



## Southwest Rotary Around the World

Southwest Rotary Club of Oshkosh takes Rotary's "Service Above Self" motto beyond Oshkosh to other continents thanks to several members who help coordinate international service efforts. Following is an update on one of our projects from fellow Rotarian, Samuel Muinde. Currently, there are more than ten different projects in Kenya, Africa, that have been successfully completed primarily with funding from our Rotary club. The current project involves installing a fence around the Kaliluni Girls Secondary School to protect the students.

*By Samuel Muinde*



The safety and protection of the Kaliluni Girls Secondary School has been one of the most thrilling and gratifying projects under the Kaliluni Related Projects that my committee has ever undertaken. The fencing project will cover the entire perimeter of the Kaliluni Girls Secondary School compound which is slightly over one mile long.

There are two different crews working on this project. One crew is involved in clearing all the trees and bushes in the path of the new fence and constructing the fence. The second crew is composed of masons, who are building an eight-foot-tall wall built with quarry stones around and behind the girls' dormitories.

When the wall and fencing projects are all done, 10,000 seedlings of a thorny tree shrub common to the area will be planted all along the finished fence and wall. These plants will not only add to the security of any animal or person breaching the wall, but will also grow tall and add an ornamental beauty to the fence.

Since 1972, the Kaliluni Girls Secondary School, has been the beneficiary of six acres of land to build the school thanks to the generosity of Kitz & Pfeil Tours (Jim Staple and his dear Parents), Oshkosh Southwest Rotary, The Mosling Family of Oshkosh Truck, Lutheran Church of Oshkosh, Trinity Episcopal Church of Oshkosh, 4imprint, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Muinde Soo.

This project has provided employment to many families within the Kaliluni Villages. Families have been

**TODAY'S MEETING**  
**Peter Bosch**  
**Rotary District Governor**  
**Oshkosh Convention Center**  
**South Breakout Room**



Peter Bosch, District Governor for Rotary International District 6270, will provide an update to the Southwest Rotary Club of Oshkosh.

Bosch has held a number of roles within his club and the District, most recently as Rotary Club of Waukesha President 2019-2020; Assistant District Governor for Area M (Hartland-Lake Country, Waukesha, and Waukesha Sunrise); and as a member of the District Technology Committee.

able to afford school fees for their children, as well as other family necessities. It is estimated that the project will be finished sometime this month (August 2024). On behalf of the 20,000+ people of the Kaliluni villages, I continue to give thanks to God, for all my friends in the Oshkosh community and beyond, who generously have supported the people of the Kaliluni villages.

### Photo Captions

1. *Sam Muinde stands next to the old fence.*
2. *Workers dig a trench for the new fence.*
3. *A crew of masons begins construction on an 8-foot wall around the school.*
4. *Kaliluni Girls Secondary School*

**Service Opportunities**



**Pups on the Runway**  
Benefitting the Day by Day Shelter

**Date:** Thur., Sep. 12

**Time:** 5-8 p.m.

**Location:** Becket's Atrium

**Volunteer:** Visit

[volunteeroshkosh.org](http://volunteeroshkosh.org) or scan the QR code

Volunteers are needed for Pups on the Runway. The event will raise funds for Phoenix the facility dog at the Day by Day Shelter. The event will feature a dog and pet parent fashion show, local author book signing, raffles, Dog Expo and more. Funds will be used for Phoenix's vet care, food, supplies, etc.



**Day by Day Shelter Meal**

**Date:** Wednesday, September 18

Monday, November 4

**Time:** 5:30-7 p.m.

**Location:** Day by Day Shelter,  
420 Ceape Ave

**Register:** Contact Jessica Benesh  
More Details to Follow

**Parent Connection  
Christmas Party**

**Dates:** Tues., Dec. 10—Wrapping Party  
Wed., Dec. 11—Christmas Party  
with Families

**Time:** TBD

**Location:** Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh  
501 E. Parkway Ave.

**Register:** Contact Kristopher Ulrich  
More Details to Follow

**Club Social Opportunities**

**Oshkosh Chamber  
Business After Hours**

**Date:** Thursday, September 5  
4:30-6:30 pm

**Location:** Fox River Brewing Company  
1501 Arboretum Dr, Oshkosh

**Register:** Please email Brianna at  
[brianna@oshkoshchamber.com](mailto:brianna@oshkoshchamber.com)

**Cost:** Members—FREE  
Non-Members—\$20

Southwest Rotary is a member of the Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce. As a member, some benefits extend to Southwest Rotary Club members. Consider attending the Business After Hours monthly networking event.

**Paddles Up!  
Dragon Boat Races**

**Date:** Friday, September 13—Practice Day  
(Practice Time TBD)

Saturday, September 14—Race Day  
8 a.m.-4 p.m.

**Location:** Leach Amphitheater

**Register:** Contact Dan Lenz

Rotarians, families and friends are invited to join club members for the Dragon Boat Festival boat races. Oshkosh Southwest Rotary's team, "Paddling for Polio," will help raise



awareness of Rotary's efforts to end polio around the world. This is a great opportunity to get to know fellow club members. Dan Lenz will lead the sign up/information for our club. We need 20 paddlers to fill the boat for this exciting community event.

**Upcoming Words of Inspiration & Greeters At Our Weekly Meeting**

**Words of Inspiration**

**August 28**

Bill Thimke

**September 4**

Michael Raymond

**Greeters**

**August 28**

Mike Gibbs and Carissa Paul

**September 4**

Tess Domnie and Olson Legal Group

**Today's Meeting Location**

Oshkosh Convention Center  
South Breakout Rooms  
2 N Main Street



**SW Rotary Website**

[oshkoshrotarysouthwest.org](http://oshkoshrotarysouthwest.org)

**District 6270 Website**

[rotary6270.org](http://rotary6270.org)

**Rotary International Website**

[rotary.org](http://rotary.org)

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