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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 March 2nd 2023



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 #244: Rotarians are experts in caring!

Getting to know Rotary's 2023-2024 president-elect, Gordon McNally (interview excerpts)

- What are your core values, and how do they shape how you lead?

My core value can be expressed in one word, and that is "**caring**." I like to think that **I care for people. Professionally as a dentist, I cared for people for many, many years.** I think if the world was a more caring place, a kinder place, then it would be a much happier place and a much more peaceful place. **Peace is one of the issues that I particularly want to see us move forward.**

- How can we reignite members of Rotary who appear to have "lost their spark"?

I think the way to reignite the lost spark in certain members of Rotary is to make sure that the Rotary club experience is as good as it can be and suits everybody. It's not a case of one-size-fits-all. It all comes down to the service. We are a membership organization and a service organization. It's not either/or. **We need to be out there doing service, because not only will we enjoy that more, we will also see more people want to come and join us because they can see us.**

- What is the biggest potential you see in Rotary as an organization that has not been fully realized?

We saw a great increase in volunteerism during the pandemic. **I think we have a great opportunity to connect with those people and encourage them to carry on volunteering through Rotary.** I believe it's in everybody's nature to care for other people. If we can bring that out of people, and if we can build on the spirit of care that we saw during the pandemic, what a wonderful legacy.

- You're a dentist. If you were a tooth, which would you be?

I'd probably be an incisor because that's the first tooth that does the work. You don't shove anything straight to the very back. You lead with your incisors, and I like to think I lead from the front. That said, an incisor is no more important than any other tooth; **all are equally important** in the eating process.

Last Week: Feb 23rd - Int'l Grants for Ukraine - Pete Bosch

Rotary Districts can apply for disaster response grants until June 30, 2024 to provide relief (food, water, shelter, clothing, and medicine) to refugees and other people affected by the war in Ukraine. Rotary District 6270 and the Rotary Club of Waukesha have been working to help restore power through fundraising efforts to purchase around 250 electrical generators for shelters and community centers.



This Week: Mar 2nd – Club Assembly - Thanks, Jeannette

P.S. Funny stuff 😄: Me: I want to take a trip. My Bank Account: I highly suggest it be a trip to work. ♦ If I had a dollar for every time I didn't know what was going on, I'd be like, why am I always getting all this money? ♦ My favorite childhood memory: not paying bills. ♦ "Be strong" I whispered to my wif signal. ♦ I can't believe I forgot to go to the gym again. That's 7 years in a row now. ♦ I snack – so my kitchen doesn't get lonely in between meals. ♦ Wake up. Be Kind. Be Amazing. Be Grateful. Repeat. 😊

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Hale Interact

Wed., 7:10AM, Library –

Contacts: Lee Breese &

Jeannette Bell

Central Interact

Thurs, 8:45AM, Main Office

Contacts: Jerry Falk

Dottke Interact

Tues, 10:45AM

Contacts: Mason Pooler

FUN FACTS ABOUT THE ROTARY CLUB OF WEST ALLIS

March is Water and Sanitation Month



WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE



March Birthdays

Sue Zwitter (3/09) ♦ Terese Beauchamp (3/15)

March Anniversaries

March Rotary Anniversaries

Dave Laske, 32 yrs (3/07) ♦ Kevin Haass, 14 yrs (3/06)

Jason Soloninka, 7 yrs (3/31) ♦

WEEKLY PROGRAMS

Mar 2nd – Club Assembly

Mar 9th – Sandwich making

Mar 16th – Rob Bassett -End Polio Now / Polio Plus

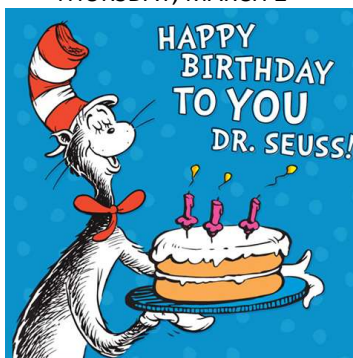
Mar 23rd – History of US Submarine Force-John Lindstedt

Mar 30th – RAD (Recreation Adult Disabilities)-Shelly Strasser

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS, NOTES & OTHER

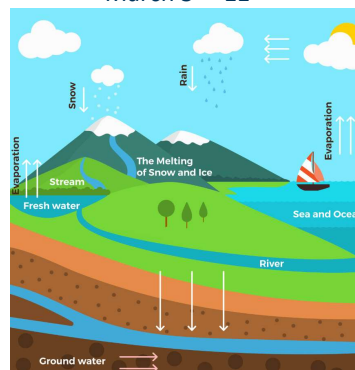
**National Read Across
America Day!**

THURSDAY, MARCH 2ND



**National Groundwater
Awareness Week**

March 5th -11th



World Water Day

WEDNESDAY, March 22nd



Next Monthly Rotary Board Meeting – March 15th ♦ 5:30PM VIRTUAL (3RD Wednesday of every month)

Weekly Club Meeting Time & Place ♦ 11:45AM ♦ VIRTUAL or IN-PERSON @ Apostle Presbyterian Church ♦ 1509 S 76th West Allis

For **VIRTUAL ZOOM** MEETINGS: URL = <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9828529809> ♦ PASSWORD = 024799 ♦ MEETING ID = 982-852-9809