



RI Theme 2011-12  
"Reach Within to Embrace Humanity"

# The Rotary Club of Stevens Point [WI]

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Club 2673 District 6220



## July 27, 2011



Rotary Club of Stevens Point  
Welcomes

### Molly Kuckkahn

Red Panthers Girls' Hockey Team  
"A Unique Girls' Hockey Team –  
Multiple High Schools and Communities Together"

Program Host: Todd Kuckkahn



### July 27–Don Tomaso & LeRoy Heiser

- August 3 - Todd Kuckkahn & Jeff Lukasavige
- August 10 – Julie Mouw & José Murillo
- August 17 – David McHone & David Marten
- August 24 – John Billings & Joel Becker
- August 31 – Ann Huntoon & Shelly Martin
- September 7 – Terry Arnold & \_\_\_\_\_



## Coming Events

**24<sup>th</sup> Annual Rose Sale 2011** Sweetest Weekend, Oct 13-15.

Status of Rotary Polio Programs <http://www.rotary.org/en/EndPolio/Pages/ridefault.aspx>

*Rotary Basics – great site – check it out!*

<http://www.rotary.org/EN/MEMBERS/NEWMEMBERS/ROTARYBASICS/Pages/TheOrganizationofRotary.aspx>



## JULY 2011 RI THEME – Rotary Literacy Month Rotary International's 106th Year and Our Club's 94th

Rotary Intl: [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) District: [www.ridistrict6220.org](http://www.ridistrict6220.org)

Our Club: [www.stevenspointrotary.com](http://www.stevenspointrotary.com)

UWSP ROTARACT – <http://www.facebook.com/pages/UWSP-Rotaract/153776281332253>

Morning Club – Greater Portage County [www.portagecountyrota.com](http://www.portagecountyrota.com) [Comfort Inn, Plover, Friday 7 a.m.]

# Rotary News & Views

-- Of the Club and Otherwise



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### uests and Rotarian Visitors

- Rotary Visitors - none
- Guests - none

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### nnouncements

- Treasurer Nick Inman reported that invoices will be in the email pretty soon – but if you don't have email not to worry – you'll get yours.
- **GREEN CIRCLE** – three openings - contact Cheryl Breit for week of August 14, 28 and September 11.
- **RYE Inbound – Utku Kurtaran, Izmir, Turkey** still looking for a 2<sup>nd</sup> host family. The Brandls have volunteered to be the first host; help John Bergin find #2..
- **RYLA** – our club will sponsor 4 for the fall's week-end program, Oct 14-16. 10 candidates for 4 openings are wonderful.
- **50-50 Raffle** – Brad Corbett AGAIN – gave to Polio Plus but no joker.

Presenter Margaret Lewis, ED, WI Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters

“Building a Thinking Community in Wisconsin”

- “Connecting People and Ideas for a Better Wisconsin” is the primary theme of the Academy. Check their website and become a member <http://www.wisconsinacademy.org/>
- The Wisconsin Academy, **founded in 1870**, is an independent, nonprofit organization, separate from state government and the university. We are funded by grants, by private endowments and by our members. Only three states have a combined Academy like Wisconsin.
- The nonprofit Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters connects people and ideas from all areas of knowledge and all walks of life to celebrate thought, culture and nature in our state and help solve our common problems.
- The Wisconsin Academy serves as a catalyst for ideas and action through exciting programs with which you can easily connect. By becoming a member, you not only support these vital programs but enhance your life by becoming a part of them. Wisconsin Academy programs include the James Watrous Gallery at the Overture Center for the Arts, a gallery by and for Wisconsin artists; *Wisconsin People & Ideas*, our quarterly magazine about Wisconsin thought and culture; Academy Evenings, our statewide series of public forums; and the Wisconsin Idea, a public policy program the most recent of which focuses on "The Future of Farming and Rural Life in Wisconsin."
- A focus this year will be on remembering 9-11 events.



