

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 15th, 2026



Reasons to love Rotary right now ... Reason #311: [Rotarians build and connect communities!](#)

[A happiness hypothesis](#)

The overarching lessons from decades of science on happiness won't surprise Rotary members: No matter your culture, strong social **relationships make us happier and healthier.**

“What makes people happy, in the long term, is the feeling that their lives are meaningful and that they have a richly connected life,” says Steven Heine, a professor at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver who studies cultures around the world, including how people search for meaning in their lives.

“And we find that people, that their **community relationships, such as through Rotary clubs** and similar organizations, **are especially important in helping make their lives meaningful.**”



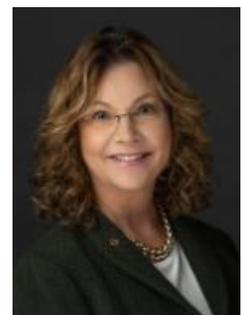
[District 6270 Governor, Liz Nevitt – excerpts from message:](#)

To all my Rotary friends (current and future) in Rotary District 6270! I am honored to serve this fantastic group of people as your district governor. I am here to serve, just like you.

Our mission statement in Rotary is: Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves. That truly says it all. We are here to **stand together to make positive change happen.** This is the goal of every Rotary club and every Rotarian. We unite for friendship, to help our local and global communities become even better, and to strengthen our leadership and professional skills.

The president of Rotary International, Francesco Arezzo, has said that, in order to do “good” in the world, we need to build friendship and trust. Because Rotary is not political or religious, we have the unique opportunity to build that friendship and trust across what might otherwise be barriers, such as different countries or religious traditions. Rotary is a place where we can feel safe to be ourselves. We listen, we support and we serve. Let's work together and Unite for Good.

[This Week: Jan 15th – Club Assembly](#) - Thanks, Dave



P.S. [Funny thoughts for today](#) 😊: Don't be worried about your smart phone and TV spying on you. Your vacuum cleaner has been gathering dirt on you for years. ♦ I got an email the other day telling me how to read maps backwards. Turns out it was just spam. ♦ Talk to yourself. There are times that you need expert advice. ♦ “In style” are the clothes that still fit and “on time” is when you get there. ♦ The biggest lie you tell yourself: I don't need to write that down. I will remember. ♦ Crossing things off my to-do list. I didn't do them; I just don't want them on my list anymore. ♦ Procrastination is dish best served eventually. 😊

THE ROTARY CLUB OF WEST ALLIS

Rotary Club of West Allis
2024-2025

Officers:

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Dave Owens

Vice President

Steve Affeldt

Secretary

Jeannette Bell

Treasurer

Judy Shabman

Sergeant-at-Arms

Don Drecktrah

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Steve Hook: 2026

Tim Klare 2026

John Ash 2026

Jerry Falk: 2025

David Owens: 2025

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Wayne Tillmann: 2026

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Treasurer

Tim Klare: 2028

Directors:

Sherry Saiki: 2026

: ex officio

Hale Interact

Wednesday 7:10 AM

Auditorium

Contacts: Lee Breese

Central Interact

Thursday 8:45 AM

Meet in Main Office

Contacts: Jerry Falk



January is Vocational Service Month!

December & January Birthdays

Nancy Rhodes (12/10) ♦ Jim Mechar (1/02) ♦ Marty Hedrich (1/11) ♦ Kent Waterbury (1/17) ♦ Kevin Haass (1/23) ♦ Harold Sloan (1/27) ♦ Kathleen Dagenhardt (1/27)

December & January Anniversaries

Frank & Sue Ann Bevsek 61 yrs (12/26) ♦
Richard & Isabel Muirhead 57 yrs (12/28) ♦

December & January Rotary Anniversaries

Wayne Tillmann 32 yrs (12/09) ♦ Jim Mejchar 30 yrs (1/10)

WEEKLY PROGRAMS

Jan 15 – Club Assembly

Jan 22 - West Allis City Admin--Erin Hirn

Jan 29 – NASA - Dennis Roscoe (TBC)

Feb 05 -NASA - Dennis Roscoe (TBC)

Feb 12 - Lighthouses of Wisconsin (TBC)

Register by February 13th to take advantage
of **EARLY-BIRD TICKET PRICING!**



Learn more and register at
<https://rotarytricon.org>



Kalahari Resort
Wisconsin Dells
April 17-18



Rotary
Western
Great Lakes
Districts 6220, 6250 and 6270

TRICON 2026 IS MORE THAN A CONFERENCE—IT'S A CHANCE TO *UNITE FOR GOOD, RECONNECT, RECHARGE, AND REIMAGINE ROTARY'S IMPACT IN THE WORLD.*

Rotary Minute! Attending meetings is an opportunity, not an obligation

Traditionally, attendance for a Rotary member had meant participating in a regular weekly meeting at the member's club or at another club. Exceptions were few and participation in special club meetings, roundtables, informal gatherings, and service activities did not count as attendance. These rigid attendance rules and policies were a barrier to attracting new members and engaging current ones, conflicting with busy careers and young families.

In response, Rotary International allows for new approaches. Clubs are encouraged to relax attendance expectations or not have them at all.

You don't HAVE to go to your Rotary meetings and activities, you GET to go! Remember to share the amazing feeling you have when you are involved in Rotary with friends, family, neighbors, and co-workers!

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

Next Monthly Rotary Board Meeting – Jan 21st ♦ 5:30PM VIRTUAL (Generally 3RD Wed of every month)

VIRTUAL BOARD Meeting: <https://us05web.zoom.us/j/89879630526?pwd=rSJFr1kFtLvXsYSsN6x9k7dickat5.1>