



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

The Rotary Club of Stevens Point [WI]

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Club 2673 District 6220



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Rotary Club of Stevens Point Welcomes



Rotary Scholarship Winners Pacelli, SPASH, MSTC, UWSP

Program Arrangements - Cliff King



GREETERS

May 9 – Eric Beurman & John Bergin



May 16 - Brandl & Stratton; 23 – Bergin, M Williams; 30 – Kuckkahn & Murillo
Jun 6- Kampo & Murillo; Jun 13- M Williams & Kampo; Jun 20 McHone & Marten; 27- Murphy & King

Coming Events

MAY 2012 RI THEME – INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION MONTH & PREPARATION FOR NEW ROTARY YEAR



District 6220 Conference – Waupaca Hosts – May 18/19

Rotary International's 107th Year and Our Club's 95th

Rotary Intl: www.rotary.org District: www.ridistrict6220.org

Our Club: www.stevenspointrotary.com

Polio UPDATE Daily - <http://www.polioeradication.org/Home.aspx>

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, Conference Room 1 & 2, 1462 Strongs Ave]

Rotary Basics – great site – check it out!

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

Rotary News & Views

- - Of the Club and Otherwise



Guests and Rotarian Visitors - none

Announcements

- Club Picnic – June 27, Bukolt Pavilion, Rockman Catering everything – now is the time to ensure your spouse, special friends, former Rotarians, alumni from GSE, RYE, RYLA, etc. know about our outing to celebrate the end of another Rotary year. Naturally there will be no noon meeting that day.
- Have you nominated a Positive Athlete? Details have been distributed but ask again if you've lost the email.
- District Conference – May 18-19. Club will be recognized Saturday morning, May 19th for our 95th Birthday.
- Highway 54 first cleanup May 16, 5:00 till done. Meet Ardie Lange @ parking lot near entrance of Elizabeth Inn. Look for Ardie's truck - bring gloves, a pickup device is handy; Ardie will have plastic bags and our Rotary reflective vests. Plan about hour and half for the two mile stretch.
- 50-50 Raffle – winner for raffle and CWSO Jazz ticket left early – gets to pick a card this week; Rick Jansing got the 2nd CWSO Jazz Concert ticket.

Presenter: PE Terry Arnold – report on the Washington D.C. conference – “An Affordable World Security”.

- Power Point slides previously distributed.
- Terry was one of ~40 selected presenters; the entire especially audience was similarly chosen for their expertise.
- Two Nobel Laureates and a host of dignitaries were there including the retired President of Costa Rica.
- An excellent web link is www.affordableworldsecurity.org which includes the entire conference video. A book will soon be published.
- Terry told a short but rather complicated story about getting the air force to move an 'ark' full of animals from India to the states. The rhino which started it all as a 'gift' to the US and the load ended with a lady needing transport for her goldfish in a bowl – ask Terry for details.
- Bottom lines
 - Security must address all aspects of survival.
 - The US has been so fortunate to have no suffered the misfortunes of the rest of the developed and developing world.
 - **The most likely threats concern air, water and food – and this is truly a problem for the USA and the world in general – right now.**

Happy Dollars

- \$2 Bob Stack
 - Leadership Portage County [LPC] need more applicants – this is one of the most valuable programs even long time residents will find extremely valuable – no better way to learn about your community. Click on www.portagecounty.biz for more information and to apply. Program is one Friday each month August 2012 through May 2013.
 - The PC Public Library needs donations and volunteers for the Summer Reading Program. Last summer the Library helped 1600 preschool to teens; had 132 programs, 3,300 attending programs, 71 teen volunteers with 370 hours, and each year the program grows. Be a part of 2012 growth. Just ask Bob or contact Nicole @ nicole.ozanich@uwsp.edu.

- **President Rick** reminded the club of WI Farm Day 2012, July 17-19 in Outagamie County; next year it will be in Portage County.
- **ROSE SALE 2012 – October 18-20** – looking for new and creative ways to sell roses as our major fund raiser for the year.
- **Ann Huntoon** – big Jazz weekend with our local/Nashville piano performing artist Danny Mitchell. Danny's new album was debuted at the concert. CWSO donated two tickets for raffle – lucky winners. Ann's husband was one of the featured performers – he really plays a mean jazz sax.
- Terry's program was so good that we cut short the happy dollars.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NOTES AND NEWS

Last week – the club was 95 years young!!

