

*We focus on Youth and Literacy*



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Rotary Opens Opportunities

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*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**  
**October 12**  
**7:30 am**  
**Virtual Meeting**  
**Brian Glenn, a member**  
**of the Shelter Box**  
**Response Team**  
**“Rotary’s Shelter Box**  
**program”**



**Guests:**  
Cheryl Schweiger, *guest of*  
*Andrew Willits*

**Meals-on-Wheels**  
**Drivers**

Oct. 15: Stephanie Stetson  
Oct. 22: Betsy/Doug Nordstrom  
Oct. 29: Gary Muldoon  
Nov. 5: Mike Kafka  
Nov. 12; Bruce Harville

**Calendar of Events**  
**October 14**  
**District 6250 Virtual**  
**Vibrant Club Workshop**

**Tuesday, Oct. 20, 5:15**  
**Club Board Meeting**  
**5:30 – 7 pm,**  
**Use the same link as for the**  
**regular meetings.**

**October 24**  
**WORLD POLIO DAY**

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

**UPCOMING**  
**PROGRAM/EVENTS**  
**October 19**  
**Brad Herrick**  
**Restoration of the**  
**Curtis Prairie in the**  
**Arboretum**

**October 26**  
**Committee report**

**November 2**  
**Guatemala Library**  
**Project with members**  
**of Club Rotario Los**  
**Altos**

**November 9**  
**International**  
**Committee report**

**November 16**  
**Dr. Bernard Micke of**  
**Wisconsin Medical**  
**Project**

**CONGRATULATIONS**  
**Kevin Frost – Rotarian**  
**of the Year**



Celebration of the completed  
water tower in Los Altos,  
Guatemala.

## Kevin Frost - Rotarian of the Year

On October 5, Judy Levine announced that Kevin Frost has been selected Rotarian of the Year for his work in Guatemala with the UW-Madison Engineers Chapter of Engineers Without Borders. This project brought the club an opportunity to work on a Rotary global grant in Guatemala on the building of a water tank supplying water to homes and a local school. The project gave the club a whole new level of involvement with the Rotary Club in Guatemala, a Rotary club in Milwaukee and other clubs in the area. Kevin and the students and members of EWB, did a lot of the physical work on the water tank and pipes in Guatemala. Kevin said that people in Guatemala gave up their homes for the students to stay in while they worked. Kevin showed slides of the big celebration at the finish of the water tank which was decorated with balloons and flowers.

## Betsy Nordstrom – What a Year!

Erin Hastey presented past president Betsy Nordstrom with a Paul Harris award for her “Improbable Presidency.” Betsy took over the presidency early when the past president went on maternity leave. Betsy set up a fundraiser at the Nordstroms’ home in the fall and had a pillow making session with area exchange students. She replaced one meeting a month for the club to work on the Madison Reading Project, and then led us through the pandemic setting up virtual meetings, while sewing face masks, all while we added new members.

## Combat Blindness International

Combat Blindness International (CBI) was founded in 1984 by Suresh Chandra, MD, now a professor emeritus with the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences at the UW-Madison School of Medicine and Public Health. Reena Chandra Rajpal, the current Executive Director of CBI, addressed Breakfast Rotary on October 5. CBI’s primary mission is to eliminate preventable blindness worldwide. For \$25, they can provide a 20 minute cataract surgery that allows a person to see again within 24 hours. Cataract is the clouding of the lens of the eye and accounts for 50% of all blindness. 36 million

people in the world suffer from blindness and 80% of that blindness is preventable. 90% of the world’s blind live in developing countries. To date, CBI has screened over 2.6 million men, women and children and provided nearly 370,000 sight-saving surgeries in 17 countries on 4 continents, including India, Kenya, Gambia, Vietnam, Philippines, Paraguay and right here in Madison, Wisconsin. They have supported the building of two surgical centers in India and the education of over 50 young women in India to become ophthalmic paramedical personnel. CBI has also screened children in 4K and 5K in Madison and hopes to expand to a free clinic in Madison in the future. *Our thanks to Reena Chandra Rajpal for her presentation and the wonderful work of CBI in the world.*

<b>President- Erin Hastey</b>			
<b>President Elect</b> – Gary Muldoon & Judy Levine			
<b>Treasurer</b> – Doug Nordstrom			
<b>Secretary</b> – Eng Braun & Heather Dyer			
<b>Past President</b> – Betsy Nordstrom			
<b>Board of Directors:</b> Eng Braun, Heather Dyer, Mike Kafka, Judy Levine, ,			
<b>Webmaster/Social Media</b> – Doug Nordstrom			
<b>Membership Chair</b> – Judy Levine			
<b>Rotary Foundation Chair</b> – Helen Baldwin			
<b>Rebounds:</b> Emily (Sweden), Isabel (Colombia), Daniel (Denmark), Gabby (Taiwan), Mason (Thailand), Johannes (Germany)			
<b>H.S. Youth Exchange Officers</b>			
<b>Youth Exchange Officer:</b> Frances Parker			
<b>Youth Exchange Counselor:</b> Amy Montoya			
<b>Youth Protection Officer:</b> Rhea Myers			
<b>Youth Exchange Outbound Coordinator:</b> Thom Weiss			
<b>The Program Committee and Its Monthly Assignments</b>			
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	November	OPEN
June	Judy Levine	December	Bruce Harville
<b>AREA MAKE-UP OPPORTUNITIES</b>			
<b>Check web sites for virtual meetings</b>			
<b>City or Club</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Place</b>
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	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
Wausaukee	Th	12:05 pm	Rex’s Innkeeper
Madison West	F	12:15 pm	Blackhawk Country Club