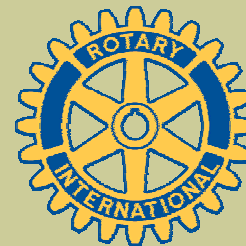


Owensboro's Rotary IMPETUS



Reminders & Announcements:

* Pat McFarling is program Chair for April.

* Thom Furgason will be at the Fellowship table in March.

* If you have an email address and you are not receiving the Impetus, contact Kim Carman at MediaWorks via email at kim@mediaworksadvertising.com.

* The District 6710 Annual Conference will be in Bowling Green May 18-20

The Rotary Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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Avenue of Service:

The Owensboro chapter of SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) is looking for counselors to assist small businesses. The SCORE chapter is housed at the Chamber of Commerce and sees clients on Wednesday mornings. Share your expertise with people that are getting started in the business world. To learn more, contact Jody Wassmer at the Chamber of Commerce at 926-1860.

Coming Programs:

- Mar. 7th: Teresa Barton— Deputy Secretary of Kentucky's Justice and Public Safety Cabinet
- Feb. 14: Mac Wall — KET
- Feb. 21: Sr. Michelle Morek, OSU, PhD. — Congregational Leader of the Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph
- Feb: 28: TBA

Your President Speaks:

I'm so proud of all of you—I know I should turn away from pride, especially during lent, but this is sincere pride that I share with you and our God, because of the work we did as a team in "finishing" the Big Owensboro Rotary PlayZeum Project. I was at the Museum last Sunday to play with the Kids and test the outside crawl-tube as I promised the city engineer Joe Schepers (it held all 235 lbs. of me with never even a wiggle). Aside from being impressed with the space and the structures, I was so pleased to see your hard work in raising nearly \$239,000 translated into the smiles on the faces of, not just the kids, but on the parents, grandparents and even the tweens who aren't supposed to have fun, but couldn't help cracking a smile or letting out a shriek as they slid down the long red slide with their hair in a static-electric do. It was great and there's still more room for more structures—the infant maze should be installed soon, leaving only a little open space. There will be more enhancements down the road...but what makes me grin the most is dreaming about what this club will do in the next year or ten years. We've got to finish our commitment to fund at least 5 wells in the Kaberamaido district in Uganda. After that? who knows...maybe we'll re-visit the second and third place ideas from the "Big Project" initiative and build the Cap Gardner Amphitheatre on the riverfront—just a thought and a challenge for you and this club. Have fun! - John