UKIAH ROTARY AND THE WORLD AFFAIRS SEMINAR

Dedicated to the advancement of international goodwill and peace through a better understanding of world problems, the WORLD AFFAIRS SEMINAR gives high school students the chance to study current world issues while at the same time providing the opportunity to discuss those issues with young people from the countries concerned. Emphasis is placed on promoting a better understanding of the causes of world conflict with the thought that if the causes are understood, world problems are more likely to be solved peacefully by our future world leaders.

The University of Wisconsin – Whitewater and Rotary District 6270 have been sponsoring the World Affairs Seminar since 1977 and Ukiah Rotary has sponsored a student scholarship to the World Affairs Seminar since 1989.

Following is a list of Ukiah Rotary Sponsored Attendees, and the Rotarian Selection Committee

Year Attendees Rotarians

1989 Tim Keefe

1990 ?

1991 Allison Bell John Slonecker, George Phelan, Frank Crane

1992 Morgan Geiger Tim Beversdorf, George Phelan, Frank Crane

1993 Elisabeth Reese Tim Beversdorf, George Phelan, John Slonecker

1994 Sam Kircher George Phelan, John Slonecker, Frank Crane

1995 Jasmine Olson George Phelan, John Slonecker, Frank Crane,

1. Oscar Rameriz George Phelan, John Slonecker, Frank Crane
2. Brian McCarty George Phelan, Frank Crane
3. Ryan Mack George Phelan, John Slonecker
4. Lila Buckley George Phelan, John Slonecker, Frank Crane
5. Molly McCalla George Phelan, John Slonecker, Frank Crane
6. Sarah Smally George Phelan, John Slonecker, Frank Crane
7. Andrew Huey, Josanna Higgins—So Club George Phelan, John Slonecker, Cheryl Scovel
8. Natasha Hill George Phelan, John Slonecker, Janice Tappin
9. Dan Roberts George Phelan, John Slonecker, Janice Tappin
10. Kelsi Ryan George Phelan, John Slonecker, Janice Tappin

2006 Lita Jarboe George Phelan

2007 Monica Vedolla George Phelan, Alice DeGeyter

The World Affairs Seminar ceased operations in 2007, with the following statement:

On October 29, 2007, the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, Rotary International District 6270 and the Wisconsin World Affairs Council, Inc. mutually agreed to terminate their current operating agreement, thus ending 31 years of a most unique and engaging program for High School students. This means that there will not be a 2008 World Affairs Seminar held at the University.

This decision was extremely difficult to make, especially in view of the very positive reaction to the changes made in the 2007 Seminar format. The major factors involved in this decision were the changing needs and expectations of today’s potential students and their parents, the need for on-going leadership, and financial constraints in this very difficult time for financing educational endeavors.

The Seminar office will close as of December 21, 2007.

We sincerely thank you for your past efforts and support. The 31 years of World Affairs Seminars would not have happened without such support.

Please continue providing that extra measure of community support to your students. It is the hope of all of us that such efforts will help to improve the world community in a variety of ways.

Yours truly,

Frederick R. “Rick” Luedke

General Manager

In 2009, a NEW World Affairs Seminar started!

Year Attendees Rotarians

2009 Grace Morrison George Phelan, Pam Jensen

2010 Trenton Phillips George Phelan, Lee Kraemer, Harry Bistrin

2011 Jay Ferrick George Phelan, Lee Kraemer, Rick Iverson

2012 Raymond Harrison George Phelan (and South Ukiah Rotarians)

2013 Monica Ruiz George Phelan, Lee Kraemer, John Myers

2014 Elizabeth “Lizzy” McKeon George Phelan, Lee Kraemer, Kim Katri, Jon

Ferguson

 (Karina Ruiz by Interact)

2015 Sarah Teran George Phelan, Lee Kraemer

2016 Cameron Ramos George Phelan, Collin Smith

2017 Caramia Putman George Phelan, Lee Kraemer

2018 Luca Szabo George Phelan, Lee Kraemer,

 (Avery Barrett by So Uk)

 (Spencer Rico by Family)

2019 Emma Flammang, (Karina Alvarado by Interact) George Phelan, Lee Kraemer, Alison Glassey

 (Dominic Anzilotti by So Uk)

2020 No Seminar due to COVID Pandemic George Phelan, Lee Kraemer, Alison Glassey

2021 Jackson Ivy Due to COVID Pandemic, History Teachers recommended students. Of 4 who were recommended, only 1 was ultimately able to attend the Zoom Video 4 day event.

2022 Isabel Vansant, Jackson Ivy, George Phelan Lee Kraemer, and Sid Harper

and Madeline Armstrong

2023 Victoria Cawthon, Jacob Kubin, Alana Richert George Phelan, Alec Rorabaugh, Sarah Marshall,

and South Ukiah Rotarians led by Todd Kong,

2024 Lluvitza Guitierrez, Nicole Muniz, (Eva Pintane George Phelan, Neelam Salmen, Lee Kraemer,

Bode Gower, James Rodrigue Paid by Family) and South Ukiah Rotarians led by Tod Kong

2025 David Critser, Molly Kaluna-Jones, Carrie George Phelan, and South Ukiah Rotarians Tod

 Lancaster Kong, Elizabeth Penny, Omar Trouette