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Today's Program:

April 9, 2018

Rotarian: Tammi Jepson
Speaker: Mark Broses and Kaylynn Stahlbusch,
Rotary District 6250 - Membership Co-Chairs
Program: Rotary Membership "Making a Difference"

Upcoming Programs:

April 16, 2018

Rotarian: Ahmad Mussallam
Speaker: Ahmad Mussallam
Program: "What would you do with \$38 billion dollars?"

April 23, 2018

Rotarian: Warren Miller
Speaker: Dan Guck and Chad Schooley
Program: American Legion Baseball

April 30, 2018

Rotarian: Mayor Zach Vruwink
Speaker: Joe Terry
Program: Urban Forestry

Past Program:

April 2, 2018

Rotarian: George Mead II
Speaker: Robin Ginner, Executive Director
Program: Trees for Tomorrow



The history and future of Trees for Tomorrow, a forest conservation organization in Eagle River, Wisconsin, was described by Robin Ginner, current executive director. Consolidated Papers, was a charter member of the organization, through the participation of Stanton Mead in 1944. Consolidated and now the Mead Witter Foundation have provided continuous support to Trees since its inception. Ginner, who is also a Rotarian, associated the mission of Trees for Tomorrow to the 2018 goal of Rotary International to plant a tree in the world for every Rotarian. Each year Trees for Tomorrow brings students ranging from middle school to high school age to its site on U.S. Forest Service property in Eagle River to introduce them to sustainable forest management concepts and acquaint them with potential careers in forest management. Students live on site for several days while interacting with trained naturalists and working on projects having to do with forestry and other environmental quality. For more information please visit www.treesfortomorrow.com.

Rotary Memories

Rotary Memories: Week of April 9, 2018

In an effort to highlight "100 Years of Service," this column will occasionally be used to recognize the accomplishments of our Rotary Club and our Fellow Rotarians over the past 100 years. This past Monday, we had an opportunity to recognize George Mead.

George Wilson Mead II Introduction at Rotary Meeting
Monday, April 2, 2018

It is a great pleasure to introduce George Wilson Mead II. George's grandfather, George Wilson Mead was a charter member of this Rotary Club in 1919 and George's father, Stanton was a member of this club for many years. George Wilson Mead II joined our club in 1958. At one time, we had three generations of Meads in our club.

George Mead's great grandfather, J.D. Witter arrived in our community around 1860. During the latter half of the 1800's, he helped take our community from a lumber town to a paper town. When J.D. Witter died in 1902, it was up to J.D.'s son, Isaac Witter, a Fellow Rotarian, and George W. Mead to carry on the family legacy.

George tended to the paper business and Isaac tended to other family interests such as banking. In 1903, Mr. Mead oversaw the construction of the dam on the Wisconsin River, just north of the present day Jackson Street Bridge. The electricity generated by this dam would power the Consolidated Water Power and Paper Company and by 1904, the first roll of paper was produced at the Consolidated mill.

The Mead family involvement in Consolidated would span over 100 years and during that time, put our community on the map as one of the greatest paper making areas the world has ever seen.

Without further ado, it is my pleasure to introduce George Wilson Mead the Second who will introduce today's program.

Editor's Note: A standing ovation was given as George made his way to the podium.

Announcements:

- Please welcome our Youth Rotars for the month of April. They are Kaidee Voight (LHS), Quan Higdon (LHS), Paige Vruwink (LHS), Molly Hannigan (JEHS), Ben Ashbeck (Nekoosa), and Claire Preuss (Assumption).
- Thank you to everyone who helped volunteer at the Neighborhood Table on Thursday, April 5, 2018. Our Rotary Club truly "**made a difference**" by sponsoring the meal and by volunteering to serve it, as over 200 meals were served!
- It's not too late to register for the 2018 Rotary District Conference in Wisconsin Dells held on May 4th-6th. This sounds like a great Rotary conference, if you would like more information on the conference, please visit <https://tricon2018.eventgrid.com/>.

April 2, 2018 - Rotary Meeting

Honorary Rotarian:
Mayor Zach Vruwink

Visiting Rotarians, Interact Students:
None

Youth Rotars:

Kaidee Voight (LHS)
Quan Higdon (LHS)
Paige Vruwink (LHS)
Molly Hannigan (JEHS)
Ben Ashbeck (Nekoosa)
Claire Preuss (Assumption)



Rotary Exchange Students:
Valentina Vargas-Bonilla

Guest/Guest Of:

Shawn Johnston/George Mead II
Cynthia Henke/George Mead II
Vincent Roze/Jennifer Rigggenbach

Make-Ups:

Melisa Reichert 03/26/18 – Online
Shelly Mondeik 3/26/18 – Sunrise Club
Mike Zurfluh 03/19/18 - Online
Mike Zurfluh 03/26/18 - Online

Email Make-Ups to Club Secretary:

Jennifer Rigggenbach

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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: Ahmad Musallam until 4/15/18

Free Lunch

Jim Boyd

Happy Cup

\$25.00

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.

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
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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 +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						