clubs to help the Grand, is taking place on Saturday, November 7th, 12-4 at the Wagner Opera House, 502 N. Main. Lori said that the flyer for the event will be on the website. OCM cards are still being sold; Lori will have them at the registration table after the meeting.

GOOD NEWS/HAPPY DOLLARS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

- Byran Bartow celebrated the 9th birthday of his twin sons.
- John Schatz apologized for not sending out last week's *Spokes* due to a (rare for John) "senior moment".
- Jeff Gilderson-Duwe announced that Brian Leahy Doyle will speak about his new book, *Encore!: The Renaissance of Wisconsin Opera Houses*, at the Library tomorrow evening, October 20th, at 7 pm. Apple Blossom Books will donate a portion of the proceeds from sale of the book tomorrow evening to the Grand.
- Bill Thimke reported that the new soy cow is "almost" in Lima; a newly required form is the culprit in the delayed delivery.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

President Larry Schultz reminded us of the Rotary District 6270 Fall Seminar this Saturday, October 24th, in Hartford. See the article in the October 19th *Spokes* for more details; contact Teresa Van Aacken if you're planning to attend and want to carpool.

He is still looking for a club member to help/eventually take over from Kim Molitor, working with our exchange student program.

Larry then introduced Karen Fredrick, Assistant District Governor, and Bill Wresch, District Governor and our speaker.

October 19, 2009 – MEETING REVIEW:

Speaker: District 6270 District Governor Bill Wresch

District 6270 Governor Bill Wresch gave a brief plug to the 2010 District 6270 Conference, May 14-16 in Green Bay. He complimented Assistant District Governor Karen Fredrick and Southwest Rotarian Wendy Hielsberg for negotiating a great conference rate, and asked for our club's help on the event, which is being sponsored by Oshkosh Southwest Rotary.

District Governor Wresch said that he wanted to congratulate our club, first for the New Year's Eve Party, which he described as a "community event", and then for our scholarship program. The focus of our program on "at risk" students, plus the mentoring component, were things that he thought could make a real difference with those students, even being a factor in combating suicide in an age group that has seen a grim rise in numbers, which the academic community believes is related to increased financial stress on account of the overall economy.

He also complimented our efforts to comply with the RI Polio Plus "final inch" effort. Since RI decided to eliminate the disease worldwide in 1988, the cases have gone from 350,000 new cases per year to 700 cases overall. He told us that Bill Gates came to the RI District Governors' Training event last January in San Diego and delivered another check, this one for \$250 million, bringing the Gates contribution through RI to \$350 million. The other reason Gates attended the event was to meet personally with Rotary leaders from Nigeria, one of the countries that still has cases of polio. Gates himself has become involved with inoculating children in India, and plans to do so in Nigeria, as well. We were reminded that we have to finish the job, and reach complete eradication of the disease.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

October 24, 2009	Rotary District 6270's Fall Seminar, "Rotary: Eradicating POLIO ... PLUS a Whole Lot More" [see October 19 th <i>Spokes</i> issue for details].
November 1, 2009	Oshkosh Chamber Singers Concert, "Made in America", UWO Music Hall, 7:30 pm.
November 6, 2009	Spa Afternoon 2009, 1:30-4:30 @ Fox Valley Plastic Surgery & Renaissance Medispa, benefit for Clarity Care's "Help at Home" program
November 7, 2009	Grand Pizza Cookoff, Combined Service Clubs fundraiser for the Grand, 12-4, Wagner Opera House, 502 N. Main.
November 7, 2009	Gallery Walk.
November 9, 2009	Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting & Recognition Night, Oshkosh Convention Center.

	FUTURE MEETINGS:	PRAYER & PLEDGE/GREETER:
Nov 2	Oshkosh Bridge Lighting Project	Mark Harris
Nov 9	Sawdust City Slickers Barbershop Quartet	Gordon Hintz
Nov 16	Camp Invention – Science Inquiry Project at OASD	Rich Kern

4-Way Test:

Bill Wresch led the club in the Four-Way Test to conclude the meeting.

*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.

From the District newsletter October 2006

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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?