RI International Conference in Bangkok - Fantastic –

A royal appearance, and entertainment fit for a king, kicked off the 2012 RI Convention in Bangkok, Thailand, 6 May, where Rotarians gathered to celebrate past accomplishments and future friendships. Her Royal Highness Princess Chulabhorn represented His Majesty the King at the opening ceremony, thanking Rotarians for their good work around the world. "I'm truly impressed by the unity of all Rotarians in devoting themselves to charity work in a spirit of selfless benevolence and dedication as befits Rotary's own motto, Service Above Self," said Princess Chulabhorn. "I am confident that your unwavering commitment and good intentions will reap due reward for our common cause."

RI President Kalyan Banerjee presented the princess with a gift of appreciation. Flags of the 200 countries and regions where Rotary clubs serve their communities were presented on stage, followed by a performance of the national anthem of Thailand by Thai pop music star Tata Young.

In his opening remarks, Banerjee said Rotary is stronger today than it was at the beginning of his presidential term.

"I came into this year determined to make a difference, to leave Rotary stronger at the end of my year. And those goals were met," said Banerjee. "But if there is one thing I have learned in this incredible year, it is that the changes that I have seen, the lives that have been touched haven't been because of me. They have been because of you." Banerjee praised the Rotary projects that he and his wife, Binota, saw during their travels throughout the year, sharing how overwhelmed with pride and joy he was for their great work.

This year, Banerjee visited projects from New York to the newest Rotary country, South Sudan, where Rotarians from several countries are working with the government to build a multimillion dollar hospital.

He also highlighted the recent project partnership agreement between RI and Shelter Box, a grassroots Rotary club-sponsored disaster relief organization. "We Rotarians pride ourselves on being the first to arrive when help is needed – and the last to leave. By partnering with Shelter Box, we'll be able to do even more," said Banerjee. "I hope this will be only the first of many project partners, as we look to expand our reach with more volunteers, in more places than ever before."

Youth, social media vital to Rotary's future

Banerjee said the best way to raise Rotary's public profile and ensure its future is to bring in more young people.

"You only have to look around yourselves to realize that this is a problem we have to face," said Banerjee. "Young people have to know what Rotary is, and why they should want to be a part of it."

RI is already using social media like FaceBook and Twitter to help spread the word. "More and more of our clubs are using these tools that excite and inspire and that are drawing in new members – especially younger members, who are so key to Rotary's future," Banerjee said.

The opening plenary session also featured a Thai cultural dance performance by Creative Destination Management, and the Bangkok Symphony Orchestra.

In other convention news:

- Bangkok Governor Sukhumbhan Boribhat took part in a dedication ceremony of a new playground at the Queen's 60th Birthday Park. Rotary volunteers and more than 200 children participated in the event. Rotarians from Bangkok and the U.S. contributed \$60,000 and volunteered to build the playground.
- More than 150 ROTARACT club members from 23 countries painted, refurbished, and installed water purifiers at a middle school damaged by this year's floods. Volunteers also planted trees in the playground area and organized the school library with 200 books donated by the Rotary Club of Patumwan.

Future Programs -

May		
RI Convention Month [2012 Thailand]; Preparation for the New Rotary Year		
16	Cliff King	John Weting, Marquette Noon 'Turkey Literacy Project – A Bird's Eye View'
16	Highway Clean	Ardie Lange, 5 p.m. Elizabeth Inn Parking lot; recommend gloves, pick up tongs
18-19	Dist Conf	6220 District Governors Conference 2012 - May 18 & 19, 2012
23 [7:00 am]	Pres Rick	Rotary Board – Downtown Library
23	Don Tomaso	Maura Robinson, owner "Home Instead of Senior Care – Non-medical Care - Giving for Portage, Wood, Marathon Counties"
30	Jim Anderson	Brian Konkol – 'Concrete, Chameleons, and Clay: politics and politicians in today's world
June		
Rotary Fellowship Month		
6	Julie Mouw	Virtual Vision Internet Solutions - Andy Scott & Louie Saputo– The New Age of Web and Social Networking.
13	Linda Taylor	Terry Rothmann, ED, Community Foundation of CW – 'Speak Your Peace – campaign to bring civility back to our collective conversations'
20	Patti Cahill	Sarah O'Donnell, PC Business Council , Jessica Hoerter UWSP - IGNITE [Young Professional Group and their upcoming project The Born Learning Trail they will be installing in June]
27 [7:00 am]	Pres Rick	Rotary Board – Downtown Library
27 [5-7]	Club Picnic	Catered picnic at Bukholt Park Shelter [special celebration for home bound Turkey RYE Utku] [members, guests, past members, GSE, RYE, Ambassadorial Scholars, prospective members, etc]

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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?**