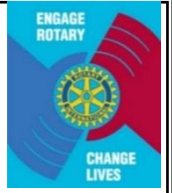


RI Theme 2013-14  
 "Engage Rotary Change Lives"  
**The Rotary Club**  
**of Stevens Point [WI]**



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

March 12, 2014

**Rotary Club of Stevens Point**



Welcomes  
 Craig Schuler & Doug Schneider



"TransACT Hope"

Program Coordinator: Jim Anderson



***GREETERS***

*March 12 – Terry Arnold &*



March 19 - & ; 26 - &  
 Apr 2 – J Baehr & T Arnold

**MARCH 2014 RI THEME – WORLD LITERACY MONTH**



Rotary International's 109th Year,  
 Our Club's 96<sup>th</sup> [almost 97<sup>th</sup>]

Rotary International: [www.rotary.org](http://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](http://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](http://www.stevenspointrotary.com)

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

Morning Club – Greater Portage County [www.portagecountyrotary.com](http://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



## G

### uests and Rotarian Visitors

- Rotarian Fred Leafgren, Toronto Forest Hill
- New member Jenna Lind, Life Enrichment Director, Emeritus @ Oakridge [replaces Marsha McDonald and Joel Wegner]
- Dan Blumenstein, Lead Engineer, YES, LLC [Younger Enterprise Systems]
- Otto, Inbound RYE from Finland. Birthday was a blast especially when he was the taste tester for the world's 3<sup>rd</sup> hottest sauce; loved learning to kayak even in the SPASH pool [outdoors when it warms up]; traveling to Hawaii soon [lucky guy]

## A

### nnouncements

- Thanks from Tommy Leafgren - glad to be back home and thanks to the Rotary Club for the beautiful flowers.
- Update on Deb Freeberg – last week's surgery went well in Milwaukee and Deb came back home last Wednesday. She sent a note of thanks to the club for her beautiful flowers also from Bev's Floral --- where else. She expects be away from work and the club for about five more weeks. Here is her note: Please Thank the Rotary Club for me for the beautiful flowers and well wishes. I was in surgery Monday for 8 hours and now have 30 permanent screws in my jaw and its joints. 9" incisions on each side and some temporary paralysis on the left. I'm not talking much and have lots of bruising and swelling. The road to recovery is going well and Kirk and the kids are taking good care of me. The Doctors and nurses were awesome and I was blessed to have such a talented team. Since January they have completed the same procedure on 12 other patients ranging in age from 40 to 57. I'll be taking at least 6 weeks from work and hope to be back part time after that. Not sure how long. Once again thanks for the well wishes and I look forward to seeing you soon. Debbie
- PETS – PE Dave Marten and AG Rick Jansing attended this past weekend. No report yet.
- Nicaragua suitcase – Know it got there and Brandon is back. But no pictures yet.
- Paul Harris Pin – Cliff King was presented his 3<sup>rd</sup> award; he is also a Paul Harris Sustaining Member
- Place of Peace –next meal will be May 15th [more details as time approaches].
- Outbound Hannah update: Skyped – really enjoyed Mardi Gras – really different than U.S. but not the scene like real big towns; this week she and a student friend from Taiwan are going to north Brazil for a holiday. Planning a long break when Brazil hosts World Soccer games. Volunteering again at little kids' school.
- President Elect Dave Marten looking for 2014-15 officer volunteers – before he has to put pressure on.
- Summer RYE Exchange – Scholarship to help has been established. MacKenzie Schulist will be the summer outbound but her country has not been determined.
- 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 20<sup>th</sup>. 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.
- 2014 District Conference planning time – May 1-3 at Lambeau Field, Green Bay. Register now; on line is available. **You get a \$30 break for registering before April 15<sup>th</sup>.**
- PAUL HARRIS Nominations – Forms and list of former recipients have been distributed with return to Cliff King by May 25 – loads of time. Presentation of three club PHF will be last meeting of Pres. Ann's tenure. PHF may be nominated from current or former club members or deserving community members or groups.
- Club Anniversaries and member birthdays
  - Club Anniversaries – PP/Secretary & Treasurer Ardie Lange – **50!!! yes 50!!!!**; PP Sharon Stratton – 13.
  - Member birthdays not in order of age – ha!! Mar 1<sup>st</sup> – Randy Zietlow; 14<sup>th</sup> – Todd Kuckkahn; Dave Kievet on 21<sup>st</sup> and Patti Cahill March 25<sup>th</sup> [who only admits to 39+1]

- Rotary Minute – Sandy Retzki, had been getting Rotary Roses for years from some nice benefactor. Knew a lot about Rotary but it was master recruiter Jim Anderson that finally got me to join when I moved to M&I, now BMO Harris Bank.
- Raffle –New member Robin School – the winning ticket, but she missed the joker.

