

#### 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!



Reasons to love Rotary right now ... Reason #293:



Rotarians care.

2025-26 PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE ADDRESS – excerpts from Mário César Martins de Camargo speech 2/10, Rotary International President-elect, member of the Rotary Club of Santo André, Brazil

I am more convinced than ever that our collective focus on membership is essential to securing Rotary's future. Rotary's greatest asset is not our history, our projects, or even our unmatched global reach. It is our members — the best-qualified team of volunteers on the planet. *Rotary's greatest gift to the world is its people.* 

Our road map to membership growth and revitalization is guided by three essential pillars: innovation, continuity, and partnership. These principles are a call to action to rejuvenate Rotary, to attract new voices and perspectives, and to strengthen our service to communities worldwide.



Innovation is how we adapt to this changing world. It's not just about welcoming younger members but also engaging senior individuals seeking purpose and connection. Satellite clubs, cause-based clubs, enterprise clubs, and passport clubs are examples of the flexibility we need to reach future Rotarians outside our traditional frameworks.

Ultimately, all our achievements, projects, and partnerships depend on our members. Membership growth is about renewing our collective strength and ensuring our mission endures. Rotary members are people of action. We don't wait for change to happen; we make it happen. And what do people of action do? We unite for good.

#### Prior Week: Jan 30th - Cory Weber, Update on the Boy Scouts / Scouting America





Jon Ward (far left) and Kevin Haass shared the history of the Boy Scouts/Scouting America, with both having achieved Eagle Scout status. Scouting America is the nation's foremost youth program providing young people with unique opportunities focused on character development, leadership, fun and outdoor exploration. On February 8, the organization celebrated its

115th birthday and officially adopted its new name, Scouting America. Our Rotary Club sponsors a Scouting troop that meets at the church.

#### Last Week: Feb 6th - Suzanne Singh, Planning & Zoning Services

Suzanne is a project, event, and grants manager for West Allis. She gave us a great review of development projects that are happening in the West Allis community, including ENGAGE leadership workshops and various coalitions.

Jeffery Mark Shabman
WITH SYMPATHY

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May his memory be

a blessing

This Week: Feb 13th - Jodi Fabbri, Rogers Behavioral Health Community Liaison - Thanks, Steve

P.S. Positive thoughts for today ©: Action is the antidote to anxiety. ◆ Notice the people who bring out your favorite version of yourself. ◆ If you don't schedule your priorities, someone else will. ◆ Reach out to people just because they crossed your mind. ©

# Rotary Club of West Allis 2023-2024

#### Officers:

**President** Steve Affeldt

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Secretary

Brenda Merschdorf

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**Dave Owens** 

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#### **Directors:**

Steve Hook: 2026 Tim Klare 2026 Beth Leukam 2026 Jerry Falk: 2025 David Owens: 2025

# Rotary Club of West Allis Foundation, Inc.

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**President** 

Steve Affeldt: 2027 Vice President

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Treasurer
Tim Klare: 2025

**Directors:** 

Sherry Saiki: 2026 Sue Zwitter: 2025 : 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

## THE ROTARY CLUB OF WEST ALLIS



## **February Birthdays**

Frank Bevsek (02/04) ◆ Mark Ellington (02/07) ◆

### **February Anniversaries**

#### **February Rotary Anniversaries**

Jerry Falk, 51 yrs (02/12) • Marty Hedrich, 36 yrs (02/16) Mark Ellington, 36 yrs (02/16) • Harold Sloan, 34 yrs, (02/28) Lee Breese, 18 yrs (02/15)

#### **WEEKLY PROGRAMS**

Feb 13th - Jodi Fabbri, Rogers Behavioral Health Community Liaison

Feb 20<sup>th</sup> - Lisa Schiller, Part 2, Various Scams BBB Feb 27<sup>th</sup> - Richard Muirhead, Seeding prairies of land Mar 6<sup>th</sup> – Assembly + check presentation to REC Dept

# We Have Great Rotarians AND Interactors!



Our two visiting Interact members from West Allis Central High School.



### **Empty Bowl Fundraiser '25**

Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> 4:00 to 6:00PM Apostle Presbyterian Church 1509 S 76<sup>th</sup> St, West Allis

Tickets \$9, \$6 for ages 6-12, Free for ages 5 & under

Enjoy a friendly, informal dinner with friends & neighbors!

Proceeds used to help local food pantries. Please bring a non-perishable food donation (©)



### National Cheddar Day Today, Thurs. Feb 13<sup>th</sup>



## Valentine's Day Friday, Feb 14th



### National Wisconsin Day! Saturday, Feb 15<sup>th</sup>



Next Monthly Rotary Board Meeting – Feb 19<sup>th</sup> ♦ 5:30PM VIRTUAL (3<sup>RD</sup> Wed of every month)

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