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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 2.22.2018



ROTARY:  
MAKING A  
DIFFERENCE

## WELCOME TO ROTARY!

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



Reasons to love Rotary right now .... Reason #69: **Rotaract celebrates 50 years of doing good**

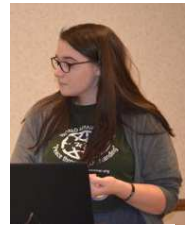
50 years ago, the first **Rotaract** club was formed. The year was 1968. A wall divided East and West Berlin, as the Cold War raged on. The U.S. and the Soviet Union were locked in a space race, and Apollo 8 became the first manned spacecraft to orbit the moon, sending back pictures of Earth from deep space.

In the middle of all of this, Rotary members in North Carolina, USA, charter the first Rotaract club, to **provide young adults opportunities for service**. A half-century has passed since those first Rotaract clubs began inspiring young leaders to take action to improve their communities. **The world has changed**, as has the way Rotaract members connect with one another. **But the underlying values of the program**, and what attracts people to it, **remain remarkably the same**.

**Last Week:** Feb 15<sup>th</sup> –Victoria Sandmire, World Affairs

Victoria, an Interact student from West Allis Hale, gave a nice overview of her experiences attending the 2017 **World Affairs Seminar (WAS)** - a special initiative of our District, 6270!

WAS is an **interactive educational program for high school students** and, each year, our club sponsors several to attend this week-long experience. Since 1977, over 30,000 students have participated.



The vision of WAS is to bring **better understanding of world problems to young people from around the globe**, using current issues as a learning platform. Emphasis is on promoting better understanding of the causes of international conflict. **Education & Social Justice: Creating Change Around the World** was the topic for 2017.



The three main things that Victoria learned at WAS: 1) a week is longer than you think; 2) the friends you make are friends that can last for life; & 3) no matter how much you learn, there is always more to learn! Victoria was one of 300 attendees from 19 different countries. Her days were filled with speakers, small group discussions and field-trips – which helped created the perfect environment for exchanging ideas and learning about different perspectives.

26 members, 5 students & 1 parent

**This Week:** Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> – Mike McLaughlin, Trees that Feed

Thank you, Terese Beauchamp

P.S. Jokes about the sport of Skeleton: 😊



What do you call a skeleton toboggan racer who won't practice? Lazy bones! ♦ What do you call an Olympic skeleton competitor who stays out in the snow too long? A numbskull ♦ What song do skeleton sliders listen to after a race? Bad to the Bone ♦ Where do skeleton racers go to get a new uniform? New Jersey ♦ How do French Skeleton sliders say hello? Bonejour! ♦ What rock band do skeleton riders like the most? Bone Jovi ♦ Where did the skeleton team go to eat? White Castle – they have the best sliders! ♦ How do skeleton riders contact other riders? They use a telephone



Dottke Interact Club – Nick



Dottke Interact Club – Pedro



West Allis Hale - Bella



West Allis Central – Elaine



### BLOOD DRIVE TODAY!

at the JAMES E DOTTKE HIGH SCHOOL  
Thursday, February 22 from 9:30 am - 2:30 pm

7815 W. Lapham St, West Allis / Thank you for your support!

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**Hale Interact**

Wed., 7:10am, library -

Contacts:

**Jim Mejchar & Lisa Berman**

**Central Interact**

Thu., 8:45am, main office

Contacts: **Jerry Falk**

**Dottke Interact**

Tuesday 10:45am - Contacts:

**Lee Breese, Sue Zwitter &**

**Cathy Manthei**

**West Milwaukee EarlyAct**

Thurs, 1:30PM -

**Brenda Merschorf,**

**Steve Affeldt & Cathy Manthei**

**FUN FACTS ABOUT THE ROTARY CLUB OF WEST ALLIS**

**February = Peace & Conflict Prevention/Resolution**



<http://www.rotarianactiongroupforpeace.org/>

**February Birthdays**

Jay Wendelberger (2/01) ♦ Beth Koehler (2/02) ♦ Frank Bevsek (2/04)

Mark Ellington (2/07) ♦ Bob Thompto (2/19)

**February Anniversaries**

Lee & David Breese 2/23/1963 (55 years)

**February Rotary Anniversaries**

Jerry Falk 2/12/1974 (44 years) ♦ Lee Breese 2/15/2007 (11 years)

Mark Ellington 2/16/1989 (29 years) ♦ Marty Hedrich 2/16/1989 (29 years)

Lisa Berman 2/18/2016 (2 years) ♦ Joyce Rowell 2/22/1990 (28 years)

Harold Sloan 2/28/1991 (27 years)

**THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM**

Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> – Mike McLaughin, Trees that Feed

**UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

March 1<sup>st</sup> – Lisa/Dani – TBA

March 8<sup>th</sup> – Brenda & Lee – Four Way Test Award

March 15<sup>th</sup> – Lisa /Holly – Digital Marketing

March 22<sup>nd</sup> – Work Project = Shoebox

**UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS, NOTES & OTHER**

**Scouting for Food / Boy Scout Food Drive** – Saturday, 3/17

Save the Date - more details to follow

**West Allis Community Dinner Dance** – Saturday, 3/24

6:00PM to 11PM / Social & Silent Auction, Dinner & Sweets Table, Music

Held at: Zoofari Conf Center, 9715 W Bluemound, \$75/person **or \$70 by 2/28**

To Register: [westallisfoundation.org](http://westallisfoundation.org) or call 414-302-8292

Benefitting The Village Playhouse / supported by West Allis Rotary!

**West Allis Rotary Cocktails for a Cause** – Saturday, 4/21

Save the Date - more details to follow. **Start bringing in bottles of wine!**



**Final days of the PYEONGCHANG 2018: XXIII OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES!**

The 2018 Winter Games are taking place over 17 days - **from February 9<sup>th</sup> to the 25<sup>th</sup>** in PyeongChang, Gangwon Province, the Republic of Korea.

PyeongChang will be the stage for the Opening and Closing Ceremonies and most snow sports. Alpine speed events will take place in Jeongseon, and all ice sports will be competed in the coastal city of Gangneung.



**Next Rotary Board Meeting** – Mar 14<sup>th</sup> ♦ 5:30PM at the West Allis Fire Department

**Club Meeting Time & Place** ♦ The Columbus Club ♦ 1800 S. 92<sup>nd</sup> Street ♦ West Allis, WI 53214 ♦ Thursdays ♦ 11:45 AM to 1:00 PM