



# 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

Bob Ebben: TBD

Nov 2	John Fanta
Nov 9	Fundraiser Celebration
Nov 16	Avenues of Service
Nov 30	Kristopher Gasch
Dec 7	Christmas Party at Alexander House
Dec 14	MaryJo Green
Dec 21	Kim Grover
Dec 28	Avenues of Service
Jan 4	Dave Guse

### Charity Chase (Point Totals)

Every Rotarian Every Year	12 pts
STS Water Filters	10 pts
School at Altenburg Farm	10 pts
Jeremiah's Crossing	4 pts

### Rotary News

- We welcomed our student Rotars, Kelly Schlaefer from Assumption and Zach Kozlowski from Lincoln.
- Valentina is selling pancake breakfast tickets for \$7 each for the basketball program.
- Congratulations to the Mead Outdoor Learning Center for winning the "Dancing for a Cause" fundraiser.
  - Mead Outdoor Learning Center \$1583
  - Love INC of South Wood County \$978
  - How Elementary/Aquatics Center \$572
  - Craisinettes \$388
  - Cranberry Guy and Roscoe \$288
  - Ryann Swanson \$278
  - Tianna Vandershi \$161
  - Porky Pig \$153
  - Thoj Sister Fitness Club \$152
  - Emily Deboer \$151
  - Heart Dance Group/Nicaragua \$116



**Member Profile:**  
John Fanta,  
Rafters, member  
since 2014.



**Attendance: 25**  
**Happy Pig:** About \$15  
was donated to the pig.

### OFFICERS 2016/2017

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Kurt Heuer	Tom Schneider
Jere Johnson	Larry Schmick
Joe Lane	Larry Koopman
Lynda Almonte	Josh Mason
Sue Siewert	Dave Mueller
Joey Marshall (2)	Ida Lee Siewert (2)
Steve Sternitzky	Wayne Johnson
Elaine Semrow	Ken Hanson
Kim Auman	Rosie Anderson
Sally Young	George Hathaway
Ralph Lau	Dan McCarville
Mary Jo Green	Dean Veneman
Dennis McCarville	John Moffat (2)
Lorraine Schmutzer	Tim Krueger
Kristopher Gasch	Barry Jens
Tom Paul (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



# Foster Care

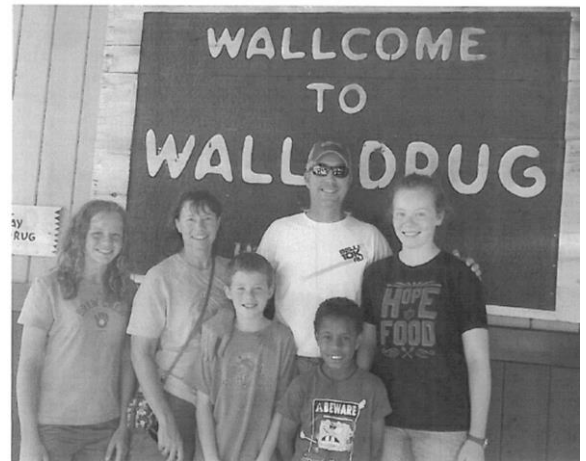


## Paul & Wendy Schlaefer (and Kelly) - Wood County Foster Families Needed!

### What is Foster Care?

Foster care is a home-like care provided by foster parents for children who cannot live with their parents. Foster care placement is usually temporary and provides families time to make changes so children can safely return home. Most children in foster care return home to their families. When children cannot return home, they find permanence through adoption or guardianship. Some kids age out of the foster care program without a family. Children can be in foster care for a few days or for a number of years. Common reasons are; abuse, neglect, parent in jail, drugs/addiction, or kids with health needs. In northern Wood County there are 25 foster homes and 32 in the south. There is a growing need for foster care in our community. In 2015 Wood County had 143 children in foster care, 210 in 2016, and 2017 is on track to surpass that level.

### The Schlaefer Family



### Who can Become a Foster Parent?

They come from all ages, all income levels, single or married, home owners or renters, work inside or outside the home, have children or are caring for children for the first time. They all have two things in common; they want to help children and they have the ability to roll with the punches. Most importantly foster families need to provide safe, stable and caring homes for children.

How can you help? Become a foster parent, spread the word about the need, encourage friends to consider being foster parents, and invite foster care coordinators to your events to talk about foster care.

### Rotary 4-Way Test. Of the things we think, say or do:

1. *Is it the truth?*
2. *Is it fair to all concerned?*
3. *Will it build good will and better friendships?*
4. *Will it be beneficial to all concerned?*



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