



# 'pinion

ROTARY CLUB OF WEST ALLIS  
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THE FOUR WAY TEST OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY OR DO

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

Week of May 7<sup>th</sup> 2020



## WELCOME TO ROTARY!

We are neighbors, community leaders, & global citizens uniting for the common good. With you, we can accomplish more.



Reasons to love Rotary right now .... Reason #155: Rotarians never stop making a difference!

**ZOOM ZOOM!** Join the 3<sup>rd</sup> virtual club meeting today – starting at 12:00PM sharp! **Please see the email that included this newsletter (sent morning of 5/07) for the meeting login web site and password.** Sorry for the interruption with the meeting last week. We now have unlimited minutes and can have up to 100 participants. **Thanks to all who have joined the meetings!**

**Prior Week:** April 23<sup>rd</sup> – National Immunization Day, Jeff Reed

As the world responds to a pandemic caused by a virus for which there is not yet a vaccine, we recall how the fight to #EndPolio by **Rotary & its partners have reduced polio cases by 99.9% since 1988** because **#VaccinesWork.**



**Last Week:** April 30<sup>th</sup> – Update on Alta Cayme Peru, Richard Muirhead

Richard provided a nice update on what's happening with Father Alex Busuttill and the great work being done at Alta Cayme. Unfortunately, last week's virtual program was cut off a bit short and did not include video of Father Busuttill giving a personal message about the current pandemic and providing thanks for continuing support.

**Our club has a strong history of supporting this mission** – located in the Peruvian town of Arequipa. From a 2002 interview, Busuttill, a Catholic priest who once worked with Mother Teresa, shared that when he arrived at the town in the late 90's, he found a community of children, their parents and the elderly in dire need of assistance.

Through the efforts of many, including our club, Busuttill has found Wisconsinites who are committed to reaching out to the people of Arequipa. **We are making a difference** through the creation of a community center and other programs that help address education, child care, health care and economic growth. The programs designed to equip and empower individuals and families to help themselves – turning Busuttill's vision into a reality. **"You people have done so much good in Arequipa."**



**This Week:** May 7<sup>th</sup> – District Grant Chair, Mary Beth Seiser- Thanks, Judy & Don

**P.S. Some STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Humor 😊:** Why can't you trust atoms? They make up everything! ♦ A proton walks into a bar and asks the bartender for a Coca-Cola. "Are you sure you want a Coke and not a beer?" asks the bartender. The proton replies, "yes, I'm positive." ♦ I recently read a book about anti-gravity. I couldn't put it down. ♦ Nature abhors a vacuum. So does my dog. ♦ The optimist sees the glass as half full. The pessimist sees the glass as half empty. The engineer sees the glass as twice as large as it needs to be. ♦ Two antennas got married. The wedding was so-so, but the reception was excellent. ♦ What do physicists enjoy doing at sporting events? The wave. ♦ 😊

**Rotary Club of West Allis  
2019 - 2020**

**FUN FACTS ABOUT THE ROTARY CLUB OF WEST ALLIS**

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Wed., 7:10am, library -

Contacts:

**Terese Dressel**

**Central Interact**

Thu., 8:45am, main office

Contacts: **Jerry Falk**

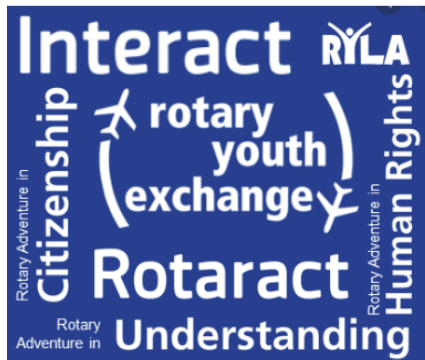
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Tuesday 10:45am -

Contacts: **Lee Breese &**

**Sue Zwitter**

**May is Youth Service Month**



**May Birthdays**

Kate Halfwassen (5/18) ♦ Jerry Falk (5/23)

**May Anniversaries**

Jeannette & Chet Bell - 58 years (5/19) ♦

♦ Judy & Jeff Shabman – 36 years (5/26)

Jason & Sarah Soloninka – 8 years (5/27) ♦

**May Rotary Anniversaries**

**THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM**

May 7<sup>th</sup> – District Grant Chair, Mary Beth Seiser

**UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

May 14<sup>th</sup> – Skygen Int'l Vision Glasses, Brent Bennett

May 21<sup>st</sup> - Guatemala Literacy Project-Don Drecktrah

May 28<sup>th</sup> - Guest House of Milw-Siena Morrissey (service project prospect)

June 4<sup>th</sup> - Madison Orchestra-Ken Yuska TBC

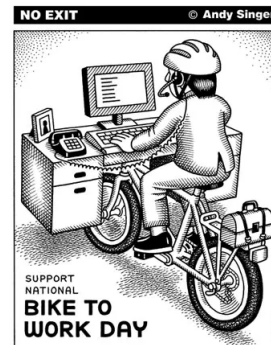
June 11<sup>th</sup> - Lulamoe Spa- Dani Hopkins TBC

**UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS, NOTES & OTHER**

**May 10<sup>th</sup> -**  
Mother's Day



**May 15<sup>th</sup> -**  
Bike to  
Work Day



**May 25<sup>th</sup> -** Memorial Day



**Next Rotary Board Meeting – May 13<sup>th</sup> ♦ 5:30PM TBD (Virtual or at the West Allis Fire Department)**  
**Club Meeting Time & Place ♦ Antigua ♦ 6207 W National Ave ♦ West Allis, WI 53214 ♦ SUSPENDED / TBD**