



RI Theme 2011-12
 "Reach Within to Embrace Humanity"
**The Rotary Club
 of Stevens Point [WI]**
 PO Box 908, Stevens Point, WI 54481
Club 2673 District 6220

April 17, 2013

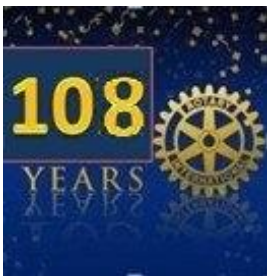
**Rotary Club of Stevens Point
 Welcomes
 Sara Brish & Melissa Sabel**

Stevens Point Area Convention & Visitors Bureau
'Tourism in Portage Count - a \$98M Business!'
Learn what drives tourism in the Stevens Point Area'
 Program: Sara Brish

GREETERS

April 17 – C. Breit & J Murillo
 April 24 – B. Patterson & A. Thompson
 May 1 – D. Marten & Mary Williams

APRIL 2013 RI THEME – Rotary Magazine Month "The Rotarian"



Birthday - Rotary International's 108th Year, Our Club's 96th

Rotary International: www.rotary.org
Polio UPDATES Daily - <http://www.polioeradication.org/Home.aspx>
Rotary Basics – great site – check it out!
<http://www.rotary.org/EN/MEMBERS/NEWMEMBERS/ROTARYBASICS/Pages/TheOrganizationofRotary.aspx>

District 6220: www.ridistrict6220.org
NEW - District Electronic Directory and Member information
<http://www.directory-online.com/Rotary/Accounts/6220/Newsletter/0/Rotary%20District%206220%20Directory%202012-2013.pdf>

Our Club: www.stevenspointrotary.com
 UWSP ROTARACT – <http://www.facebook.com/pages/UWSP-Rotaract/153776281332253>
Morning Club – Greater Portage County www.portagecountyrotary.com
 Friday 7 a.m. @ Portage County Annex Building, Conf Rooms 1 & 2, 1462 Strongs Ave



Rotary News & Views

-- Of the Club and Otherwise



Guests and Rotarian Visitors

- Visiting Rotarian Fred Leafgren, Toronto Forest Hills
- RYE France Zoe, SPASH & SPASH Heloise Rouyer, France
- New member Martha Garrett, Point Insurance

Announcements

- District Conference, Houghton, MI May 17-18:
 - AG Rick Jansing driving one car
 - Deb Freeberg another; enough for one more!
 - Conference presenters will include Pres. Terry; *Post Polio Syndrome* – Mary & Bob Williams, Ann Huntoon; and Rachel Ley, *Literacy for Little Ones*
- Polio Eradication in the World
 - The recent contribution of the Bloomberg Philanthropies to donate US\$100 million to polio eradication in conjunction with Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation sets a target to finish the eradication by 2018. This seems a long time away but with India just declared free and the final three war zones, Afghanistan, Pakistan and Nigeria – 2018 is more reasonable.
- GSE Team from Australia
 - Will visit both Stevens Point Clubs May 22 – they will attend our noon meeting. An agenda for the one day visit is being prepared.
 - This will probably be the last visit of a GSE team as RI has canceled future GSE exchanges due to cost.
- Spring Scholarships – Cliff King and committee meet to evaluate May 1, present May 8 to recipients from SPASH, Pacelli, UWSP and MSTC.
- Fall RYE from Finland – John Bergin looking for a 2nd host family for next spring.
- Portage County to Host Wisconsin Farm Technology Days [FTD] in 2014.
 - FTD is held each year in a different county.
 - The Visitors Bureau expects more than 80,000 over the three days, August 12-14, 2014.
 - Hundreds of volunteers will be needed for this \$1.3m event. \$250k will be raised by the host committee to showcase local businesses. All donations are tax deductible.
 - This could be a fundraiser for StePt Rotary.
 - Many details are being ironed out over the next few months.
 - This is a key event to showcase Portage County both in and out of Wisconsin.
- Raffle – Jim Firminhac [1st day back in a while after switching jobs], donated lunch \$ but no joker.

Speaker – Patti Cahill -- Everything ‘but the kitchen sink’ – United Way using nets and ladders to provide assistance and opportunity to Portage County persons in great need.

- The poverty levels in Portage County are surprisingly high.
- The statistics are presented in a copy of her power point attached to the forwarding email. They deserve a close examination.

- **PC United Way is using a series of ‘nets and ladders’ to provide some modicum of assistance and opportunity**
- **Carefully read the story of the Smith family – a for real soap – but we have too many Smith-like families around.**
- **In addition to the usual UW programs there are new ones coming on line, e.g. ‘Learn for Life’ and Patti’s own idea ‘No Child’s Wet Behind’, a diaper collection and distribution scheme.**
- **Stay tuned for more -**

Happy Dollars

- **PDG Dick’s update on Mary Lou – still at PCHCC, MFC visit went well, just taking a long time to repair the infection damage, rehab and get ready for a new knee.**
- **Thanks to Pres. Terry for his comments on the N. Korea situation.**
- **\$20 John Bauer**
 - **Wife is ready to go back to work after back surgery. Her nursing skills needed.**
 - **Son elected to a frat at Un MN internship at Duke.**
- **PE Ann Huntoon recovering from foot surgery, but it has been trying period with a death in the family, etc. And all geared up for the Prairie Chicken viewing, even if it does start at ‘o-dark 4:30’.**
- **José Murillo – wife and ‘crew’ had a wonderful time in Costa Rica.**

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Rotary and water – maybe the next big project area.

