

# RAPIDS RIPPLES

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2017-18 District 6250 Governor

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2017-18 Rotary International President

## Today's Program:

December 18, 2017

### Holiday Program

LHS Choir Director: Julie Stoflet

Members of the Lincoln High School Choir will be singing songs of the season.



## Upcoming Programs:

December 25, 2017 – **No Meeting**



January 1, 2018 - **No Meeting**



January 8, 2018

Rotarian: Justin Herman

Speaker: Bridget Chariton

Program: Update on the SWCHS

## Past Program:

December 11, 2017

Rotarian: Ken Hill/Mark Olinyk

Speaker: Sam Dinga

Program: Makah Foundation – Water Well Project

Sam Dinga the founder of the Makah Foundation was the presenter at Rotary. The Makah Foundation was formed in 2009 after Sam lost his sister Makah Rosemary Dinga due to stomach complications. The Makah Foundation's mission has been to provide services that improve the lives and general well-being of children and women in Cameroon, West Africa, particularly in the areas of clean drinking water, education, and economic empowerment. As of today, the foundation has completed 23 water wells and the cost of installing a well is \$5,000. Sam Dinga and his group will be leaving again on December 28, 2017 to install a new water well in the Bafanji Village in Africa. The Makah Foundation is also in the process of building an orphanage. For more information on the Makah Foundation, please visit their website at <http://www.makahfoundation.org/>.



At today's Rotary meeting, Rotary Foundation President Bret Salscheider, presented Sam Dinga of the Makah Foundation a check for \$5,000 in memory of former Rotarian Robert Zimmerman. Betty Zimmerman and her daughter Penny were able to attend this presentation. In January of 2018, these funds will be used to install a water well in the Bafanji Village in Africa. Thank you to fellow Rotarians Mark Olinyk and Guy Detlefsen for initiating the fund raising efforts for this project and thank you to all the fellow Rotarians and the Wisconsin Rapids Noon Rotary Club Foundation, as your generous donations will truly make a difference. This is a wonderful international project that will help provide clean water to the Bafanji Village in memory of Robert Zimmerman.

# Rotary Memories

## Rotary Memories: Week of December 18, 2017

### 10 Years Ago .....

The Lincoln High School Chamber Singers, under the direction of Kathleen McConnell, presented a program of holiday songs and carols.

### 25 Years Ago .....

The Lincoln High School Acappella Choir got us in the holiday spirit by singing some classic Christmas carols.

### 60 Years Ago .....

A real warm Christmas message by Rev. Justus E. Olson of the Methodist Church of Waupaca was our treat Monday noon. Rev. Olson stressed three things that stand out in our lives - - - personal peace, a sense of purpose, and an attempt to become disentangled from the concerns of our own life. How close his message was to the very principles of Rotary was well expressed by "Most of us live in bondage to ourselves. Our attitudes toward people are determined by what those attitudes mean for our own personal advancement. Faith delivers one from that bondage and enables one to live with a purpose of service to others."

## Announcements:

- Thank you to everyone who donated to the memorial for former Rotarian Robert Zimmerman, as the Makah Foundation was presented a check for \$5,000. In January of 2018, these funds will be used to install a water well in the Bafanji Village in Africa. A special thank you to Mark Olinyk and Guy Detlefsen for initiating this international project in memory of Robert Zimmerman. The water well will help make a difference by providing clean water to the village.



December 11, 2017 - Rotary Meeting

### Honorary Rotarian:

Mayor Zach Vruwink  
Betty Zimmerman

### Visiting Rotarians, Interact Students:

None

### Youth Rotars:

Hannah Wangen (LHS)  
Zachary Wendt (LHS)  
Hope Lory (LHS)  
Miguel Mathias (Nekoosa)  
Ben Veverka (Assumption)  
Gavin Kniprath (JEHS)



### Rotary Exchange Students:

Valentina Vargas Bonilla

### Guest/Guest Of:

Deborah McCabe/Ron McCabe  
Patti Olinyk/Mark Olinyk  
Robert & Lisl Detlefsen/Guy Detlefsen  
Paul & Kristen Henslin/ Guy Detlefsen  
JoAnn Detlefsen/ Guy Detlefsen  
Penny Haugen/ Guy Detlefsen  
Betty Zimmerman/ Guy Detlefsen

### Make-Ups:

None

### Email Make-Ups to Club Secretary:

Jennifer Riggerbach  
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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 – Richard Kalscheur until 2/1/18  
Leave of Absence – Ahmad Musallam until 4/15/18

### Free Lunch

Dick Neuville

### Happy Cup

\$7.00

## 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.

### CURRENT CLUB MEMBERS WHO ARE

## **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	H.M. Hughson	Tari Jahns	Tammi Jepson	Richard Kalscheur	Richard Kenney +2
John Kinsey	Robin Koeshall	Amy Kolo-Elmhorst	David Kumm +1	Ronald McCabe +2	Robert McGrath	George Mead, II +1
Warren Miller	Ahmad Musallam +2	Gregory Nettesheim	Michael O'Leary	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						