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Joe Ruskey

2017-18 District 6250 Governor

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2017-18 Rotary International President

## Today's Program:

### April 16, 2018

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

## Upcoming Programs:

### 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

### May 7, 2018

Rotarian: Amy Kolo-Elmhorst  
Speaker: Valentina Vargas Bonilla  
Program: Rotary Youth Exchange

## Past Program:

### April 9, 2018

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



Mark Broses and Kaylynn Stahlbusch, the membership co-chairs for Rotary District 6250 gave an update on the club and the district memberships. District 6250 has 62 clubs which offers many opportunities for Rotarians to attend meetings as there are clubs that meet weekly for lunch, for breakfast, and after hour clubs that meet in the evening. The style of the club meetings may vary, as clubs may use the traditional structured meeting style with weekly speakers or they may incorporate service projects and/or social events for their meetings. Over the past several years, Rotary International has become more flexible in their membership as some clubs are now offering corporate and family memberships, which may vary depending on the by-laws of each Rotary club.

Mark and Kaylynn complimented our Wisconsin Rapids Rotary Club and its members on their strong community involvement by "making a difference" by sponsoring the Special Needs Scout Troop, the Rotary Ramp Project, the Youth Rotars and Youth Exchange Programs, and for sponsoring/volunteering at community events like the Neighborhood Table.

If you would like to learn more about Rotary please visit <https://tricon2018.eventgrid.com/> for the upcoming Rotary conference, held in Wisconsin Dells on May 4, 2018 through May 6, 2018.

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

# Rotary Memories

## Rotary Memories: Week of April 16, 2018

### 25 Years Ago .....

Pat Arendt introduced Marshall Buehler, who with Don Krohn manages the Alexander House, Center of Art and History in Port Edwards. Marshall outlined the Alexander Houses' origin, tracing its actual start back to John Alexander in 1961. Alexander House as we know it is about two years old. The art and history displays are changed about every six weeks.

Marshall went on to explain the many other uses that the facility encourages, including club meetings, meal facilities for organizations, historical programs, research archives and musical programs. No charge is made for the use of the facilities nor is there an admission charge.

To date, over 7,300 visitors have viewed the art works. The meeting room has been booked nine times so far in 1993, and five special showings have been arranged for groups. The Alexander House is open Sundays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Marshall invited Rotarians and their families to stop frequently to see the art and history displays.

**Reminder from District Governor, Robert Zimmerman** – There is still time to sign up for the Rotary District Conference at the Mead Inn April 23, 24, 25, 1993.

### Announcements:

- A thank note was received from Drake Biolo who was a past Youth Rotar and RYLA student. Drake thanked the Club for their generosity and asked the Club to “please continue to do good in the world, as you are the mentors we need”.
- Youth Rotars for the month of April are Kaidee Voight (LHS), Quan Higdon (LHS), Paige Vruwink (LHS), Molly Hannigan (JEHS), Ben Ashbeck (Nekoosa), and Claire Preuss (Assumption).
- Reminder, as it not too late to register for the 2018 Rotary District Conference in Wisconsin Dells held on May 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>. This sounds like a great Rotary conference, if you would like more information on the conference, please visit <https://tricon2018.eventgrid.com/>.
- Mark Olinyk informed our Rotary Club the Kenya water well project done in memory of Robert Zimmerman has been completed. How amazing is it, that a \$5,000 donation from a group of Rotarians living in Wisconsin Rapids are “making a difference” by helping provide clean drinking water to four villages and 4,000 people.



April 9, 2018 - Rotary Meeting

### Honorary Rotarian:

None

### Visiting Rotarians, Interact Students:

Mary Jo Green/Sunrise Rotary Club  
Dean Veneman/Sunrise Rotary Club

### 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

### Make-Ups:

None

### 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:

None

### Free Lunch

Jim Wenzlaff

### Happy Cup

\$47.00

### 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
Paul Grinder	Ken Hill	H.M. Hughson	Tari Jahns	Tammi Jepson	Richard Kalscheur	Richard Kenney +3
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						