- In addition, the Academy will focus on expanding digital offerings for many parts of the state which are not covered by Academy, which for obvious reasons is more concentrated on Milwaukee, Madison and some of the larger cultural centers. Live streaming of many programs will be brought on line. And, some more video capturing of events and activities.
- One very interesting website is [www.ted.com](http://www.ted.com) 'ideas worth spreading'. TED is a nonprofit devoted to Ideas Worth Spreading. It started out (in 1984) as a conference bringing together people from three worlds: Technology, Entertainment, Design. Since then its scope has become ever broader. Along with two annual conferences -- the TED Conference in Long Beach and Palm Springs each spring, and the TED Global conference in Edinburgh UK each summer -- TED includes the award-winning TEDTalks video site, the Open Translation Project and TED Conversations, the inspiring TED Fellows and TEDx programs, and the annual TED Prize

## Happy Dollars

- John Billings talked us into an IOU – the Tuesday storm left them w/o A-C, refrigeration – like so many.
- PP Sharon Stratton was enjoying her Hawaii dress when she noted that Suzanne Murphy was similarly attired – that cool look – way to go gals.
- Brad Corbett – wife and son in South Dakota last week and happy times – some concern about his motives – ha!!
- José Murillo like many of us whose homes were untouched by the storms; though he didn't report that his bank's sign was torn apart by the winds.
- Nick Inman headed for Minnesota for a three mile race – good luck, Nick, and look forward to a report.
- \$2 Terry Arnold thankful that his Plover neighbor wasn't hit with the wind storm.
- PDG Dick Judy misses granddaughter Dani already – needs her technological expertise for that new 'smarter than me' phone.
- Member Chair Ann Huntoon fled to the Northwoods and A/C for her dogs, and probably David, when the storm hit and power was lost.

## Future Programs -

- When you have a program please let PDG Dick Judy know so it can be entered in the schedule.
- If you need a projector and screen call the SPCC in advance.

| AUGUST |                             | Membership and Extension Month   |
|--------|-----------------------------|--|
| 3      | PDG Dick Judy               | Jason Draheim, AP MGR, StePt Muni Apt – “Growing with the Community”   |
| 10     | Suzanne Murphy              | Jessica Congson, Interim Director, Family Connections in Portage County, Inc. – ‘New Home, More Services – for Needy Families’ |
| 17     | Jnt Meeting Optimist/Rotary | Jeff Ebel, Optimist/SCORE/PCBC Ambassador – ‘Developing and Using the Elevator Speech for Your Club’                           |
| 24     |                             |  |
| 31     | Pres. Rick                  | DG Joe Jones’ ‘Official Visit’ to our club.  |

## From Rotary International -

This is definitely worth repeating - be most proud Rotarians - what an accomplishment-- 25 years and only an Inch to GO! The defeat of polio worldwide.

After more than 25 years of hard work, Rotary and its partners are now “This Close” to eradicating polio, and a wide array of public figures and celebrities from Bill Gates to Ziggy Marley have signed on to help Rotary spread the word. Now, the general public is invited to join them in an online campaign at [www.thisclose.net](http://www.thisclose.net).

At an online application, visitors can upload their image into an online version of the existing public service announcement, wearing “End Polio” t-shirt, with fingers held up in a simple hand gesture to show that Rotary is “this close” to wiping out polio worldwide.

They can share their virtual pledge through FaceBook and Twitter, and browse an interactive map and gallery of participants from across the globe. The final ads are entered into a gallery that includes Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu and a diverse lineup of influential leaders and personalities.

The “This Close” public service campaign includes action movie star Jackie Chan, conservationist Dr. Jane Goodall, premier violinist Itzhak Perlman, Grammy Award winners A.R. Rahman, Angelique Kidjo and Ziggy Marley, golfing great Jack Nicklaus, and peace advocate Queen Noor of Jordan. Nicklaus, Perlman and Tutu are themselves survivors of this crippling disease.

Developed and produced by Evanston-based I-Imagine, the [www.thisclose.net](http://www.thisclose.net) application follows the success of a previous virtual campaign, [www.kickpoliooutofafrica.org/](http://www.kickpoliooutofafrica.org/), which gathered more than 11,000 online signatures in support of polio eradication in the lead up to the 2010 World Cup.

Polio eradication has been Rotary’s top priority for more than two decades. The international humanitarian service organization is a spearheading partner in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, along with the World Health Organization, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and UNICEF.

Rotary club members worldwide have contributed more than \$1 billion and countless volunteer hours to the polio eradication effort, and have recently pledged to raise an additional US\$200 million to match \$355 million in challenge grants from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. All of the resulting \$555 million will be spent in support of eradication activities.

Great progress has been made, and the incidence of polio infection has plunged from about 350,000 cases in 1988 to fewer than 1,300 reported cases in 2010. More than two billion children have been immunized in 122 countries, preventing five million cases of paralysis and 250,000 pediatric deaths.



This is the 2011-12 RI Logo for RI President Kalyan Banerjee’s year. His focus is on “[Rotary] . . . to become the preferred organization for today’s generation to join and participate in, to make the world better and safer and happier”. “Reach Within to Embrace Humanity”.



## 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?**