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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 4.26.2018



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 #77: **Rotary Wins!!**

On April 24th, **Rotary.org won the prestigious Webby People's Voice Award for best association website!** The Webby Awards are the leading international honor for excellence on the internet. Award ceremony will be held on May 15th.

Last Week: April 19th – Common Hope, Eric Moser



Eric Moser shared some history behind the Guatemala Literacy Project of the Elmbrook Rotary Club (ERC). Initiated in 2011 by then President Charley Shirley, this project was chosen because of the demonstrated need, the relative proximity to the USA, and the template of service that Common Hope provides to ERC teams = a **highly organized and meaningful week of international service** that addresses issues promoted by Rotary International.

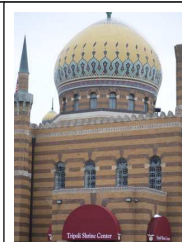
The 2018 team (which included Nancy and Don!) completed their trip this past February and their week included: building a house; teaching math skills in public "Common Hope (CH) Partner Schools"; making social work calls on CH affiliated families; and visiting 10 children sponsored by the team members and ERC. The mission, simply put, is **literacy and education**. More specifically, the mission involves guiding children who otherwise would be lucky to make it past fourth grade all the way through to high school graduation. This is a big deal in Guatemala and serves to allow career paths in fields such as bookkeeping, medical, computers, mechanics, and tourism. The alternative is usually a difficult life of work in agriculture, which can begin with small children and often last a lifetime.

This Week: April 26th – Coalition, WAWM CAD

Thank you, Terese Beauchamp



Many thanks to everyone who was involved with and who attended this successful event. Special thanks to Sherry Saiki for organizing the evening of fun & special awards. – including the Paul Harris Award to Don Falk of B&K Bar Supplies!



P.S. Super Silly Riddles ☺: What colorful letter can you eat? A brown E ♦ What did Geronimo say when he jumped out of a plane? "Me"! ♦ What is the hardest part of grammar for criminals? The prison sentence ♦ What kind of angel was Noah? An Ark angel ♦ What do you get when you cross a pig with a porcupine? A stick in the mud ♦ What do you call pigs that drive trucks? Squeals on wheels ♦ What is big, lives near a beach and wears sun glasses? A 200-pound-seagull ♦ What makes a goose different from other animals? Most animals grow up but a goose grows down ☺

**Rotary Club of West Allis
2017 - 2018**

FUN FACTS ABOUT THE ROTARY CLUB OF WEST ALLIS

The focus for April is Maternal and Child Health Month

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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 Merschdorf,

Steve Affeldt & Cathy Manthei



April Birthdays

Brent Halfwassen (4/01) ♦ Steve Hook (4/17) ♦

Erin Buhrmester (4/29)

April Anniversaries

April Rotary Anniversaries

Teresa Beauchamp 4/09/2014 (4 years) ♦ Brenda Merschdorf 4/14/2011 (7 years)

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

April 26th – Coalition, WAWM CAD

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

May 3rd – Shriners Hospital for Children – Dave Bowen

May 10th – Achievement Awards – Interact

May 17th – Digital Marketing – Holly DeBack

May 24th – Guatemala – Richard Muirhead

May 31st – Public Image – Mary Beth Seiser

June 7th – Off Site / Beyond Vision (across from Saz's restaurant)

June 14th – Water around the World, Pastor Danny Thomas



UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS, NOTES & OTHER

TriCon 2018 Wisconsin – May 4th through May 6th

Registration = <http://www.tricon2018.com/>

CALL the Wilderness to book your hotel rooms (Reservations 800-867-9453).

The Conference Discount Code and information is on your Conference Registration e-mail confirmation.

International Convention 2018 Toronto Canada – June 23-27

Registration = <http://www.riconvention.org/en/toronto/register>

For hotel rooms, check out www.AirBNB.com. Type in "Toronto" and click on "Toronto Homes" for pages of homes, rooms & condos from \$35 to \$144 per night. About 600 miles if driving = < 10 hours = easier if you share a ride.



Next Rotary Board Meeting – May 9th ♦ 5:30PM at the West Allis Fire Department

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