



# WISCONSIN RAPIDS SUNRISE SCRIPT

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District 6250 Wisconsin Rapids Rotary – Sunrise – Club No. 31198, Chartered 12/29/95  
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## Today's Program

### Tom Paul: "High Stakes Testing"

Mar 19	Andy Francis: Rafters Update
Mar 26	Larry Schmick: Kim Brewbaker "Renaissance's Past, Present, and Future"
April 2	Tom Schneider: Mark Mauersberger "Wood County Solar Project"
April 9	Avenues of Service
April 16	Fred Stich: Phil Brown, Noon Rotary 100 Year Anniversary
April 23	District Governor, Edwin Bos
April 30	Dean Veneman "The Circular Economy"
May 7	Mary Wirtz
May 14	Avenues of Service
May 21	Angel Whitehead
May 28	Nick Abts
June 4	Jim Riebe
June 11	Deanna Willems

### Rotary News

- We welcomed our new youth Rotar Alaina Bechard from Lincoln High School. She is in many clubs and music organizations and is interested in pursuing a career in music.
- The list of suggested fundraiser sponsors and contacts are in the following link [Link to Sponsor List](#) if sponsors need to donate to a 501c3 the designation would be the Sunrise Rotary Fund at Incourage
- Saturday, April 4 is the work day for the Community Outdoor Learning Center at Mead Elementary, we will be assembling the gazebo and benches
- WARNING: Rotary members in attendance at the fundraiser not wearing their Rotary pin may be assessed a penalty 😊
- During the April 23 visit by the district governor we will plan to tour him through Mid-State Technical College and the Community Outdoor Learning Center
- The club is looking for experiential raffle items for the April 17th fundraiser. See Dennis McCarville or Michael Kirshling for donation information.

### Save the Date:

April 17th Fundraiser at the Ridges.  
We will be celebrating our 25th year as a club! The entertainment will be from Erin Krebs, she was awarded the 2019 WI Female Vocalist of the Year! Cost is \$60 per person with tables for 8 for \$400. Please share the Facebook Event with your contacts.



**Attendance: 32**  
**Happy Pig: ~\$20 donated to the pig.**

### OFFICERS 2019/2020

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John Moffat (3)

Karen Kienert

Kristopher Gasch

Larry Schmick

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

## Avenues of Service – The Next 25 Years

Dave asked us to think about what we see for the future of our club, here are some of the comments.

- Water Filters: These are a clear need and an effort that anyone can understand. The 200 filters that the club has sponsored has helped approximately 800 people have cleaner water, less disease, more disposable income, less time securing clean water.
- ShelterBox: Setting these up at events lets people see all that is provided at times of need in the many areas of the world.
- Aquatic Center: The \$12 million project is funded by \$5.5 million from the city and they are in need of help securing additional corporate sponsors to get to the finish line for funding.
- There is an opportunity in collaborating with the Cultural Center on fundraising events
- Having more off-site meetings will help increase community exposure including attending our regional schools
- Opportunity to support the promising new Hannah Center in Wisconsin Rapids
- Promoting the need to learning how to swim and providing more opportunities for those that cannot afford it
- We can partner to support the emergency food pantry at Mid-State
- Stronger ties with the Rafters organization
- Annual house painting “Paint-a-Thon” painting a home of someone in need
- Puerto Vallarta “Families at the Dump”, with a number of club members that vacation in that area this would be an opportunity to build continuing relationships with this organization that provides support for area families in need

