



Service above self...

# OWENSBORO'S ROTARY IMPETUS

...since 1915

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## Programs

### This Week's Program:

Rotaract Chartering Ceremony

### Upcoming Programs:

Apr. 14 James Robinson - Western KY  
Refugee Assistance Assoc.

## News & Announcements

- The Uganda Water Project Committee will meet this Wednesday, April 7, after the club meeting.
- Our District Conference will be held May 21-23, 2010, at nearby Santa Claus, IN. See **President Patty Ray** for registration information.

*Plan to attend, bring the family  
and experience the  
excitement of Rotary!*

*RI Convention 2010!*  
*Montreal, Canada*  
**June 20-23, 2010**

### Owensboro Rotarians!

If you are interested in attending this year's Rotary International Convention, please contact **Tom Smith** at 570-0554, thosasmith@gmail.com



## Your President Speaks...

What a special club assembly we had last week. We voted in two new board members, **Bill Barron** and **Levi Reames**, and re-elected an old one (not age, service), **Tom Smith**. These gentlemen will serve a two-year term on the board beginning July 1, 2010. It was a very tight race and we appreciate all the candidates who agreed to serve if elected.

Other highlights of the meeting...

- 1915 Society reminder: Don't forget this initiative to build up our Owensboro Rotary Foundation. Details are on our website or contact **Jeff Ebelhar**.
- Annual Fundraiser report: We netted over \$18,000 for the Owensboro Rotary Foundation!
- Fabulous Prize drawings for being present:
  - **Tom Gaston** won a Rotary T-Shirt
  - **Tyson Kamuf** won a Rotary International leather portfolio
  - **Drew Kirkland** won a certificate for free meals for a quarter
- **Dean Ehrenheim** gave an enthusiastic report from PETS (President Elect Training Seminar) which he attended in Nashville. A couple of things he emphasized were RI's PolioPlus Project and the World Equestrian Games to be held this fall. We will have volunteer opportunities during the games since Rotary is running the concessions.
- **Pat McFarling** presented information on the Rotary Foundation and encouraged members to review the brochures we had on the table. Pat explained the Paul Harris Fellow designation and reviewed the Every Rotarian Every Year program as well.
- Annual Gala (usually held in June): We discussed whether or not to have this annual dinner. Last year only 29 Rotarians attended and we spent around \$1,400. The club voted to explore other options such as a cookout.
- Big Project: Top vote getter was the Carousel. Regulations and stipulations on a Carousel's operation, however, may prove prohibitive. We will report back to the club after further investigation.
- Annual questionnaire about the club: If you were not there or didn't have time to fill one out, we have attached one to the electronic *Impetus* and will have copies available at the next few meetings. Please complete and return to me

Next week's program is the chartering of our Rotaract Club. Please come out and support these young people. I know its spring break, but not everyone is in Florida! REMEMBER – THE FUTURE OF ROTARY IS IN YOUR HANDS!

See you Wednesday, **President Patty**

## April is Magazine Month on the Rotary Calendar

Rotary World Magazine Press, made up of **The Rotarian** and 31 regional magazines in 25 languages, works tirelessly to keep Rotarians connected and informed. In honor of Magazine Month share your copy of **The Rotarian** with a friend. It's a great way to introduce Rotary to a potential new member. Also check out Rotary's other publications on the Rotary International website.



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**CLUB QUESTIONNAIRE ATTACHED!!**  
**If you did not fill out the questionnaire**  
**at last week's meeting, please print out,**  
**complete and return to President Patty Ray.**



2009/10  
Rotary International  
Theme

### *The 4-Way Test*

*Of the things we think, say or do:*

- *Is it the Truth?*
- *Is it fair to all concerned?*
- *Will it build good will and better friendships?*
- *Will it be beneficial to all concerned?*

### Rotary Reminders

- Don't forget to make up your missed meetings at Daviess County Rotary at Moonlite at 7 am on Tuesday.
- If you have an email address and are not receiving the *Impetus* online, or you have changed your email address, please send that information to [kim@mediaworksadvertising.com](mailto:kim@mediaworksadvertising.com).

