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**ROTARY CLUB OF WEST ALLIS**  
**DISTRICT 6270 • CHARTER ESTABLISHED 1927**  
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## Upcoming Events

### Board of Directors

Officers  
President  
Sherry Saiki

Vice President  
Tim Klare

Secretary  
Brian Preiss

Treasurer  
Kathleen Dagenhardt

Sergeant-at-Arms  
Pat Wolfe

Past President  
Jim Mejchar 2008

Directors  
Marty Hedrich 2008  
Steve Hook 2008  
Dave Luttig 2009  
Wayne Tillmann 2009  
Rob Crenshaw 2010  
Jeannette Bell 2010

### Rotary Club of West Allis Foundation, Inc.

### Board of Directors

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President  
Mike Slawny 2008

Vice President  
Steve Affeldt 2009

Secretary  
Jack Driessen 2008

Treasurer  
Sue Zwitter 2010

Directors  
Jerry King 2009  
Don Charlier 2010  
Sherry Saiki ex officio

### Thursday, December 27, 2007

**District Governor, Ted Gruzynski**, shared his personal passion for Rotary and delivered the message of **Rotary International President, Wilf Wilkinson** as our pre-holiday program. Ted described the way the “magic of Rotary is that it allows ordinary people to do extraordinary things.” Trips to Niger, the poorest country in the world became the highlight of our district governor’s challenge. Both water and vaccinations for Polio, led to a greater understanding of Rotary commitments for Ted. He encouraged us all to further explore our dedication to the core missions of Rotary including, the elimination of polio in the world, access to clean water and education to improve literacy.

The **Lilac Bus**, a major club project for over 3 years, provides trips to low-to-moderate income seniors in the West Allis community lacking their own means of transportation for socialization. The initial success of this project has been a source of great pride for our club. It directly meets a community need and its ongoing operation is a goal shared by all. As this year comes to a close, please remember that matching funds, both from Joe Kempen and the Rotary Club of West Allis Foundation, go toward helping offset the costs of the **Lilac Bus**. If you make your contributions through the club’s foundation, they will be tax deductible.

Think about “**Every Rotarian, Every Year**” as you plan your end of the year donations. The monies collected by the Rotary International Foundation go to support many worthwhile projects like Group Study Exchange (GSE) and Ambassadorial Scholars, as well as returning cash back to the district to fund District Simplified Grants, among other things. RC of West Allis has often benefited directly from these grants and has been very actively involved in GSE over the years. If you need even more motivation to make a contribution, our club’s foundation will match up to \$100/year while members achieve their first **Paul Harris Award** for contributing a total of \$1,000 to the RI Foundation. Please donate any amount you are comfortable with, if you are able.

The **Super Bowl Raffle** drawing is today. Let’s hope we sold some winners!!! We’ll know next week and will announce the results.

Keep the Rotary Motto, “**Service Above Self**” in your consciousness and live your life with the **Four Way Test** as your guide.

### THE FOUR WAY TEST OF THE THINGS WE SAY, THINK, OR DO

1. Is it the truth? 2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships? 4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

### Today’s Program

John Klose, Jr. – Program Chair  
The Ins, Outs, Ups and Downs of the West Allis  
Real Estate Market

### Club Elections – Today

**Super Bowl Raffle** – Drawing today @ 12:30 PM  
Western Racquet Club, Elm Grove, WI

**Club Board Meeting** – January 9, 2008, 6-7:30  
PM WA Fire Dept. Administration Building

**Club Foundation Board Meeting** – January 8,  
2008 Immediately following Club Meeting.

**District Conference** – May 17-18, 2008  
Grand Geneva Resort

**Rotary International Convention** – June 15-20,  
2008, Los Angeles, CA.

### Birthdays & Anniversaries

Dave Laske – December 30  
Richard and Isabel Muirhead – December 28

### Upcoming Program Chairs

Sharon Kuhs – January 3, 2008  
Randy King – January 10, 2008  
Mary Steinbrenner – January 17, 2008  
Dale Millikin – January 24, 2008