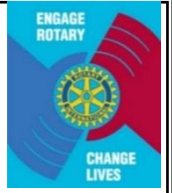


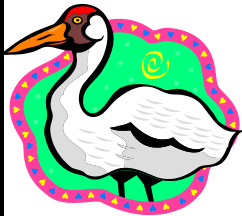


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 "Engage Rotary Change Lives"
The Rotary Club
of Stevens Point [WI]



PO Box 908, Stevens Point, WI 54481
Club 2673 District 6220

April 30, 2014



Rotary Club of Stevens Point

Welcomes

Hillary Thompson



"Reintroduction of Whooping Cranes by International Crane Foundation"

Program Coordinator: Karen Thompson



GREETERS

April 30 – Sandy Retzki & John Bergin



May 7 Brad Christopherson & S Murphy; 14 _____ & _____; 21 _____ & _____; 28 J Bergin & _____

APRIL 2014 RI THEME – ROTARIAN MAGAZINE MONTH



Rotary International's 109th Year,
Our Club's 97th – May 1st, 2014 - TOMORROW

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



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uests and Rotarian Visitors

- Rotarian Fred Leafgren, Toronto Forest Hills
- Rotarian Mike Glodowski, Wood Trust Bank, Wisconsin Rapids Noon [Jim Firminhac]
- RYE Inbound Otto from Finland.
 - What an 8 day adventure to Hawaii. Otto was wearing long sleeves at the recent meeting – got warmed in Hawaii and found StePt cold. They spent all Hawaii on Oahu visiting the Arizona memorial in Pearl Harbor, Diamond Head, catamaran experience, surfed, and many other wonderful activities but the flights were long.
 - He brought back a great box of chocolates which Pres. Ann put in the raffle.
 - But not to rest he was at Devil's Lake State Park this past weekend and looking forward to rock climbing.

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- No word yet on John Billing's hip replacement; and Mary William's tumble at home was an overnight at St. Mike's and back home.
- The United Way 'No Child's Wet Behind' challenge had been targeted to the morning club. The club with the largest count per capita will be the winner, well actually it's the 'kids who win'. The noon club board has already given \$200 to kick off the challenge so we are starting at 800 diapers or 13.33 per member – catch if you can, morning club. Final day for our club collection is June 11th.
- Green Circle signup – see Bob Stack.
- Place of Peace –next meal will be May 15th [more details as time approaches]. ROTARACT members have already started the volunteer process.
- President Elect Dave Marten still seeking 2014-15 officer volunteers – Cliff King has stepped forward as President Nominee [2015-16].
- District Governor Elect Tom still needs three volunteers for District officer positions – District 6220 is currently seeking qualified candidates to fill three leadership positions, with terms beginning on July 1, 2014. The positions available are for the District 6220 Membership Chair, the District 6220 Rotary Foundation Fundraising Chair, and the District 6220 Foundation Trainer. A description for each of the available positions from PE Tom, rotarytom6220@gmail.com.
- PAUL HARRIS Nominations - thanks for the more than a dozen received.
- Summer RYE Exchange – Scholarship to help has been established. MacKenzie Schulist will be the summer outbound but her country has not been determined. MacKenzie lives on an organic farm and has been active in FFA and 4H.
- Fall RYE –our fall inbound RYE will be a young lady from near Tokyo, Japan. Her name is Kashio Nakajima – she just turned 17 on February 20th. She has one older sister in college. Her two host families will be the Selwyns again and the MacKenzie Schulist family. Jen has talked with her and she is really excited to come, though I suspect the cold and snow were not a big part of the brief conversation.
- Rotary Minute –
- Raffle –
 - Box of chocolates from Otto – Mary Williams via Terry Arnold
 - Randy Sabien pair of tickets ; John Bergin and Ken Schmidt [Dick Judy already had his]
 - New member Brad Christopherson. Lunch \$ to Polio Plus but no joker.

Program: Bill Christiansen. Director of Foundation, PCBC

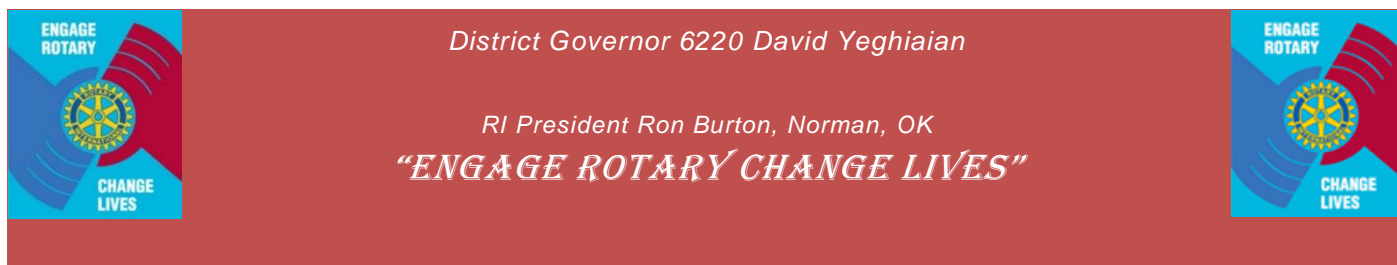
- Bill's presentation was sent by separate email – if you didn't receive just ask and I'll resend.
- He is responsible for many of the PCBC educational and workforce development but is separated from the PCBC *per se*. The PCBC building is 'leased from the foundation' as a matter of fact. The foundation has other holdings in the community.
- Major focus of the foundation is 'education' because of its powerful force for promoting opportunity and growth in the community. By definition he was talking about 'post-high school education or graduates' from apprenticeship though advanced degrees.

