The Hub





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Every Small Act of Kindness Reshapes the World In Immeasurable Ways

TODAY'S MEETING

Kelly Hinz and Elissa Kraynik
Parent Connection
Marriott Oshkosh Waterfront Hotel
Athearn Ballroom C—1 N. Main St.



Kelly and Elissa from Parent Connection Family Services will share how their organiza-

tion strengthens families through education, support, and community programs. They will highlight their work in early childhood development, parenting classes, and resources that empower families to thrive. Additionally, they'll share a follow-up from the Parent Connection Christmas Party that took place last month, a cherished tradition where our Rotary members help spread holiday cheer to families in need. Join us to learn how Parent Connection is making a meaningful impact in our community!

Pass the Hat to Help Fire Victims

On Wednesday, January 15 and January 22, Southwest Rotary will be passing a hat for those in need in California. All funds collected will be donated to a Rotary Club in the Los Angeles area to help victims of the devastating wild fires.

Rotary Resolutions

Are you ready to make 2025 your best Rotary year ever and help contribute to our club's success? Here are a few things to check off your Rotary Resolution list.

1—Sell Tickets

Help raise valuable funds for Oshkosh Southwest Rotary to support scholarships, charitable organizations and international Rotary efforts, to name a few. Our club is currently selling Harley Raffle tickets and Battle on Bago tickets. Watch the newsletter for details.

2—Bring a Friend

If you enjoy the camaraderie, fellowship and service of Rotary, consider inviting a friend to experience it too. As membership grows, so do our opportunities to serve our community and care for those most in need.

3—Get Involved

There are many opportunities to lead, and your unique gifts are important to our club's success. If you're new to Rotary, consider signing up as a Greeter for a meeting, leading Words of Inspiration or helping at an event. You can also get involved in one of Rotary's areas of service, including Community, Club, International, Youth Services or Vocational. Learn more about Rotary committees and volunteer opportunities by contacting a Board member (see Board listing on page 2).

2024-2025 Board

PresidentErik GialdellaPresident ElectKaren BoehmPast PresidentKarlene LeathermanSecretaryKarlene LeathermanTreasurerKathy HansonSergeant-at-ArmsJim Chitwood

Avenues of Service

Community: Jessica Benesh, Dan Lenz **Club:** Nate Olson, Griffin Pollnow, Mike Vaughan

International: Nick Hahn, Bill Thimke
Youth Services: Brad Dunn, Joe McCleer
Vocational: Pat Hughes, Amy Montgomery

Committees

Foundation: Craig Burnett, Dave

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Membership: leva Engel **Programs:** Sarah Danahy **Public Relations:** Siri Pollnow

Greeters / Invocations: Michael Raymond

Environmental: Tom Hallquist **Fundraising:** Tyler Brefczynski, Tess Domnie, Luke Geoffrion, Michael

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Are you interested in becoming more involved in Rotary. Contact Karen Boehm at 920-379-8399 or kboehm@lourdes.today to learn more.



Upcoming Meeting Notes

Words of Inspiration

January 15

Karlene Leatherman

Greeters

January 15

Tess Domnie and Michael Raymond

Today's Meeting Location

Marriott Oshkosh Waterfront Hotel Athearn Ballroom C—1 N. Main St.

Battle on Bago Tickets Available

Battle on Bago raffle tickets are on sale now for \$20 each or 6 for \$100. Oshkosh Southwest Rotary keeps 100% of the revenue from tickets sold by club members! Each member is asked to sell at least 6 tickets to help fund scholarships and service projects.

Tickets will be drawn Feb. 15 at Battle on Bago. Winners do not need to be present to win. Prizes include a Ford F150 pick up truck and other items valued up to \$50,000. Pick up tickets at the weekly meetings.

Mark Your Calendars

Catalyst Workshop Fuel Your Rotary Club's Future

For all club and district leaders

January 25, 2025 | 8 am-12:30 pm

Milwaukee Area Technical College Mequon Campus

5555 West Highland Road, Mequon Light refreshments will be provided. Cost: No Charge

Whether your club needs a jump-start or fresh ideas to build on its strengths, the Rotary Catalyst Workshop is your opportunity to innovate and transform. Gain practical tools, network with other leaders, and leave with actionable strategies to make a difference.

Workshop Highlights:

- Member Engagement: Create dynamic, welcoming meetings that attract and retain members.
- Public Image: Share your story to build a stronger community presence.
- Service Projects: Discover new ideas to revitalize your service initiatives.
- Fundraising Success: Reimagine fundraising with innovative strategies.

Customize your experience by attending two of the four engaging 80-minute sessions tailored to your club's needs.

Click **HERE** for details or to register.