Program: Ali Swan, My Innovative Services, Employment Specialist.

- Introduced by proud mom PP Sharon Stratton. Ali and her brother both graduated from UWSP in December, Ali after only 3 ½ years. Ali is an Amherst grad and a starter on the women's State Basketball champions. She also snagged a husband while at UWSP.
- Innovative Services works with persons with disabilities to find work within their skills and physical limitations. Their motto of 'In Every Person...A Possibility'.
- She showed pictures and described the satisfaction of working with those with developmental disabilities and helping them succeed.
- Ali was just promoted and will be working from the Wausau office.

## **H**appy Dollars –

- Sara Brish and Pres. Ann attended Governor's Tourism conference and had a blast.
- Ali – what a job I have – happy to talk about it.
- PP Sharon – son just got a job also – happy homestead.
- Someone chimed in so quite never got why the happy dollar – so we're just happy for them.
- \$3 Tom Bertz
  - Great to see Ali.
  - Front page article and picture with Tom getting about Pointer BB tickets worth it!! And they continue to win though both games were cardiac tests.
- Dave Marten – was great to show Otto and host brother the machine business.
- Mary Williams knew that Otto would be pleased with Olympic hockey after Finland beat U.S. – and Otto noted that Finland is 60 times smaller than the U.S. at least population wise.
- Terry Arnold 20 years ago worked with Navy and State Dept. on a project DEFY, Drug Education for Youth [one of a number of computer based programs].
- \$3 Martha Garrett –
  - GS took 1<sup>st</sup> in two Pine Wood Derby races
  - Martha's daughter and GD got the visit the Fox Theater in St. Louis.
  - Interact in Pocatello, ID had many fundraisers.
- Jack Porter glad to have Ali Stratton Swan as a presenter – her basketball days made Jack follow Amherst more closely.
- Kathy Trachte put in a bundle but never heard why.

## **R**OTARACT Week – March 10 – 16

Every year, World Rotaract Week honors the chartering of the first club in North Carolina, USA, on 13 March 1968. Rotaract was officially inaugurated during January 1968 under R.I. President Luther Hodges. World Rotaract Week, observed annually the week of 13 March, is designed to foster Rotaract-Rotary activities in celebration of the founding of the Rotaract program. This event is also an excellent opportunity to inform members of your community about the amazing work that Rotaract clubs do, and give them an opportunity to get involved.

Rotaract clubs and their sponsor Rotary clubs [StePt & PCGPC] have the freedom to explore a variety of methods of participating in World Rotaract Week. Rotaractors can decide the best way for their club to celebrate the Rotaract program – completing one, two or an entire week's worth of activities.

You are encouraged to explore Rotaract on their website or Facebook

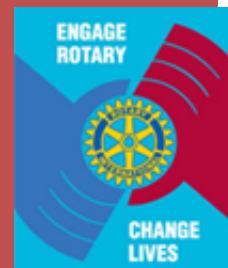
at <https://www.facebook.com/events/1377570515796816/?ref=ts>  
or UWSP <http://www.facebook.com/pages/UWSP-Rotaract/153776281332253>



*District Governor 6220 David Yeghiaian*

*RI President Ron Burton, Norman, OK*

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<b>MAR 2014</b>	<b>Literacy Month</b> World ROTARACT Week	
19	John Bergin	Inbound RYE Student Presentations: Noon Club - Otto – Finland; Morning Club - Giulia Priore - Brazil
26	Pres Ann	Barb Gifford “ Little Plover River and Central Sands Groundwater Update”
<b>APR 2014</b>	<b>RI Magazine Month</b>	
2	John Baehr	Chef C, Christian’s Bistro - ‘Fine Dining in Central Wisconsin’
9	Pres Ann	Zach Bishop “Transitional Housing Need in Portage County.”
16	Tom Bertz	Sentry CEO Pete McPartland
23	Terry Arnold	Bill Christiansen, Director of Foundation, PCBC – ‘Workforce Development Initiatives’
30	Karen Thompson	Hillary Thompson “Re-introduction of Whooping Cranes by International Crane Foundation”
<b>MAY 2014</b>	<b>International Convention Month – Sidney, Australia</b>	
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]
<b>JUN 2014</b>	<b>Rotary Fellowship Month--INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION JUNE 1-4 SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA</b>	
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: PC Library 7:30 a.m. Feb 20; Mar 20, Apr 17, May 15; Jun 19**

## 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**

**Occasionally we might share some thought-provoking ideas to help the members think about potential guests.**