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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 July 27th 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 #255: Rotarians Lead the Way!

Excerpts from July Message to All Rotarians - from Gordon McNally, Rotary President 2023-24

Even as we face new and serious challenges, **Rotary takes care of its members and those we serve**, works to **build lasting peace**, and **embeds belonging and inclusion** in everything we do. That is why I am **asking everyone in Rotary to Create Hope in the World**.

This year, we're **prioritizing projects to support mental health**. This effort is deeply personal to me. Research shows that **performing acts of kindness** is an effective step any of us can take to protect our well-being. And by building peace within, we become more capable of bringing peace to the world.

The **spirit of connection and purpose should inspire every Rotary member**. When club leaders focus on offering an excellent club experience, we retain more members and attract more prospective members. Our goal is to **create a sense of belonging, from our club meetings to our service activities**. Let us build peace within and spread it freely. Let us create belonging and imagine the future of Rotary afresh. **Let us work together joyously** and Create Hope in the World.



Gordon McNally

Prior Week: July 13th - Chosen (Foster and adoptive families) - Karen Schindwein

Chosen is a non-profit fostering/adoption support ministry, which exists to Foster Forever Families, by living the Gospel, so that all children can have a safe and loving home. Their programs support, enable and promote foster and adopted children and their families. Learn more about The Family Closet, our outreach programs, and upcoming events at <https://www.choseninlove.org/>



PROGRAMS OVERVIEW

- THE FAMILY CLOSET
- DONATION HOURS AND INFORMATION
- BOXES OF BLESSINGS
- PRAYER SUPPORT
- VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
- FAMILY CARNIVAL
- EQUIP. ENGAGE. ENCOURAGE.

Last Week: July 20th - District Governor Visit - Don Griffing
2023-24 District Governor, Don Griffing, visited our club last Thursday. He wanted to see how we are doing and to share his personal goals for our District. He has visited eight club since July 1st!



Don Griffing

This Week: July 27th – Rotary Fdn Planned Giving- Lizzy King
- Thanks, Mason

P.S. Funny stuff 😊: I need summer to be longer, so I have more time to do nothing. ♦ What kind of sandals do frogs wear? Open toad. ♦ I need some Vitamin Sea. ♦ What did the pig say on a hot summer day? I'm bacon. ♦ Why do fish swim in salt water? Because pepper water would make them sneeze. ♦ What do you get when you combine an elephant with a fish? Swimming trunks. ♦ Why don't oysters share their pearls? Because they're shellfish. ♦ Why can't basketball players go on vacation? Because they would get called for traveling. ♦ Why should you never blame a dolphin for doing anything wrong? Because they never do it on porpoise. ♦ What happens when you throw a green rock into the Red Sea? It gets wet. ♦ What do you call a cantaloupe in a kiddie pool? A watermelon. ♦ What is the best kind of sandwich for the beach? Peanut butter and jellyfish. 😊

**Rotary Club of West Allis
2023-2024**

FUN FACTS ABOUT THE ROTARY CLUB OF WEST ALLIS

July celebrates New Leadership

Officers:

President

Mason Pooler

Vice President

Lee Breese

Secretary

Brenda Merschdorf

Treasurer

Kathleen Dagenhardt

Sergeant-at-Arms

Dave Owens

Past President

Jeannette Bell

Directors:

Steve Hook: 2023

Larry Danner: 2023

Steve Affeldt 2024

Beth Leukam 2024

Jerry Falk: 2025

David Owens: 2025

**Rotary Club of West Allis
Foundation, Inc.**

Officers:

President

Steve Affeldt: 2021

Vice President

Wayne Tillmann: 2023

Secretary

Judy Shabman: 2021

Treasurer

Sue Zwitter: 2022

Directors:

Sherry Saiki: 2023

Tim Klare; 2022

Mason Pooler: ex officio

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



July Birthdays

Dave Owens (7/01) ♦ Tim Klare (7/06) ♦ Brenda Merschdorf (7/07) ♦ Larry Danner (7/17) ♦ Pat Wolfe (7/29)

July Anniversaries



July Rotary Anniversaries

Kathleen Dagenhardt, 28 yrs (7/02) ♦ Steve Hook, 25 yrs (7/23)

WEEKLY PROGRAMS

July 27th - Planned Giving Officer -Rotary Fdn- Lizzy King

Aug 3rd - Global Scholar, Brigitte Potter

Aug 10th - Club Picnic/ Auction at Malone Park-New Berlin

Aug 17th - Miss West Allis -TBC

Aug 24th - Rec Center, Katie and Beau - Off-site

Aug 31st - Foreign Service, Jon Ward

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS, NOTES & OTHER

Are you Interested?



Friends of the Hank Aaron Trail are hosting a 5k (3.1 miles) run/walk on **August 12, 2023**.

Please contact Mason ASAP if you are interested in joining a Rotary team of walkers.

Link to more info:

[23rd Annual Hank Aaron State Trail 5K Run/Walk \(runsignup.com\)](https://www.runsignup.com)

**After Hours Club
Changing of the Guard**

When: **TONIGHT!** July 27th

Time: 7pm

Where: McCarty Park Traveling Beer Garden

Bring: lawn chair, snacks, pint glass (or \$2 for the Beer Garden Pint Glass)

**National Refreshment
Day**

Thursday, July 27th



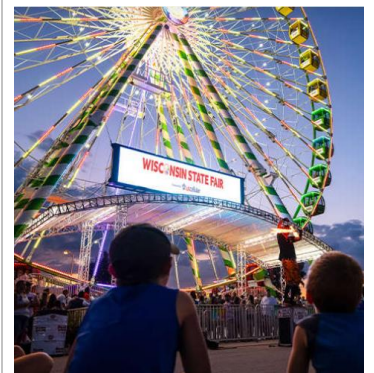
**INTERNATIONAL
DAY OF
FRIENDSHIP**

Sunday, July 30th



**WISCONSIN
STATE FAIR**

August 3rd – 13th



Next Monthly Rotary Board Meeting – Aug 16th ♦ 5:30PM VIRTUAL (3RD Wed 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