

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 Heather Logelin called the meeting to order. John Kremer shared a reflection on the seasons, after which Heather led the pledge, 4-way test and club mission statement.

GUESTS:

Greg Young, MD
Linda Robertson
Margaret Christianson



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PRAIRIE BURN: Volunteers are still needed for our food booth fundraiser at Prairie Burn Sat-Sun, Sept 16-17.

GALA REMINDER: Traci reminded everyone to mark their calendars for our annual gala on Fri, 2/23 at the American Legion. The theme will be “patio party,” so keep your eyes open for end-of-season items for silent auction baskets, etc.

SURVEY REMINDER: All members should have received a link to a brief survey on member engagement. Your feedback will help us identify ways to make our club even better. Thank you!

HURRICANE: The District has shared information about how clubs can help with hurricane relieve; the board will discuss and bring a recommendation to the club later this month.

AAUW BOOK SALE: Cheryl announced that the AAUW is collecting books at Dicks and Family Fresh for its annual book sale, which starts on Fri, 10/12.

EDUCATION FOUNDATION EVENT: Elaine invited everyone to the River Falls Education Foundation fundraiser at Belle Vinez on Thurs, 10/5.

HAPPY BUCKS: JW Matheson collected Happy Bucks for guests, missed meetings, Labor Day, the first day of school, general happiness and:

- Linda celebrated family birthdays and had her fill of DQ ice cream cake;
- Rick H. thanked all of the Prairie Burn volunteers;
- Bill noted that Rotary is unique in that it honors our “labor,” our vocation;
- Tony J. is looking forward to time in Guadalajara with old friends;
- Terry celebrated her dad’s birthday, but forgot the ice cream;
- Jill’s daughter babysat a two year-old for the weekend – in their home!
- Rick W. enjoyed a final swim in Lake Wapogassat;
- Randy enjoyed a float down the Upper Kinni with his lovely wife – they are celebrating their 47th anniversary today!
- Ted is back from a trip to France to visit his kids and grandkids;
- Ted’s ice cream cost \$180 after they locked both sets of keys in the car;
- Scott M is happy to have “Freeloader #3” off to his last first day of school;
- Chris enjoyed a beautiful – but very hot – trip to Arizona!
- Diane is happy to be back after taking the summer off from Rotary;
- Steve enjoyed Jim LaPoint’s daughter’s outdoor wedding on Saturday;
- Brian’s oldest son had a great morning on his first day of middle school;
- Elaine enjoyed volunteering with the hospitality crew on UW-RF freshman move-in day, followed by a day at the Minnesota State Fair;
- Jason learned how to lay tile and hang doors, part of home renovations; that are making room for a niece who will be living with them while attending graduate school.

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!

DR. GREG YOUNG, GUATEMALA STOVE PROJECT

Dr. Greg Young visited with Hudson Daybreak Rotarians Linda Robertson and Margaret Christianson to talk about their work in Guatemala. Dr. Young has traveled to Guatemala many times with his family, doing medical mission work, but is most recently focused on providing clean cooking stoves to Guatemalans. He is now presenting to clubs throughout the district, encouraging Rotarians to support the project, either through financial contributions or by traveling to Guatemala to help with the project.

Most Guatemalans live on a subsistence diet, primarily corn tortillas, which are cooked by women in smoky huts. The clean cooking stoves being provided through this project are wood burning stoves created to (1) reduce respiratory diseases from smoke inhalation, (2) reduce wood consumption by 80% and (3) create a central gathering place within the family dwelling. The reduction of wood consumption is significant not only to decrease deforestation, but also to alleviate the burden on families, who often walked miles for wood. All materials are supplied locally; a stove can be built in three hours. The village participates directly in the distribution of materials and building of stoves. The stoves cost \$69/each and are sold to the families for \$30. Receiving a stove like this has a significant impact on families. Dr. Young compared it to if one of us were to win a car, or even a house.



The clean cooking stoves they are building were designed in 2014 by Carlos Gavlez, a Guatemala East Rotarian. He manages the program meticulously. More than 900 stoves have been built in schools and homes. Stoves are sometimes gift to schools, where the stoves have the greatest impact. The Hudson Daybreak Rotary Club is now becoming the program's major sponsor. They contributed \$5,000 in 2016-2017 and have budgeted another \$3000 this year, with a goal of raising \$4800 from other clubs as part of a \$12K District Grant. In 2018-2021, they are planning to apply for a Global Grant.

The Daybreak Club sent seven Rotarians to Guatemala January 5-12, 2017 to spend time with Carlos Galvez to fully understand the program. They attended the Guatemalan Rotary East club meeting and also worked together to complete four stoves in schools and nine stoves in individual homes. They experienced a tremendous sense of bonding and connection with the Rotarians and families in Guatemala. They are planning two additional trips in 2018 to continue developing their connection with the program – and to build more stoves.

While women, who do most of the cooking, are the primary benefactors of the cooking stove program, the impact of the program is much larger. This project is an amazing way to empower women, protect the environment and improve the lives of families throughout Guatemala.



PROGRAM SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER

- Sept 5** Linda Robertson & Margaret Christenson, Guatemala Stove Project
- Sept 12** Club Assembly
- Sept 19** Jessica Schmitt, Victory and Valor for Vets
- Sept 26** Steve Engelhart, Classification Talk

OCTOBER

- Oct 3** TBD
- Oct 10** TBD
- Oct 17** TBD
- Oct 24** TBD
- Oct 31** TBD

Have a Program idea? Talk to Heather or Chris to schedule it!

DEVOTIONS, SET-UP AND TAKE-DOWN

Set Up / Take Down	DEVOTIONS AUG-OCT
Sept 5 McQuade & Wilson	Aug 1 Rick Heuertz
Sept 12 Baumann & Fredrickson / TBD	8 Rita Humbert
Sept 19 Heuertz & TBD	15 Tony Jilek
Sept 26 Jilek & Borchardt	22 Jeff Johnson
Oct 3 Morrissette & Pedersen / Montgomery & TBD	29 Dale Jorgenson
Oct 10 Thoennes & TBD / Pedriana & TBD	Sept 5 John Kremer
Oct 17 Kremer & Maplethorpe / Kremer & TBD	12 Brian Laule
Oct 24 Yde & TBD / TBD	19 Steve Leitch
Oct 31 TBD / TBD	26 Heather Logelin
	Oct 3 Cheryl Maplethorpe
	10 Ted Marsh
	17 JW Matheson
	24 Terry McKay
	31 Brian McQuade

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



OFFICERS

- President: Heather Logelin
- President Elect & Secretary: Rick Wilson
- President Elect Nominee: Chris Blasius
- Past President: Brian McQuade
- Treasurer: Jason Fredrickson
- Executive Secretary: Jill Bakalich

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

- Finance: Rick Wilson
- Administration: Chris Blasius
- Membership: Terry McKay
- Public Relations: Linda Yde
- Club Service: Rick Heuertz
- Foundation: John Kremer

OTHER CONTACTS

- Youth Exchange: Elaine Baumann
- Youth Protection: Linda Yde
- Sergeant at Arms: JW Matheson
- Newsletter: Heather Logelin

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 Morrissette
- 2015: Rosanne Bump
- 2016: Briand McQuade

ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR

- 2003: Tom Bloom
- 2005: Tom Garfin
- 2006: Dale Jorgenson, Jerry Tack & 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
- 2017: Elaine Baumann

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+ 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.