

The Eye Opener



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LAST WEEK:

Guest: Tom Willadsen from the Downtown Club and Tom Goddard from Southwest Club.

Speaker:



Mequon/Thiensville Rotary Club's Bob Blazich told us about GUATEMALA MEDICAL RELIEF PROJECT.

The Guatemala Medical Relief Project (GMRP) completed a very successful mission to the remote southern Guatemala village of Oliveros this year.

Bob Blazich reports, "The official number of patients registered by GMRP this year was 1089. 1089!! To put that into perspective, we have seen 800-850 patients each of the previous three years after registering 675 in 2005, our first year. As our mission's reputation has grown, so has our reach. We had patients coming from as far as 30 miles away, as the crow flies, which means many of our patients traveled for hours to reach us."

The second record this year was the participation of Mequon-Thiensville Sunrise members and spouses in the GMRP.

One of the keys to GMRP's success this year was the availability of adequate electrical power. Again, MT Sunrise can take credit. With funding from our club and a Lobsterfest patron, Gordon Hetzel and two MT Sunrise members, Wally Sommer and Bob Blazich, traveled to

Oliveros in November, 2008, and completely rewired the school building which houses the GMRP clinic.

Bottom line? MT Sunrise Rotary makes a difference. The good people of Oliveros, Guatemala, may have never heard of us, but they know us well. And their remote village is a better place because of MT Sunrise Rotary.

Concrete the Concrete News: Last Friday Andy demonstrated a "strike box" and modified rules to speed the game during our tournament. Several members tried it and it is felt that this will improve our sprint tournament.

Evening Club Meeting / Social

Mark Nov. 19th from 5:45 to 6:45 at Becketts for a meeting / social. Bring a friend and bring your spouse.

Rotary News:

Grand Pizza Cook off is set for November 7th. \$10 ticket lets you taste and judge which is the best pizza in Oshkosh. Ticket sales benefit the repairs for the Grand Opera House and the Oshkosh Foundation will match the \$10 fee. Event starts at 11:30 a.m. at the Wagner Opera House.

Also, Kathy needs one more volunteer to help Saturday!

Christine Ann's wish list. don't forget to pick something up from the list emailed by Kathy for Dec. 18th.

THIS WEEK:

Amy Pietsch, FVTC Venture Center

SPEAKERS / PROGRAMS

November 13, 2009
Club Assembly
Conquer the Concrete

November 20, 2009
Stan Kline and
Wittman Airport
Economic Impact

November 27, 2009
NO MEETING
Day after
Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving

December 4, 2009
Patti Warmenhoven,
Junior Achievement

December 11, 2009
Open

December 18, 2009
Gift Wrapping **at**
Christine Ann
Center



December 25, 2009
Christmas Day
No Meeting

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