- Over the past forty years the income gap between post-high school graduates and everyone else has been getting bigger. Adjusted for inflation Americans who do not complete high school today actually earn less than similar Americans in 1970.
- Despite this, educational completion rates in the US have stagnated of past few decades. Nationwide, more than 20 percent of young Americans leave HS w/o graduating and only a third have a college degree. GED does not provide the same market boost. Portage County, happily, is an anomaly with much higher numbers [see Bill's presentation for details].
- Educational completion rates are only half the battle. As productivity increases in most sectors, achievement in education - as measured by student test scores – has too often remained flat.
- Five Goals and Challenges in and beyond county borders:
 1. Ensure early childhood service and programs are connected to K-12.
 2. Support a comprehensive education system for all students.
 3. Ensure access for business and workers to a full array of available workforce and educational services and support.
 4. Strengthen partnerships with all players.
 5. Long range goal of ongoing workforce development.

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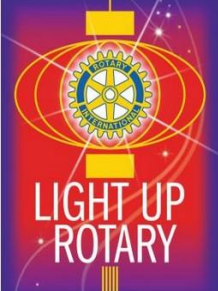
- **Patty Cahill** – still Italy, we are just slightly jealous.
- **Jim Firminhac**- got his Easter turkey with enough time to change and make it to church.
- **Jen Selwyn** –
 - Hannah arrives Aug 5th in GB – hope there is a crowd. Is well settled with third host family but distance to school longer; taking the Amazon trip this week.
 - Son got prom date although running late.
 - Talked with exchange student from France they hosted last year.
 - New RYE brochure is great – must credit to Jen for the layout and design, her artistic talent showing.
- **Sharon Stratton** – her husband also got his turkey Easter morning.
- **Jack Porter** – Otto's trip to Hawaii brought back his memories of the Islands, going to school when his father was posted to Hawaii, then his own later tour.
- **New member Brad Christopherson** 2nd child, no sleep. Such is life.
- **Todd Kuckkahn** with his foundation experiences appreciated Bill Christiansen's presentation.
- **Jen Selwyn** – Hannah made a presentation in Brazil about the Rotary Polio program.
- **Pres Ann**- added tickets to the Randy Sabien concert to the box of chocolate for the raffle. She also mention zombies but we'll let that one alone.
- **Todd Kuckkahn** added a plug for the May 15 'shredding party' at Schulfer's on Main. IROW will shred all you bring, there with be great 'shredded food' to enjoy and all proceeds with go to StePt Catholic schools.



MAY 2014		
International Convention Month – Sydney, Australia		
1 MAY 1917	Rotary Club of Stevens Point	Chartered by Rotary International [sponsored by Rotary Club of Duluth]
1-3	District 6220 Governor's Conference	Lambeau Field, Green Bay, WI – Hotel: Green Bay/Springhill Suites by Marriott & ALOFT Green Bay [conference registration – on line; hotel on-line or direct]
7	Cliff King; Scholarship Committee	Presentation of Rotary Club Scholarships to recipients from: Pacelli, SPASH, UWSP and MSTC
14	Karen Thompson	Dr. Fred Eichmiller, VP/Science Officer for Delta Dental of WI "The Science behind Delta"
15	Kathy Brandl	Place of Peace Meal [more details as time approaches]
21	Pres Ann	Attila Weninger, Superintendent, StePt Area School District

		'The Discussion Continues'
28	Deb Freeberg	Fire Fitness Camp: with Betty Lou "Guinness Book World Record Holder" for the 40 Minute Plank [at age 74]
JUN 2014	Rotary Fellowship Month--INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION JUNE 1-4 SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA	
4	Cliff King	Paul Harris Presentation
11	Jim Anderson @ new MSTC	Campus Dean Steve Smith: The new MSTC on Center Point Drive [catered lunch; tour new facility]
18	Pres Ann	State Rep. Katrina Shankland - "Life as a Freshman Legislator"
25	Pres Ann	The End is the Beginning – Welcome to Officers of 2014-15

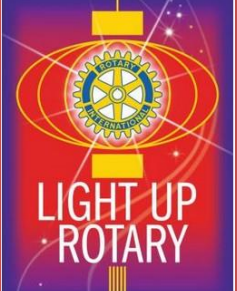
Board Meetings: 7:30 a.m. PC Library Apr 17, May 15; Jun 19



*Rotary Program Hosts and Program 2014-15
Stevens Point President – Dave Marten*

*District Governor 6220 Tom Berkedal
Appleton Noon
RI President Gary C. J. Huang, Rotary Club of Taipei, Taiwan*

"LIGHT UP ROTARY"



Jul 2014	Literacy Month --New Rotary Year Begins	
2	Pres Dave	Club Assembly; first meeting of new Rotary Year
9	Cheryl Breit	Eric Olson, Dir & Lakes Outreach Specialist UW Extension Lakes 'An Update on the Lakes Project:
12 Saturday	YMCA Lactic Edge	Run Course Marshals
16	Pres Dave	Brigitta Altman, College & Career Readiness Program Coordinator, SPAPSD
23	PP Terry Arnold	Update on DEFY program {Drug Education for Youth}
30	PDG Dick Judy	Morning club Pres. Corey and PP Brandon – 'The Nicaragua Saga'
Aug 2014	Membership and Extension Month	
6		
13	Todd Kuckkahn	UWSP Football Coach [fellow Rotarian] Tom Journell - 'What the 2014 Season Holds'
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27	Todd Kuckkahn	Jeff Tarras, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, 'Impacting the World or Sport, ALL IN'

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?**

Bring a Potential Member as a Guest

- ✓ **The member's name is entered into a drawing.**
- ✓ **Drawing will be held at the last meeting each month.**
- ✓ **Monthly Drawing September 2013 – June 2014**
- ✓ **Approximate Value of the Monthly Prize - \$50 [Dick Judy got the prize for March 2014]**