Please mail any questions, suggestions, or comments regarding the *Impetus* to:

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[www.owensbororotary.org](http://www.owensbororotary.org)

### Meeting Information

**Meeting Time:**

Every Wednesday at 12:00 noon

**Meeting Location:**

Owensboro Country Club  
400 E. Byers Avenue  
Owensboro, Kentucky 42303

### 2009/10 Club Officers

President: Patty Ray  
Vice President: Dean Ehrenheim  
Past President: Tom Smith  
Secretary: David Silvert  
Treasurer: Kevin Schwartz

QUESTIONNAIRE

Rotarian Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ E Mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Please help make your Rotary Board of Directors and Officers aware of your opinions about the following Club issues and activities. Please place your name above and check one line to answer each item.

1) Name three things you would not change about the Owensboro Rotary Club

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2) Name three things you would change about the Owensboro Rotary Club

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3) Please name a good prospective Rotarian

\_\_\_\_\_ Contact at \_\_\_\_\_

4) What do you think of the quality of the Speakers Programs this year (July '09- present)?

\_\_\_\_ Improved    \_\_\_\_ About the Same    \_\_\_\_ Lower quality

5) Please give us a Program Idea

\_\_\_\_\_ Contact at \_\_\_\_\_

6) Please rate the quality of the Owensboro Country Club as a meeting space and meal provider:

\_\_\_\_ Excellent    \_\_\_\_ Good    \_\_\_\_ Fair    \_\_\_\_ Poor

7) What are you willing to do in service to help us be a Great Rotary Club?

\_\_\_\_ Join a committee    \_\_\_\_ Volunteer more    \_\_\_\_ Be a Board Member    \_\_\_\_ Be an Officer

8) What would be one piece of advice you would give the incoming President about the club for the upcoming year?

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Below are all of the Committees, Projects and ongoing Initiatives in which Owensboro Rotary is involved. To become a GREAT CLUB each of us is being asked to carry a share of the responsibility. As an active Rotarian it is incumbent that you place yourself on some Committee or group in order to satisfy the 'Service Above Self' creed of Rotary International. Time commitments on most are just a few quick meetings per year, normally held after Rotary on Wednesdays.

All current and former *Rookies* from this Rotary year are asked to *select two*, and all veteran members please pick *at least one*. If you are already a member of one, please check it here. Legends with over 30 years membership or if over age 80 are *exempt*, but of course everyone is very welcome to join and participate in any activities that you desire. The Club is seeking leadership for the Committees with no Chair listed. Make a note if you are interested in being a Chairman. *Thank you!!*

*If we all do a little.... it amounts to a lot!*

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| <b><u>Membership</u></b>             | <input type="checkbox"/> Speakers Programs                      | (Pres-elect, Chair)                             |
|                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Fellowship Table                       | (President, Chair)                              |
|                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> IMPETUS Newsletter/Website             | (Pat McFarling, Chair)                          |
|                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Club Directory/Photographer            | (Bob Morris, Chair)                             |
|                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Rookies Team Program                   | (Chris Poynter, John Kurtz, Counselors)         |
|                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Rotary Annual Gala                     | (President-Elect, Chair)                        |
|                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Legends Committee                      | (Donna Risley, Chair)                           |
|                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> New Membership Committee               | (Tish Correa-Osborne, Chair)                    |
|                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Rotary Leadership Institute            |   |
| <br><b><u>Local Projects</u></b>     | <br><input type="checkbox"/> College Loan Program               | <br>(Drew Kirkland, Chair)                      |
|                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Laswell Scholarship Program            | (John Kazlauskas, Chair)                        |
|                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Rotaract                               | (Randy Spaw/Tom Smith, Chairs)                  |
|                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Academy) |   |
|                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Salvation Army Bell Ringing            | (Paul Gilliam/Buddy Maddox, Co-Chairs)          |
|                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Hagar Awards Program                   | (Dean Ehrenheim, Chair)                         |
|                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Rotary Youth Fund                      | (Pat McFarling, Chair)                          |
| <br><b><u>Int'l Projects</u></b>     | <br><input type="checkbox"/> Ambassadors Scholars               | <br>(Steve Gardner, Chair)                      |
|                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Uganda Water Project                   | (Tom Smith, Chair)                              |
|                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Rotary Group Study Exchange Program    |   |
|                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Rotary Foundation                      | (Pat McFarling, Chair)                          |
|                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Paul Harris Fellows                    | (Past President, Chair)                         |
| <br><b><u>Special Committees</u></b> | <br><input type="checkbox"/> Annual Fund Raiser Committee       | <br>(President, Chair)                          |
|                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations Committee             | (Chris Poynter, Chair)                          |
|                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Owensboro Rotary Foundation Board      | (Past Presidents only, Jeff Ebelhar, Treasurer) |

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