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Today's Program:

November 19, 2018

Rotarian: Don Stein

Speaker: Kathy McGrath

Program: Monarch Butterfly Village in Port Edwards Updates

Upcoming Programs:

November 26, 2018

Rotarian: Amy Kolo-Elmhorst

Speaker: Amy Kolo-Elmhorst

Program: Scout recognition

December 3, 2018

Rotarian: Nan Taylor

Speaker: TBA

Program: TBA

December 10, 2018

Rotarian: Doug Wenzlaff

Speaker: Justin Huebner

Program: Internet of Things

Past Program:

November 12, 2018

Rotarian: John Steele

Speaker: Dale Davis – Operations Manager SWEPS

Program: Hunger in Wisconsin Rapids



Dale Davis who is the Operations Manager for the South Wood Emerging Pantry Shelf (SWEPS) highlighted what is being done in our community to address hunger. SWEPS is providing seven days of food to over 540 families in our community each month. SWEPS, along with the Neighborhood Table Program, the Mobile Food Pantry, and the Family Center all serve people in our geographic area that are hungry. People that are served by the pantry are screened for need, and have to be eligible for Federal food stamps. Dale highlighted that in excess of 40% of the families in our area are below the Federal poverty income level! Several Youth Rotars read statements Dale obtained from SWEPS clients that have used the pantry. SWEPS partners with Feeding America in obtaining food. Local stores such as COPPS, QUALITY FOODS, WALMART, KWIK TRIP, and ALDI'S all supply food. Trucking companies that have food that can't be delivered for whatever reason also are also a source for Feeding America, and SWEPS. SWEPS also partners with 19 other food pantries in central Wisconsin to make sure any excess food at one pantry doesn't go to waste, when another pantry has need for that food. SWEPS is funded by donations from individuals, local organizations and local foundations. SWEPS has three paid employees, but is truly made possible by volunteers. Volunteers gave over 11,400 hours of time last year. Seventeen local churches rotate the responsibility of supplying the volunteers who serve the clients each week.

The latest edition of the District 6250 news can now be seen online at <http://www.rotary6250.org>

Rotary Memories

November 12, 2018 - Rotary Meeting

Honorary Rotarian:

None

Visiting Rotarians, Interact/RYLA Students:

None

High School Youth Rotars:

Abby DeRoche (LHS)
Michael Olson (LHS)
Emma Ruesch (LHS)
Jacob Rheinschmidt (Nekoosa)
Jade Martin (John Edwards)
Nick Smits (Assumption)



Guest/Guest Of:

Josh Pegram/John Steele

Make-Ups:

None

Email Make-Ups to Club Secretary:

Kent Anderson

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(Make-ups for missed meetings must be completed within two weeks (prior or following) the missed meeting.)

Resignations, Rule of 85, Leaves of Absence:

Leave of Absence: Jim Boyd, until June 1, 2019.

Free Lunch

George Mead



Happy Cup

\$21.00

Rotary Memories: Week of November 19, 2018

10 Years Ago

Jim Custer introduced fellow Rotarian, Celse Berard, who gave us an update on the current Riverview Hospital construction project. Riverview Hospital's inpatient tower construction project will be completed by August, 2009. The project consists of a 117,000 square-foot, 2-story addition above Riverview's emergency parking lot that will replace current outmoded inpatient areas on the 2nd floor of the hospital. The tower will have 48 large, private home-like rooms that are family-friendly and furnished to enhance patient safety and healing.

25 Years Ago

Earle Garber presented Art Gilmaster who spoke about the new \$400,000 YMCA Youth Sports Center in Port Edwards. Rotarians traveled by car and motor coach donated by Lamers Bus Lines to Port Edwards to view the new facility, which was made possible by donations from local businesses, private foundations and our area communities.

Announcements:

- On Monday, November 26th we will be hosting our Special Needs Scout Troop 105. Like in previous years, they will be selling some of their crafts. They will also be accepting donations of scarfs that they will be handing out to people who need them.
- On Wednesday, December 5, 2018, you are invited to help shop with Scout Troop 105 as they will have their annual Christmas shopping event at Walmart. If you would like to join them, they will meet at Walmart by the south doors around 5:15pm. After shopping, please join them for pizza at the Hotel Mead. Please contact Rotarians Amy Kolo-Elmhorst or Mark Olinyk, if you have any questions.

Estate Planning? Think Rotary!

Rotary can be the gift that keeps giving. Consider supporting our local Rotary Foundation as a part of your legacy. Ask Al Bardole, Chuck Gibbons, or Dan Guck how Rotary can be included in your estate planning.

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS:

Al Bardole +3	Joy Berg +8	Traci Biolo	Phil Brown +2	Sue Budjac +1	Jake Close +1	Marlyn Close
Todd Cour +2	James Custer +2	Nelson Dahl +1	Guy-Robert Detlefsen, Jr.	Jerry Feith	Susan Feith +1	Charles Gibbons +8
Paul Grinder	Ken Hill +1	H.M. Hughson	Tari Jahns	Tammi Jepson +1	Richard Kalscheur	Richard Kenney +3
John Kinsey	Robin Koeshall	Amy Kolo-Elmhorst+1	David Kumm +1	Ronald McCabe +2	Robert McGrath	George Mead, II +1
Warren Miller	Ahmad Musallam +2	Gregory Nettesheim	Michael O'Leary +1	Mark Olinyk +1	Bruce Rokke +2	Pam Ross +1
Kelly Ryan	Bret Salscheider	Lean Schmidt	Loretta Schoechert	James Shewchuck	John Siewert, Jr.+1	John Siewert, Sr. +1
Susan Sippel +1	Peter Smart +1	John Steele +7	Paul Wachowiak +2	Doug Wenzlaff	James Wenzlaff	Robert Zimmerman +4
Mike Zurfluh						