

# Rotary

## Club of Orange County East-Winter Park



### Birthdays

Joseph D. Ryan  
September 15th  
Paul R. Harvey  
September 28th  
James A. Podschun  
October 5th

### Years of Service

Timothy Wansbury  
10-01-1998  
26 Years  
Michael John Gibbons  
10-12-2006  
18 Years  
Jennifer Magnusson  
09-15-2011  
13 Years  
Matthew K. Williamson  
09-12-2013  
11 Years  
Ernie Dinkel  
09-18-2014  
10 Years

### Club Contact Info

Rotary Club of  
Orange County East - Winter  
Park  
Meeting at 7:30am every  
Thursday  
Winter Park Presbyterian Church  
400 South Lakemont Ave  
Winter Park, FL 32792  
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PO Box 1566  
Winter Park, FL 32790

### OCEWP Rotary Meeting 09122024

Prayer & pledge led by PP Rusty Baldwin.

Announcements by President Mike Emerson:

- Lily Anne Fiumara was born this past week. Lisa, baby and Victor are doing well. Congratulations!!!
- Anti-Human Trafficking Workshop on Sept 21 from 10 to 12 at Mall of Millenia. This is a great opportunity to get a "District Activity" for red badges.
- It is never too early to sell a Tip-Off Ad.
- Mary Tooles brought in the 1st check for the 2024 Tip-Off today!
- Former member Don Thomas and his new associate in his dental practice, Bradley Prast, were guests of the club. They were introduced by PP Mike Gibbons.
- PP Gerry Evans received notice from Rotary International that OCEWP Rotary was recognized on September 8th International Literacy Day for our "Books For Kids" program that we have had for more than 30 years.
- President Mike's dog Lily had successful surgery to remove something.

PP Gerry Evans happy to receive recognition for "Books For Kids" ... happy for Lisa's baby ... happy for grandson going to college in Belfast.

Mary Tooles, wearing her new Buffalo Bills shirt, was happy the Bills won their 1st game and is looking forward to the Bills beating the Miami Dolphins tonight.

PP Mike Gibbons helped move his daughter to Washington DC for her first job, since graduating from college, working for a consulting firm.

Don Thomas says our Rotary club is the same as he remembers it when he was a member. Don's dental practice of 37 plus years is good. Having a new associate dentist is good. Don reminded us about the "Peacock Award" we gave to his son for his Eagle Scout project. Don gave us an update on John Beattie, and John is doing great after almost dying.

Jerry Poppell is happy he drove on a field trip and survived with no accidents and no road rage. Jerry was also happy he did not hurt himself when he slipped in the shower.

PP Rusty Baldwin won 50/50.

Katie Warner was our speaker today. She is the Director of the Audubon Center For Birds Of Prey in Maitland. Annie Shepard from Audubon Florida was also present. Katie played us some soothing bird sounds. Audubon protects bird habitats, has over 1.5 million members, over 450 chapters, and 23 state offices. Bend the bird curve is a program to reduce the number of bird deaths. Audubon specializes in birds of prey with training, raptor trauma. Over 100 eagles with injuries have been treated and banded. Injuries result from falls, vehicles, poison, electrical. Other raptors that have been treated include hawks, owls, kites, ospreys, and more. 257 treated of 847 injured have been released. Raptor Research Program, Eagle Watch Program, Banded Nests Program, and Conservation Leadership Program are the ongoing activities at the Audubon. A new Owl Aviary is being built. Katie brought a Screech Owl for us to see up close and get pictures.

