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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 1.18.2018



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 #64: **Rotary is about people**

The **heart of Rotary is our members**, dedicated people who share a passion for community service and friendship. While all Rotary clubs are grounded in the same values, **no two are the same**, because each community has its own unique needs and **unique members!**

Consider, for example, two Rotary Clubs in Philadelphia that teamed up this past October to sponsor an **Axe Throwing Tournament**. Yes, you read that right! Rotarians throwing axes.

When Rotarian Aprille Weron heard about Philadelphia's New Day Center – a Salvation Army -sponsored drop-in center that helps women and girls being trafficked for sex – she was shocked to learn that many of the people coming to the center were from the same neighborhoods where she grew up. "We think that trafficking is something that's far away," but these girls went to the same schools and as Weron and her friends.



Aprille Weron, right, and her friend Brooke Williams raised funds with an axe-throwing tournament.

Weron and Brooke Williams, another Rotarian from a different club, decided to help raise funds for the center. Held on 14 October, the **Salvation Army's Axe of Kindness 2017 Axe Throwing Tournament saw more than 40 community members** – including Weron and Williams, who competed as The Rotaraxers – hurling 1.5-pound hatchets at a target. "We threw a lot of axes that day," Weron says. As with darts, the goal in axe throwing is to get as close as possible to the bull's-eye. But the real goal, of course, was to **raise funds for the New Day Center – which the event did, to the tune of \$6,800.**

**Prior Week: Jan 4<sup>th</sup> – Jerailyn Jones, Mechanics of the Brain and Health**  
Jerailyn Jones spoke about the connections between your health and how you think. Being mindful – "the simple act of actively noticing things" – results in increased health, competence, and happiness. Jerailyn provided pointers on how to control your emotions in stressful situations.



Terese gives Jerailyn a 4-way test pen as a thank-you gift for her program.

**Last Week: Jan 11<sup>th</sup> – Nate Rice, WAWM High School Job Training**  
Nate Rice, a counselor at West Central High School provided us with a great presentation about college and career readiness. Programs are available in the West Allis -West Milwaukee school district that help students think about actions steps they can take now based on their career interests, including suggestions for courses to take, activities to participate in and career related volunteer opportunities or potential jobs.



Guest Visitors: Skylar of West Allis Central & Adriel of the West Allis Dottke Interact

**This Week: Jan 18<sup>th</sup> – TBD speaker, Beyond Blind**

Thank you, Terese Beauchamp



Activities that help students build skills include: job shadowing; resume writing; mock interviews & attending college & career fairs.



Congratulations, Deb Tietjen! for earning your permanent Blue Badge (all new member requirements completed)

P.S. **Special days in January!** January 18<sup>th</sup> = National Thesaurus Day ♦ 19<sup>th</sup> = National Popcorn Day ♦ 20<sup>th</sup> = National Cheese Lover's Day ♦ 21<sup>st</sup> = Squirrel Appreciation Day ♦ 23<sup>rd</sup> = National Pie Day (Elegant Farmer will have pies on sale!) ♦ 24<sup>th</sup> = National Peanut Butter Day ♦ 25<sup>th</sup> = National Opposite Day ♦ 28<sup>th</sup> = National Have Fun At Work Day ♦ 29<sup>th</sup> = National Bubble Wrap Appreciation Day ♦ 30<sup>th</sup> = National Plan For Vacation Day

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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**

**2018-19: Be the Inspiration**



RI President-elect  
Barry Rassin's theme  
for 2018-19,  
*Be the Inspiration*,  
asks Rotarians to  
inspire change in the  
world and in each  
other!

**January Birthdays**

Jim Mejchar (1/02) ♦ Marty Hedrich (1/11) ♦ Kent Waterbury (1/17)  
Kevin Haass (1/23) ♦ Joey Balistreri (1/25) ♦ Kathleen Dagenhardt (1/27)  
Harold Sloan (1/27) ♦ Lisa Berman (1/29)



**January Anniversaries**

**January Rotary Anniversaries**

Cathy Manthei 1/01/2012 (6 years) ♦ Chris Botsch 1/02/2014 (4 years)  
Jim Mejchar 1/10/1996 (22 years) ♦ Erin Buhrmester 1/12/2017 (1 year)  
Jay Wendelberger 1/15/2010 (8 years)

**THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM**

Jan 18<sup>th</sup> – TBD speaker, Beyond Blind

**UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

Jan 25<sup>th</sup> – David Fentle, UPAF

Feb 1<sup>st</sup> – Kevin Shaver, Milwaukee Metro Sewage

Feb 8<sup>th</sup> – Jessica, Crimson Charities

Feb 15<sup>th</sup> – Steve Hook, World Affairs

**UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS, NOTES & OTHER**

**Reflections of Wellness for Women** – Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>  
9:00AM to Noon / Great speakers, beverages & light refreshments provided.  
Held at: West Allis Central High School / Auditorium Entrance.  
To Register: [aurora.org/events](http://aurora.org/events) (keyword: Reflections) or call 888-863-5502



**64<sup>th</sup> Annual Waukesha Rotary Pancake Breakfast** – Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup>  
7:30AM to 1:30PM / All the pancakes you can eat and more!  
Held at: Waukesha Expo Center, \$5 Advance or \$8 at the door, For tickets: see  
any Waukesha Rotarian or contact Cathy at 414-640-8890 / [cpriem@wi.rr.com](mailto:cpriem@wi.rr.com)



**West Allis Community Dinner Dance** – Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup>  
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!



**reminder**

Don't forget - register for TriCon 2018 Conference  
May 4 thru 6 <http://www.tricon2018.com/>

**Next Rotary Board Meeting** – Feb 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, Wisconsin 53214 ♦ Thursdays ♦ 11:45 AM to 1:00 PM