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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?



WELCOME TO ROTARY!

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

Week of January 25th, 2024

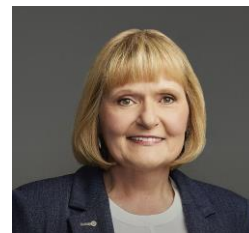


Reasons to love Rotary right now ... Reason #266: Rotarians rule!

Stephanie Urchick embraces change to become better

Rotary President-elect Stephanie Urchick isn't one to wither in the face of change. Instead, she embraces it. On the bookshelf in her office at Rotary headquarters, among the club directories and commemorative plates, is a wooden sign that reads, "Fall is proof that **change is beautiful.**"

"It's the same reason I like butterflies," explains Urchick. "They start out in little cocoons and don't look like much, but then they burst out and become a beautiful creature." Stephanie is championing the Rotary plan as a guide for Rotary clubs hoping to undergo a similar metamorphosis. "**I'm all about helping clubs look for ways to change their culture, so they become simply irresistible,**" she says. "If you look at our worldwide numbers, there's something like 150,000 people who come into Rotary every year, but there are 160,000 who leave. "There are so many great things that Rotary clubs do ... I truly believe that if Rotary districts and clubs use the Action Plan, we can thrive." **Urchick is also encouraging people to use verbs in front of the next year's theme,** The Magic of Rotary. Examples include: **Believe** in the magic of Rotary. **Spread** the magic of Rotary. **Build** on the magic of Rotary. **Celebrate** the magic of Rotary.



Last Week: Jan 18th - Miss West Allis



Our club was visited by Miss West Allis, Jasmine Peck. Jasmine is currently enrolled at University of Wisconsin - Madison in Economics and Statistics. She advocates awareness and resources for foster children. As Miss West Allis, she was able to meet many wonderful people in our community and throughout Wisconsin, during which she was able to practice interview and public-speaking skills. Jasmine's visit happened to be the last day of her term serving as Miss West Allis. She was thankful for the support of her friends, family, and mentors. Miss West Allis is a preliminary to Miss Wisconsin, which is a preliminary to Miss America, the world's largest provider of scholarship assistance for young women.

This Week: Jan 25th - KIVA, loans that change lives - Lisa Sullivan

- Thanks, Mason

P.S. Funny stuff 😊: Things you say after 50: How did I get this bruise? ♦ That isn't my password either? ♦ How do they expect you to read this small print? ♦ I don't care if it doesn't look fashionable, it's comfortable. ♦ Who is calling me at 9:30PM? ♦ Where did I put my phone? ♦ Where did I put my glasses? ♦ This scale can't be right! ♦ Why did I come into this room? 😊

WELCOME Visitor
😊 Granddaughter
of Lee Breese



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2023-2024**

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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

January is Vocational Service Month



January Birthdays

Jim Mejchar (1/02) ♦ Marty Hedrich (1/11) ♦ Kent Waterbury (1/17) ♦ Kevin Haass (1/23)
♦ Harold Sloan (1/27) ♦ Kathleen Dagenhardt (1/27)

January Anniversaries

January Rotary Anniversaries

Jim Mejchar – 28 yrs (1/10)



WEEKLY PROGRAMS

Jan 25th – KIVA, loans that change lives - Lisa Sullivan

Feb 1st - World Affairs Seminar, Francis Vogel

Feb 8th - West Allis Exchange student - Regina

Feb 15th - West Allis Dept Fire First responder - Jason Schaak

Feb 22nd - Laser Cut Creations-Virginia Baughman

Feb 29th - Sandwich making, Interact clubs & Noon Club.

Mar 7th - Assembly-Mason Pooler

Mar 14th - BRAVE program- Matt Seidl

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS, NOTES & OTHER

**National Bubble
Wrap Day**

Monday, January 29th



**National Hot
Chocolate Day**

Wednesday, January 31st



**National
Hot Chocolate Day**

Groundhog Day

Friday, February 2nd



Next Monthly Rotary Board Meeting – Feb 21st ♦ 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