

TIDINGS



WELCOME TO THE RIVER FALLS ROTARY CLUB

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The ROTARY Four-way Test

- Is it the truth?
- Is it fair to all concerned?
- Will it build goodwill and **better** friendships?
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

River Falls Rotary Vision Statement:

*“Enhancing Opportunities for
Youth; Creating a Better World
for All.”*

MEETING REPORT

President-elect Heather Logelin called the meeting to order. Jamie Benson shared a devotion. Heather then led the pledge, 4-way test and club mission statement.

GUESTS:

Heidi Herron, BBBS
John, Ted's Guest
Sofia, Exchange Student

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SCHOLARSHIPS: Tony P. will be presenting two \$500 Rotary Scholarships at tonight's awards ceremony.

STRIVE UPDATE: Tony P. updated the club on STRIVE. Invitations were mailed to 80+ students with GPAs below 3.0; 5 have applied, we are hoping for 5 more. A training is being scheduled for mentors; let him know if you are interested.

BBBS GOLF EVENT: Heidi Herron invited all to the BBBS golf event at Kilkarney on Fri, 6/16.

HOSTS NEEDED FOR WINE INTERNS: Elaine noted that 65 Vines has interns coming for the summer and is looking for host families; a stipend will be provided.

PAY YOUR DUES: Invoices have been sent. Please pay your dues!

FAMILY FRESH RECEIPTS: Rick reported that Our Neighbor's Place made its goal of \$150K in Family Fresh Receipts, so received a \$1K contribution from Nash Finch.

ONP CELEBRATION: All are invited to the "Our Neighbors Day" celebration and yard sale this Friday, 5/20.

GSE REMINDER: Rick reminded everyone that the GSE team arrives in River Falls today and will be here until Thursday morning. Thank you to those who are hosting!

HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP: Steve S. reminded everyone that the clean-up for Hwy 35 is this Saturday at 9:30 AM at the old Blooms Vet Clinic (1331 N Main St). Wear gloves, boots and long pants.

SAVE THE DATE: Be sure your calendars are marked for our club picnic (and Rotary Day at the Ballpark) on Sat, 6/24. Remember, no meeting on Tues, 7/4!

HAPPY BUCKS: JW collected Happy Bucks for a Mother's Day, the St. Paul Saints game, guests, missed meetings and:

- JW is sunburnt from a soccer tourney.
- John pontificated on baby calves and vineyards.
- Mike's daughter graduates from Hamline on Saturday!
- Cheryl enjoyed the lightning.
- Linda's husband is recovering from surgery, not as grumpy as last week.
- Steve S. reported that two of Jean Wespetal's children qualified for Boston!
- Tony P. was dismayed that they got to the ball game 90 minutes early and still didn't get a seat.
- Carole didn't read the fine print and got to the ball game plenty early - 12:30 for a 4:00 game!
- Terry noted that summer is just around the corner, as baseball and graduation parties are on her calendar!
- Scott reminded everyone of the Law Enforcement Memorial event at 6pm tonight at RFHS.
- Jamie is proud that Greenwood Elementary has been recognized as a National School of Character!
- Joel is excited that the Rice Lake Habitat ReStore is coming together.
- Randy is looking forward to hosting "Anna from Australia" - and working on his accent!
- Scott's son asked to borrow the truck for a drive-in movie. (What could go wrong?)
- Chris played her first round of golf - and quit counting.
- Steve reminisced about a drive-in movie, a group of teenage boys, a truck with a hard-top, and too many beverages.
- Randy noted that he took his dad's dump truck to the drive-in. (Top that!)
- Tony J. visited his nephew in San Francisco, where it was 10 degrees colder than River Falls!
- Virgil is back from beautiful Kentucky and the Lincoln Museum in Springfield.
- Elaine noted that "Caddyshack Season" has begun, and the gophers and moles are winning.

Rotary is an organization of business and professional men and women united worldwide who provide **humanitarian** service, encourage **high ethical standards** in all vocations, and help **build goodwill and peace** in the world."

Rotary



www.rotary5960.org – check out the great things in our district!

Elaine Baumann provided an overview of the North Star Youth Exchange, which is Rotary's youth exchange umbrella for Districts 5950 and 5960. The Rotary youth exchange program is based in the belief that we are creating peace one student at a time. Students who participate in the exchange program like to say that "it's not a year in your life, it's your life in a year." There are more than 200 volunteers involved with the North Star Youth Exchange.

Rotary started youth exchanges in 1927, when there were exchanges across Europe. America joined the exchange program in 1958; Minnesota's first student participated in 1967. In 1972, Rotary International official designated the exchange program as one of its official programs.

The year-long exchange program serves students ages 15-19. About 70 students from Districts 5950 and 5960 participate each year, typically traveling to and living in more than 30 countries. River Falls has hosted 13 students from 10 countries; Roxanne from the Philippines was our first student in 1999-2000.

The North Star Youth Exchange's newest program is the Short Term Exchange Program (STEP), which provides a two-month summer experience for students.

