

*We focus on Youth and  
Literacy*



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**(No meeting 5<sup>th</sup> Monday of the  
Month)**

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**Rotary Opens Opportunities**

**JUNE 14, 2021**

*With a focus on youth and  
literacy, the Rotary Club of  
Madison-Breakfast actively serves  
our community – local, national,  
and the world – by working  
together and contributing our  
talents, energy and fellowship to  
achieve the goals of Rotary.*

## **PROGRAM PROGRAM/EVENTS**



**June 14**  
**David Joliffe**  
“The Northwest  
Arkansas Prison  
Story Project”

**Guests June 7**  
Erin's Dad, Heidi Stanley

**Meals-on-Wheels drivers**  
June 17: Stephanie Stetson  
June 24: Betsy/Doug Nordstrom

**Bookpacking**  
Wed., June 15, 1- pm, unloading  
desks  
Tues., July 6, 4 – 6 pm  
Wed., August 4, 1:30 to 4 pm  
Sat., August 7, 10 am -12 Noon with  
District Governor Karen Herbert  
Followed by lunch at Ale Asylum at  
12:15 pm.  
Tues., August 10, 4-6 pm

New book donation guidelines:  
Accepting high school library books,  
but not high school textbooks  
because they are not needed at the  
other end.  
Accepting grade school level  
textbooks and certain books from  
the public libraries.

**Wed., June 23, 5 pm**  
**Zapote, Guatemala Water Project**  
**Documentary Viewing Party**  
Keller Williams Realty-West  
555 Zor Shrine Place. #100  
Host: Andrew Willits, 535-9909  
Pizza and pasta from Biaggi's and  
soft drinks  
RSVP Betsy Nordstrom at  
[bnordstrom@tdsw.net](mailto:bnordstrom@tdsw.net)  
By June 20

**Tues., June 22: 5:30 – 7 pm**  
**Club Board Meeting**  
Contact Erin for link

**June 2021**  
**Rotary International Convention**  
**Taipei, Taiwan**

## **FELLOWSHIP THEME FOR JUNE**



## **UPCOMING PROGRAM/EVENTS**

**June 21 - Caroline Hesse**  
“Making a  
Difference in  
Nuestro  
Mundo, Our  
World”



**June 28**  
**Bruce Harville**  
Recipients of the MBR Foundation  
grants

**July 5:** No Meeting, summer break

**July 12:** No Meeting, summer  
break

**July 19:** Frances Parker, Club  
Action Plan

**July 26:** Committee Fair

**August 2:** Getting to know your  
fellow Rotarian

**August 9:** Getting to know your  
fellow Rotarian

**August 16:** Service project

**August 23:** Action plan

**August 30:** No meeting, 5<sup>th</sup> Monday

**September 6:** Labor Day, no  
meeting

## Club Bids Farewell to Eng and Bill Braun



Bill and Eng Braun visit with former member Carol Dombroski and club members and friends on June 5.

On June 5, 16 club members and friends gathered at the home of Judy and Vic Levine to bid farewell to Eng and Bill Braun, who are moving to the west coast. Club members brought the delicious food and enjoyed visiting in person for the first time in a long time with new members and former members Bill and Carol Dombroski. Eng has been secretary of the club for many years and Bill has been a main stay at the Books for the World project. The club has fond memories of the Holiday parties each year at the lovely home of Eng and Bill.

## Racial Equity in the Wisconsin Health Care System

On June 7, Dr. Kathy Hartke discussed the racial bias that exists in medical care and especially the affect on maternal health. Racism is a serious threat to the public's health she said. Maternal mortality is rising in the U.S. as it declines elsewhere. Wisconsin has an overall health disparities grade of D, according to a recent study by the UW Population Institute of the UW School of Medicine and Public Health.

Longstanding systemic health and social inequities have put many people from racial and ethnic minority groups at increased risk of getting sick and dying from COVID -19. Black Americans are 3X more likely to get infected and twice as likely to die.

Wisconsin has the highest Black infant mortality rate in the nation, 3 times higher than white infants.

Approximately 25 Wisconsin women die each year during or within one year of pregnancy. Pregnancy-related mortality for non-Hispanic black mothers is 5 times the rate for non Hispanic white mothers.

Accepting federal funds to expand Medicaid is central to our efforts to improve the health and well-being of all Wisconsinites, Dr. Hartke advises. States that

expanded Medicaid under the Affordable Care Act saw a 50 percent greater reduction in infant mortality than non expansion states. Dr. Hartke, a long time women's health advocate, has testified in County and Federal Courts as well as the Wisconsin State Legislature on behalf of access to Women's health care. She graduated from the Medical College of Wisconsin in 1983 and completed her OBGYN residency at Mount Sinai Medical center. She has served as the Co-chair of the Wisconsin Maternal Mortality Review Team and on the Wisconsin Prenatal Quality Collaborative.

*Our thanks to Dr. Hartke for her important work and for her presentation.*

**President – Erin Hastey**

**President Elect – Gary Muldoon & Judy Levine**

**Treasurer – Doug Nordstrom**

**Secretary – Eng Braun & Heather Dyer**

**Past President – Betsy Nordstrom**

**Board of Directors:** Eng Braun, Heather Dyer, Mike Kafka, Judy Levine

**Webmaster/Social Media – Doug Nordstrom**

**Membership Chair – Judy Levine**

**Rotary Foundation Chair – Helen Baldwin**

**Exchange Students**

**Inbound:**

**Outbound:**

**Rebounds:** Emily (Sweden), Isabel (Colombia), Daniel (Denmark), Gabby (Taiwan), Mason (Thailand), Johannes (Germany)

**H.S. Youth Exchange Officers**

**Youth Exchange Officer:** Frances Parker

**Youth Exchange Counselor:** Amy Montoya

**Youth Protection Officer:** Rhea Myers

**Youth Exchange Outbound Coordinator:** Thom Weiss

**The Program Committee and Its Monthly Assignments**

January	OPEN	July	International Com.
February	International Com.	August	OPRN
March	Sarah Flanagan	September	OPEN
April	Doug Nordstrom	October	Betsy Nordstrom, Priscilla Thain
May	OPEN		International Committee
June	Judy Levine	December	Bruce Harville

### AREA MAKE-UP OPPORTUNITIES

**Check web sites for virtual meetings**

City or Club	Day	Time	Place
Rotary After Hours,	1st & 3rd Sunday.	Eve..	6:30 pm, The Park Hotel
Madison South	M	12:15 pm	Sheraton Inn
Lodi	M	6:15 pm	Hutchins St. Square
Oregon	T	6:45 am	Headquarters Restaurant
Sun Prairie	T	7 am	Colonial Club, Blankenheim Rd
Fitch Rona	T	12 Noon	Ten Pin Alley, Nesbitt Rd.
Madison East Monona	T	Noon	Howard Johnson's'
Madison Horizons	T	12:10 pm	Radisson Inn West
Edgerton	T	12 Noon	Culvers, Newville
Madison Downtown	W	12 Noon	Inn on the Park
Deforest	W	12 Noon	North South Smokehouse
Mount Horeb	W	12:10 pm	Brix Cider
Stoughton	W	12 Noon	Stoughton VFW Hall
Waunakee	Th	12:05 pm	Rex's Innkeeper
Madison West	F	12:15 pm	Blackhawk Country Club
Madison West Town	F	12:15	Zor Shrine Temple