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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 2.9.2017

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 #23: **Rotary makes amazing things happen**

Conflict and violence displace millions of people each year. Half of those killed in conflict are children, and 90 percent are civilians. **We refuse to accept conflict as a way of life.** Rotary projects provide training that fosters understanding and provides communities with the skills to resolve conflicts. Here are two examples:

Raising awareness of bullying. Rotaract clubs in the Philippines conduct anti-bullying campaigns in schools to teach children how to handle conflict peacefully from an early age.

Protecting domestic violence survivors and their families. The state of Louisiana has the fourth highest incidence of death caused by domestic violence. Local Rotary members met this issue by helping a shelter provide food, clothing, legal advocacy, and counseling to over 500 women in one year.



Last week, February 2nd – Bennet Merens, Blood Research Institute

Ben is the chief storyteller at the Blood Research Institute (BRI) – which is the BloodCenter of Wisconsin’s research arm. BRI was opened after World War II as an institute of science dedicated to the study of blood, blood processes and blood diseases. Four key areas of focus: Vascular Biology; Immunology; Stem Cell Biology; and Transfusion Medicine.

Through their breakthrough research, BRI explores the world of blood from every angle and analyzes how normal blood behaves and what causes it to behave abnormally. They then seek to correct and improve patient outcomes and save lives.

Ben shares the reasons behind the blood donors' decisions to give. Additionally, he gathers stories about why BRI’s world-renowned researchers and doctors have dedicated their lives to curing diseases of the blood including leukemia and MS.

BRI is located on the campus of the Milwaukee Regional Medical Complex along with the Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW) and its affiliated hospitals, Froedtert Hospital and Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin. More information can be found at <https://www.bcw.edu/bcw/Research/index.htm>

Attendance: 27 members, 3 students & 1 speaker

This week, February 9th – Andrew Stith, Cristo Rey High School

Thanks, Tim



P.S. Pre-Valentine’s Day jokes / answers on next page: Q1: What did the light bulb say to the switch? ♦ Q2: What do you call a very small valentine? ♦ Q3: How did the telephone propose to his girlfriend? ♦ Q4: What did the bat say to his girlfriend?

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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

All Saints... Kathleen

Dagenhardt

FUN FACTS ABOUT THE ROTARY CLUB OF WEST ALLIS
FEBRUARY IS PEACE AND CONFLICT PREVENTION/RESOLUTION MONTH



February Birthdays

Rotary (2/23)

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

Ann Marie Kutzke (2/06) ♦ Mark Ellington (2/07) ♦ Bob Thompto (2/19)

February Anniversaries

Melanie and Fred San Fillippo (2/20) 35 years ♦ Lee and David Breese (2/23) 54 years

February Rotary Anniversaries

Jerry Falk 2/12/1974 (34 years) ♦ Lee Breese 2/15/2007 (10 years)

Mark Ellington 2/16/1989 (28 years) ♦ Marty Hedrich 2/16/1989 (28 years)

Lisa Berman 2/18/2016 (1 year) ♦ Joyce Rowell 2/22/1990 (27 years)



THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

February 9th – Andrew Stith, Cristo Rey High School

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

February 16th – Bennet Merens, Immunotherapy & Cancer Treatment Research

February 23rd – Nancy Towie, Identity Theft

March 2nd – John Stibal, West Allis Update

March 9th – Lee Breese, Four Way Test

March 16th – Pat Gutierrez, Mental Health / Addiction Treatment in Milwaukee

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS, NOTES & OTHER

Reflections of Wellness for Women – Saturday, February 25th

West Allis Central High School, 8AM to 1PM. Please Register at aurora.org/events (keyword: reflections)

Scouting for Food – Saturday, March 18th

West Allis Community Dinner Dance – Saturday, March 25th

West Allis Rotary Cocktails for a Cause – Saturday, April 29th

West Allis Rotary 90th!!! Anniversary Dinner – Saturday, May 6th

Answers to Questions from 1st page: A1 - You turn me on; A2 - A valentiny; A3 - He gave her a ring.
A4 – You're fun to hang around with

Next Rotary Board Meeting Wednesday, March 8th ♦ 5:30 to 6:30 PM at the West Allis Fire Department

Club Meeting Time & Place ♦ The Columbus Club ♦ 1800 S. 92nd Street ♦ West Allis, Wisconsin 53214 ♦ Thursdays ♦ 11:45 AM to 1:00 PM