- The "Family to Family Exchange" program matches a student from the United States with a student from another country; they each spend one month living in each other's homes. 20 students from 5950 and 5960 are participating in this program this summer, including two from River Falls, who have been matched with students from Mexico and Denmark. The fee for this program is \$400; participating students are also responsible for purchasing their own airline ticket, passport and visa, if needed. (The student's family also has to be willing to host the paired student for a month.)
- The "Rotary Sponsored International Camps and Tours" program is a structured one-way experience where students from the United States participate in a camp or tour that is planned and sponsored by Rotarians in another country. The experiences range from one to six weeks. Just one student from Districts 5950 and 5960 are participating this year. The fee for this program is \$250 plus the cost of the camp or tour, which typically ranges from \$600-900; participating students are also responsible for purchasing their own airline ticket, passport and visa, if needed.

What are the roles of local Rotary Clubs with STEP? Local clubs are asked to promote the opportunity and encourage applicants; recommend students; approve host family applicants; provide a counselor 'on call' to trouble-shoot any issues; host students and Rotary Club meetings. There are no direct costs to local clubs when students participate in STEP.



The benefits of STEP to students include the opportunity to experience another culture, travel, building confidence, strengthening language skills and cultural flexibility, and more. The benefits to local clubs when students participate in youth exchange programs are numerous, including the short-term and long-term visibility in the community.

Learn more at <http://northstaryouthexchange.com/>.



PROGRAM SCHEDULE

MAY

- May 9** Jared Grotholson, RFHS Robotics Club
- May 16** Elaine Baumann, Youth Exchange Program Update
- May 23** Tom Holland, Family Friendly Worksites
- May 30** Tony Jilek, Nicaragua

JUNE

- June 6** Karen Klyczek, UWRF, Contemporary Biologic Issues
- June 13** Brian Laule, Classification Talk
- June 20** Courtney Bouthilet, St. Croix Valley SART
- June 27** Nick Ritchie, Rotary Youth Leadership Academy

Have a Program idea? Talk to Bill Montgomery to schedule it!

DEVOTIONS, SET-UP AND TAKE-DOWN

Set Up / Take Down	
May 9	Jilek & Heuertz
May 16	McKay & Borchardt / McKay & Fodroczi
May 23	Morrisette & Maplethorpe / Morrisette & Pedriana
May 30	TBD
June 6	TBD
June 13	TBD
June 20	TBD
June 27	TBD

DEVOTIONS APR-JUNE		
Apr	4	Linda Yde
	11	Gordie Young
	18	Jodie Young
	25	Shannon Zimmerman
May	2	Josh Agrimson
	9	Elaine Baumann
	16	Jamie Benson
	23	Chris Blasius
	30	Sam Bluhm
June	6	Tracy Borchardt
	13	Larry Ciccese
	20	Randy Cudd
	27	Justin Farnier

NOTE: If you are unable to attend, please make arrangements to have these responsibilities covered. Ideally you would find someone to trade with. *If you make a trade, please let the Tidings editor know.*

Rotary
District 5960



2016-2017 OFFICERS

- President: Brian McQuade
- President Elect: Heather Logelin
- Vice President: Rick Wilson
- Secretary: Chris Blasius
- Past Pres.: Rosanne Bump
- Treasurer: Jayson Fredrickson
- Exec. Secretary: Carole Mottaz

2016-2017 DIRECTORS

- Community: Matt Russell
- International: Tony Jilek
- Club Service: Thomas Pedersen
- Vocational: TBD
- Youth Protection: Linda Yde
- Youth Exchange: Elaine Baumann
- Public Relations: McKay/Leitch
- Membership: Terry McKay
- Programs: Bill Montgomery
- Foundation: Gorden Hedahl
- Sergeant at Arms: J. W. Matheson
- Newsletter: Heather Logelin
- Grantwriter: John Kremer
- Webmaster: Steve Leitch

PAST PRESIDENTS

- 1999: Tom Bloom
- 2000: Gorden Hedahl
- 2001: David Brassfield
- 2002: Randy Cudd
- 2003: Bill Montgomery
- 2004: Tom Palmer
- 2005: Connie Foster
- 2006: Steve Schroeder
- 2007: Carrie Fisher
- 2008: Kevin Pechacek
- 2009: Diane Odeen
- 2010: Tom Garfin
- 2011: Carole Mottaz
- 2012: Dale Jorgenson
- 2013: Elaine Baumann
- 2014: Scott Morrisette
- 2015: Rosanne Bump

ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR

- 2003: Tom Bloom
- 2005: Tom Garfin
- 2006: Dale Jorgenson
- 2006: Jerry Tack
- 2006: Kevin Pechacek
- 2007: John Kremer
- 2008 & 2009: Carole Mottaz
- 2010: Debbie Griffin
- 2011: Gorden Hedahl
- 2012: Pat O'Malley
- 2013: Bill Montgomery
- 2014: Vince Seidling
- 2015: Terry McKay
- 2016: Thomas Pedersen

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*Members indicated with an asterisk are Paul Harris Fellows at this time. PH Fellows have contributed more than \$1000 US to the Rotary Foundation.

+ Indicates members who are also Rotary Benefactors, leaving at least \$1000 to the Rotary Foundation in their wills.

^ Indicates members who do not attend weekly meetings but participate in other club projects and activities.