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Today's Program

Jeff Kuhn – Shawn Reimer WWLC Business & Conservation Services

Jan 30	Carrie Nikolai – UWEC Students “Casa de Hogard Orphanage, Peru”
Feb 6	Avenues of Service
Feb 13	John Moffat – Video Conference with Eau Claire Club
Feb 20	Martin Obsuszt
Feb 27	Brian Oswald - Eric Siler: LHS Technology & Engineering Career Pathways
Mar 5	Avenues of Service
Mar 12	Tom Paul
Mar 19	Jim Riebe
Mar 26	Larry Schmick
Apr 2	Tom Schneider

Rotary News

- Rotary welcomed our new January Youth Rotars Erin and Ryan Blokhuis
- Save the Date: April 17th Fundraiser at the Ridges. There will be three teams working on the event: promotions, sponsorship, and silent auction (for experiences). We will be celebrating our 25th year as a club!
- We received a \$2,500 matching grant from Modern Woodmen for the Community Outdoor Learning Center at Mead Elementary.
- Motion made, seconded, and approved as a first motion to donate \$50 to the Lincoln High School FACT club.
- Neighborhood Table sponsorship is February 20th, volunteers are needed.
- Seeking support for the Rotary International Foundation for our matching dollars and Every Rotarian Every Year program.
- We received \$180 from the Rafters Corporate Office based on our summer game fundraiser.
- Thanks to all who donated for Dove’s Nest, lots of items (see below)



Ryan Blokhuis (left), Erin Schlaefer (right)



Attendance: 34
Happy Pig: ~\$22
donated to the pig.

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Mary Jo Green (3)

Mary Wirtz

Nancy Mischnick

Tim Krueger

Tom Paul (4)

Tom Schneider (2)

Club Chairpersons

Vocational Service

Gus Mancuso, co-chair

Carol Davis, co-chair

Community Service

Dave Guse, chair

International Service

Nancy Mischnick, co-chair

Tom Schneider, co-chair

Club Service / Membership

Rick Merdan, chair

R.I. Foundation Liaison

Karen Kienert

Polio Plus Chairperson

Tom Schneider

Youth Exchange Officer

Felicia Gardner

Youth Exchange Counselor

Tom Schneider

Youth Protection Officer

TBD



Central Wisconsin Cultural Center

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Mission

Central Wisconsin Cultural Center advocates for the arts by recognizing and fostering creative experiences through classes, exhibits, music, and social gatherings as a vital element of individual and community wellbeing.

Sunrise Rotary welcomed Steve Kipfer board chair as well as Mary Olson and Carol Davis co-Executive Directors of the Cultural Center. The Cultural Center has been nomads for 25 years and they are now finally getting a permanent home of their own. They started out in the old DeByles building through a grant from the Mead-Witter Foundation. Two years ago, due to the deteriorating conditions of the building they moved into two floors at the old Johnson Hills building. In 2018 they received a great gift of the property of the old Ebsen's location (notice we have a lot of "olds" in this town?) This past year they had the opportunity to attempt to purchase the current WoodTrust bank building on 8th street with a \$300,000 matching grant opportunity from the Legacy Foundation. The match had to be made in only four weeks, and they did it! The facility has great exposure with average traffic of 18,000 vehicles going by each day. They look forward to having a digital marquee and promoting theirs and other events for the community to increase communication. The facility has about 7,000 ft², roughly the same as their current location though with more opportunities for classrooms and better gallery options with lots of natural light. They are expecting to move into the building in April or May, go through about \$150,000 in renovations and be ready for their first exhibit "Celebration of Trees" in July. They plan to use the drive-thru overhang as a venue for music in the summertime.

Their current exhibit is "Promenade of Pets" and the current courses are described below.



Future home of Central Wisconsin Cultural Center
Summer 2020: We're moving to
2651 8th St S Wisconsin Rapids

PROMENADE OF PETS Jan 16 - Mar 19



Humorous sculptures by Steve Wirtz and unique pet-themed art & photography by local artists! Join the fun Jan 16 - Mar 19
Central Wisconsin Cultural Center, 320 W Grand Ave, Wisconsin Rapids
Opening Jan 16, 5:30-7:30 pm, enjoy refreshments | Many artworks for sale
CulturalCenterArts.com | Show ends Mar 19, 2020 | Free admission

NEW CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

- **INTRO TO CERAMICS: Hand Building Clay** | JANUARY 18 & FEBRUARY 1 |

Learn the basics of hand building clay to create your own ceramic vase, bowl, or snowman. [Details >>](#)

- **CERAMICS/POTTERY OPEN STUDIOS** continue on most Tuesday evenings | JANUARY 7, 14, 21, 28 | FEBRUARY 4, 11, 18, 25 [Details >>](#)

- **MORE WORKSHOPS** [Click here >>](#)

