



THE ROTARY RAZZ

Rotary Club of Oak Park - River Forest, Illinois

January meetings
Cucina Paradiso
Restaurant
814 North Blvd
Oak Park

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TODAY IN ROTARY January 9th, 2019

Meet with your fellow committee members during lunch today to prepare your reports for our Annual Meeting on Jan 16th

REMINDER

January meetings venue
Cucina Paradiso Restaurant
814 North Blvd in Oak Park.

There is a parking garage one block east of the restaurant as well as street parking.

ALSO, THIS WEEK IN ROTARY

January 10, 2019

Farewell and Good Luck, John [Williams]
Oak Park Township Senior Services
130 South Oak Park Avenue
Oak Park, IL 60302
2:00 PM
RSVP to Host Ashley Szeto
OP Township 708-383-8005

January 10, 2019

How It All Began:
The Story of Whole Foods
Walter Robb, Former CEO
Whole Foods Market
Thursday, January 10
6 PM - 8:30 PM
Thatcher Woods Pavilion
8030 Chicago Avenue, River Forest
Brought to you by the Rotary Clubs of
Maywood-Proviso, Oak Park - River Forest, and
Cicero Berwyn Stickney
Tickets are \$25.
Tickets are available through our club website.



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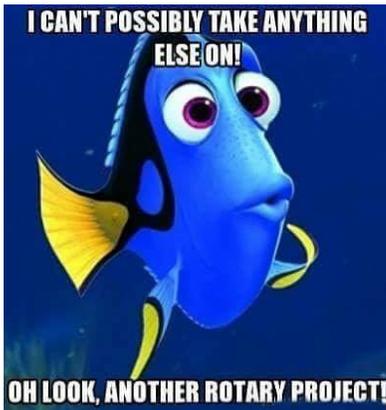
Sarah's Inn Mealmakers

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Outbound Youth Exchange "Reveal Party"

January 13, 2019

Interact Meets - OP Twp. Offices 1PM



No one "has time" for Rotary - but Rotarians always seem to find the time to do what we do, because of the personal satisfaction received from doing good for others!

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*President's Corner:
Rotary Regards
from President Cathy*



JANUARY IS VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH

Happy New Year Rotarians!!

As we renew personal resolutions for 2019, we have an opportunity to consider our Club goals now that we are six months into the Rotary year.

How would you gauge our progress as a Club?

As your president, I have sought to simplify and organize the Club to ensure its sustainability. I believe that adding transparency, clarity and outreach within our own Club leads to better member engagement. My third area of emphasis has been supporting the review of our membership structure. These goals are additive to continuing our traditions of international, community, youth and Foundation support.

January 16 is our Annual Meeting of members, where we'll officially take stock and reset as needed. We'll also receive nominations for 2019-20 leadership. It will be good to have a Club-wide discussion on where we are headed.

For my part, I see three primary challenges for the next six months. Most importantly, resolving our luncheon venue is the first order of business. This will segue into continued analysis of membership and embracing a membership structure works for both Rotarians and not-yet-Rotarians in the community.

The third challenge is continued emphasis on "Simply Rotary." Engaging with our Club is not as easy as it could be. We've made tremendous progress in six months but have a way to go. Website usage, sharing work efficiently within committees and documenting processes are areas I see for continued improvement.

I'm interested in your thoughts on where you want to see us go between now and July.

Wishing you
Peace and Prosperity,
President Cathy



JANUARY 2019

- 16 - OPRF Annual Meeting
- 23 - 10:45 Board Meeting
- 23 - David Seleb & Rob Simmons, Oak Park Public Library
- 30 - Nancy Fleming, "A New Campaign for a New Generation: HPV/Cervical Cancer Eradication"

Meeting Notes December 19th, 2018

"Welcome to our OPRF Rotary Holiday Luncheon! Let's give a rousing round of applause and 'Thank You' to Mary Ann Bender for arranging this lovely affair; to Lou Fabbri for collecting the money; and to Chef Gabriel Padilla for preparing our lunch."



The Pledge of Allegiance was saved for our next meeting. Ade Onayemi gave the Invocation.

A HUGE 'Thank You' to Mary Ann Bender for the gift of mugs with our Centennial logo set at each place. 'Look at those socks!' They represent the WARMTH of the season.

President Cathy shared that there would be no program other than the fellowship of good friends sharing a good meal and the offerings prepared and presented by our Rotary Glee Club.



Some of our guests - some of whom are pictured on page 3 - included spouses and family members of Rotarians: Myriam Escobar, Kathy Onayemi, Marilyn Giles, Lynne Williams, Grace Ewert, Jorge Olmos, Norma Fabbri, and Peter Eggerding as well as Miki Takabayashi and Rafael Batistella and Nicholas [guest of Amanda Young] from Japan. Grace and Tom Ewert also had a



guest with them. We apologize if we inadvertently omitted any of our welcome holiday guests.



A few more meeting photos:
Rotarians wearing their holiday "finest!"



Committees are needed to help put the Centennial Gala event together. Check the RAZZ weekly for task listings.

**OPRF Rotary Centennial Gala
Activities to Accomplish
June 29, 2019 Event**

What follows is a list of tasks that need to be completed for our Centennial Gala to be a success. **Those that are spoken for have the responsible**

party listed. Those still needing someone to step up to the plate have no name listed, are in bold blue type, and require volunteers to "help make the magic."

1. Confirm Save the Date card has been forwarded by District to all D6450 Club Presidents - Bob
2. Design invitations - Bob
3. Send invitations - need addresses for Districtwide Presidents, local dignitaries, District staff and leadership, OPRF Rotary Past Presidents and/or their families
4. Offer families of deceased OPRF Rotarians an opportunity to donate in their honor and memory - Sue
5. Solicit event sponsorships - Jim Lencioni
6. Create and send a request for financial support of event from other Clubs in District - Bob
7. Source a valet parking provider from contact info provided - Bob
8. Source a tent provider for cover-over exterior walkway into event venue from sources provided - Mike
9. Design event program and get it printed - Bill/Katie Planek
10. Sell ads in event program
11. Create a video of Club history to run during cocktail hour. Photo montage
12. Complete Club 100-year history book
13. Source a commemorative member gift - Bill Planek & Ruth McLaren
14. Create event attendee goodie bag - Christine Baissec-Hayden & Bill Planek
15. Event marketing and promotion - social media, Wednesday Journal - Marc, Nichole
16. Event decorations - room, lighting, centerpieces - Sue, Laura
17. Source, schedule and manage event volunteers - registration desk, selling bar tickets - Mary Ann Bender
18. Source a DJ for after dinner dancing or create a mix tape of dance music to play - Mike
19. Create day of event schedule and program agenda for presentations during the event
20. Secure and provide alcohol, wine and beer for 150 people - Bob, Lou
21. Secure and provide insurance certificate listing Dominican University as additional insured. - Mike

Let Robert Stelletello know ASAP how you can help.