Through Rotary, community and business leaders come together to seek solutions, share ideas, and conduct sustainable projects that provide communities with safe water and proper sanitation.

World Water Day

The H2O Collaboration is one example of how Rotarians are working year-round to provide access to safe drinking water and proper sanitation. On 22 March, Rotarians will join the observance of [World Water Day](#). Established by the United Nations in 1992, the day highlights the importance of fresh water and the need for sustainable management of water resources. This year’s theme is water cooperation.

For World Water Day:

- Learn more about the [Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group](#), a group of water and sanitation experts who work to assist other Rotarians and provide the know-how, consistency, and credibility to develop solutions that succeed over the long term.
- Register by 31 March for WASRAG’s [World Water Summit V](#) on 21 June, in Lisbon, Portugal, and save US\$50 off the cost of attending. Meet world experts, share ideas with other Rotarians, and be inspired during this one-day event that immediately precedes the [RI Convention](#).

Salk vaccine anniversary

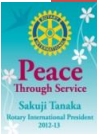
On 12 April 1955, medical experts announced that the Salk polio vaccine was “safe, effective, and potent.”



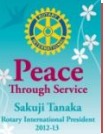
Today, we are on the verge of eradicating polio, but we need your help to cross the finish line. Today, more than 400 scientists, doctors and technical experts from 75 countries launched the Scientific Declaration on Polio Eradication. The declaration’s launch coincides with the 58th anniversary of the announcement of Jonas Salk’s revolutionary polio vaccine.

The world is closer than ever to eradicating polio, with just 223 cases in five countries last year. To capitalize on this time-limited opportunity to end the disease, a wide range of experts have signed the declaration to emphasize the achievability of polio eradication and endorse the [Eradication and Endgame Strategic Plan](#), a new strategy by the [Global Polio Eradication Initiative](#) (GPEI) to reach the end of polio by 2018. The scientists and experts signing the

declaration include Nobel laureates, vaccine and infectious disease experts, public health school deans, pediatricians and other health authorities.



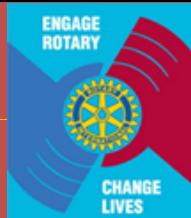
Rotary Program Hosts and Program 2013 Theme: "Peace through Service"



APRIL 2013		RI Magazine Month	
17	Sara Brish Melissa Sabel	Tourism in Portage County is a \$98M business! <i>Learn what drives tourism in the Stevens Point Area</i> Presented by Stevens Point Area Convention & Visitors Bureau	
17 [1:15 pm]	Pres. Terry	Board Meeting – following regular meeting	
24	Al Thompson VC Stu Affairs, UWSP	'Positive UWSP Relations with the Central Wisconsin Community'	
MAY 2013		Preparation for the New Rotary Year; RI Convention 2013 PORTUGAL	
1	StePt Rotary	Chartered by Rotary International; sponsored by Duluth Rotary	
1	Brenda Diamond	Dr. Calvin Selwyn, MD, Bariatric Surgeon, Ministry Medical Group - 'How can we change obesity within our community?'	
8	Cliff King John Bergin	Rotary Scholarship Recipients 2013 – Pacelli, SPASH, MSTC and SPASH Heloise Rouyer, Lyon-Cluny, France, SPASH exchange student with our RYE Zoë Hoche	
15	Jim Anderson	Mayor Halverson – 'Update – Stevens Point'	
15 [1:15 p.m.]	Pres. Terry	Board Meeting – following regular meeting	
18-19	Dist Conf	6220 District Governors Conference 2012 - May 18 & 19, 2012	
22	PP Patti Rous	Report on trip to Nicaragua and Estelí	
29	Dick Judy	Paula Houlihan & Toastmaster Team – ToastMasters in Action in our Community	
JUNE 2013		Rotary Fellowships Month	
23-26	104th International	Rotary International Conference – Lisbon, Portugal	
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12	Patti Cahill	Riverside House – An Update	
19	Pres. Terry	Club Assembly – final meeting of RI Year; Introduction of new officers for 2013-14	
20 [7:30-9]	Pres. Terry	Board Meeting - Library	
26	PDG Dick Judy	Former RYE Jenna Smith. Waupaca Rotary, UW Superior, Special RI Project, dysautonomia and related diseases	



Rotary Program Hosts and Program 2013-14 RI President Ron Burton, Norman, OK



"ENGAGE ROTARY, CHANGE LIVES"

Jul 2013	Literacy Month --New Rotary Year Begins	
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10	Vicki L. Bohman	Blood Center of Wisconsin [Vicki.Bohman@bcw.edu]
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Aug 2013	Membership and Extension Month	

The 4-Way Test

Adopted by RI in 1943

Of the things we think, say or do ---

- 1 - Is it the TRUTH?**
- 2 - Is it FAIR to all concerned?**
- 3 - Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?**
- 4 - Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?**