



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 July 17th, 2025



Reasons to love Rotary right now ... Reason #303: **Rotarians Unite for Good!**

Prior Week: July 3rd – Bob Graf, West Allis Central Pottery Teacher

Bob Graft (West Allis Central art teacher) gave us a demonstration on how to make a vase. This is his second year at West Central teaching pottery classes. Bob has brought his pottery dishes to our Empty Bowls fundraiser for the last two years.



The school district named Bob Educator of the Month this past September (2024) for his outstanding contributions to the school community and positive impact in the classroom!

Past Week: July 10th - Brenda Merschorf, Investing During Uncertain Times

Brenda Merschorf, a financial advisor with Edward Jones since 2008, spoke about maintaining a healthy perspective and keeping your emotions in check when making investment decisions ... especially when life, and the markets, get a bit crazy.



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A timeout can help you review your goals and objectives, recognize behaviors that may cause trouble, and avoid making emotional investment decisions.

This Week: July 17th -Suzanne Singh, Peace Corp experience in Romania

Thanks, Dave

P.S. Funny thoughts for today 😊: I bought a little bag of air today ... the company that made it was kind enough to put some potato chips in it as well. ♦ Me: I'll save \$50 by flying at 4 AM! Also Me: Spends \$75 at the airport store because I forgot my phone charger, Chapstick, and will to live. ♦ 14 muscles are activated when you pour a cup of coffee. Fitness is my passion! ♦ Long story short, I need six million dollars & 79 cents. ♦ Maybe, if we all sit very still, Monday won't see us. ♦ Me: can you grow please? Bank account: No; Hair: No; Muscles: No; Stomach: I got you. 😊



Congratulations!

Simon (middle) from West Allis Central received a financial achievement award.



Violet (right) was recognized for her volunteer work with the Central Interact Club.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF WEST ALLIS

Rotary Club of West Allis 2024-2025

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: ex officio

Hale Interact

Wednesday 7:10 AM

Auditorium

Contacts: Lee Breese

Central Interact

Thursday 8:45 AM

Meet in the Main Office

Contacts: Jerry Falk



July Birthdays

Dave Owens (7/01) ♦ Tim Klare (7/06) ♦

Brenda Merschdorf (7/07) ♦ Pat Wolfe (7/29)

July Anniversaries

July Rotary Anniversaries

Kathleen Dagenhardt, 30 yrs (7/02) ♦ Steve Hook, 27 yrs (7/23)

WEEKLY PROGRAMS

- July 17th -Suzanne Singh, Peace Corp experience in Romania
- July 24th -Story - Returning Thailand Exchange student
- July 31st – Big Brothers & Big Sisters (off site due to State Fair)
At Activity & Fitness Center 2nd floor at 1200 So. 109th St
- Aug 7th - Club Picnic at West Allis Historical Society grounds
Please bring an item to be auctioned off
- Aug 14th - Lucy Torres, Mgr. of Aroma Cafe (Puerto Rico)
- Aug 21st - John Linstedt, History of US Sub Force, WWII Part 1
- Aug 28th - Drew Burgoyne, Weatherman of Channel 58

Rotary Minute

Francesco Arezzo, a member of the Rotary Club of Ragusa, Italy, has been selected as **Rotary International's president for 2025-26**.

He officially began his term on July 1st.

His presidential theme, **Unite for Good**, urges Rotary members to foster unity in a world divided by politics, geography, and ideology.

An orthodontist in private practice, Francesco Arezzo is actively involved in Italian, European, & US orthodontic associations.



Rotary Strong! Keeping up the tradition of helping carry the US flag in the West Allis 4th of July Parade 😊



Next Monthly Rotary Board Meeting – July 16th ♦ 5:30PM **VIRTUAL** (Generally 3RD Wed of every month)

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

VIRTUAL BOARD Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88169942469?pwd=Cv4r9dPmKjdlrDJ6eHltUklnBqmJld.1>