



## TODAY'S MEETING

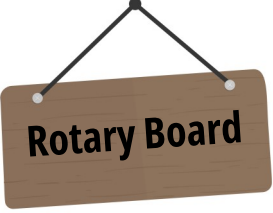
### Rotary's 5th Quarter

Oshkosh Convention Center  
North Breakout Rooms  
2 N. Main St.

Rotary Members, the 2024-2025 Rotary year is placing an emphasis on member engagement and satisfaction. Erik will facilitate some time for club members to grow together and get to know each other in a fun and enjoyable way.

Come with a willingness to interact and share who you are with the rest of our club members as we learn more about each other and get ready to serve in our community together.

4 p.m.  
**Monday, November 11**



**Rotary Board**

**Revs Bowl Bar & Grill**  
275 N Washburn St.

Join us for a club social at Revs immediately following the Board Meeting. See page 2 for details.

## Rotary Updates

### Service Above Self

Rotary's Service Above Self Award honors Rotarians — and now also Rotaractors — who help others by volunteering their time and talents. Only district governors can nominate candidates for this award, and up to 150 recipients are selected each year. If you know someone who has demonstrated exemplary service, contact District Governor Peter Bosch to suggest a nominee for one of Rotary International's highest distinctions in service. The deadline to nominate is **October 31**. Click [HERE](#) to contact Peter Bosch.

### Rotary TriCon



Join Rotarians from Districts 6220, 6250 and 6270 for TriCon, April 25-26, 2025 in Brookfield. Rotary is a collection of over 1.4 million dedicated people who share a passion for community service and friendship. TriCon brings together the members from three districts in the UP of Michigan, a portion of Minnesota and the majority of Wisconsin. Together, TriCon participants learn; are inspired and grow through the interactive workshops; listen to keynote speakers and take advantage of the many networking opportunities. TriCon registration opens December 9. Click [HERE](#) for details or to register.

## Foundations Serve Greater Good

Last week Craig Burnett and Dave Omachinski enlightened the club on how the Rotary International Foundation and the Richard Ames Foundation are serving the mission of Rotary. Following is a recap from their talk.

### Craig Burnett—[Rotary International Foundation](#)

The Rotary Foundation started in 1917 with the net proceeds of that year's Rotary Convention (\$26.50). That endowment became the Rotary International Foundation, now valued over \$1.33 billion. It supports Rotary's seven areas of focus including:

- Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution
- Disease Prevention and Treatment
- Water and Sanitation
- Maternal and Child Health
- Basic Education and Literacy
- Economic and Community Development
- Environment

Southwest Rotary members have contributed \$345,108 since the club was founded.

### Dave Omachinski—[Richard Ames Fund](#)

In 1999, five Rotary members, with the help of the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation, started an endowment fund at OACF to support local organizations and causes that align with Rotary's mission. The fund was named after one of our club's founding members, Richard Ames. Some of the projects supported by the Fund include COTS, Community for Hope and the refurbishing of Little Oshkosh.

Most members contribute to both funds through their annual dues.

**Get Involved—Club Service Opportunities**

**Day by Day Shelter Meal**



**Date:** Monday, November 4  
**Time:** 5:30-7 p.m.  
**Location:** Day by Day Shelter  
 420 Ceape Ave  
**Register:** Contact Jessica Benesh

**Hope Rising: A Night of Gratitude**

**Date:** Thurs., Nov. 14 @ 6 p.m.  
**Location:** The Waters  
**Register:** To volunteer, email  
 information@communityforhope.org

Volunteers are needed to assist with set up and games at *Hope Rising: A Night of Gratitude*, a special event put on by The Community for Hope. The event will feature speakers, jazz music, food, silent auction and games to benefit Community for Hope and Suicide Prevention. Chris Prochut will emcee the event.

**Friendsgiving Meal**

**Dates:** Thurs., Nov. 21 @ 5-7 p.m.  
**Location:** Tiny House Village  
 125 W. Packer Ave.  
**Register:** Contact Jessica Benesh or sign up at the Registration Table



We are looking for fellow Rotarians to help serve a special Friendsgiving meal at the Tiny House Village.

**OACP Stock the Shelves**

**Date:** Mon., Nov. 25  
 First shift: 2-4 p.m.  
 Second shift: 4-6 p.m.  
**Location:** Oshkosh Area Community Pantry  
 2551 Jackson St  
**Register:** Contact Jessica Benesh or sign up at the Registration Table



Join fellow club members as we stock the shelves at OACP. Look for the sign up at the registration table.

**Parent Connection Christmas Party**

**Dates:** Tues., Dec. 10—Wrapping Party  
 Wed., Dec. 11—Christmas Party with Families  
**Time:** 5:30-7 p.m. (both evenings)  
**Location:** St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, 808 N. Main St.  
**Register:** Contact Kristopher Ulrich or Siri Pollnow, Co-Chairs

**How can you help?**

- **Volunteer on one or both nights.** Sign up at registration.
- **Donate a book.** Each child from newborn to high school receives a new book at the event. Books will be collected at meetings or can be dropped off at McCleer Law, 128



State Street, Oshkosh.

- **Support the event.** Sponsor a child, donate to the event or help shop for gifts. Click [HERE](#) to access the Sponsorship Form.

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

**Words of Inspiration**

**October 30**  
 Sarah Danahy

**November 6**  
 Eric Smiltneek

**Greeters**

**October 30**  
 Barb Herzog and Tom Weber

**November 6**  
 Joe McCleer and Carissa Paul

**Today's Meeting Location**

Oshkosh Convention Center  
 North Breakout Rooms  
 2 N. Main St.

**Club Social Opportunities**

**Veterans Day Social**

**Date:** Monday, November 11  
 5:15-7 p.m. (following the board meeting)  
**Location:** Revs Bowl Bar & Grill  
 275 N. Washburn St.  
**Cost:** FREE

Club socials are a great way to meet fellow Rotarians and celebrate the "Magic of Rotary." Come early and sit in on the board meeting beginning at 4 p.m. to learn more about leadership opportunities within our club.