



ROTARY CLUB OF APPLETON

GUSTO

Service Above Self

April 28th, 2015 Upcoming Programs

May 5th, 2015
Radisson- Empire
Youth Recognition Awards
Thought of the Day: Nancy Leipzig

May 12th, 2015
Radisson- Salon CD
High School Burundi
Students-Egide Nimubona
Thought of the Day: ?

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CENTER FOR GRIEVING CHILDREN- BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB

The Center for Grieving Children is a safe place for children, teens and their families to find compassionate peer support, engage in commemorative activities, gain information about the grieving process, and express feelings and experiences in an accepting environment. The program is for children 3-18 years of age and the adults who care for them at no charge. The Center has an evening program called Family Night which occurs on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month, from 6-8 pm during the school year. Family Night begins with a shared meal and visits from therapy dogs. Participants then break up into five age groups with adults having their own groups as well. Trained facilitators and volunteers lead these groups through activities designed for the sharing of feelings, life experiences and memories. These activities often include arts, crafts, interactive games and discussion. Each Family Night then ends with a candlelight commemorative ceremony. During the summer the events are held on the third Tuesday of each month. Volunteers are the heart of the program. They create a safe and caring place. Last year over 150 people participated and 80-97% of the families agreed they have been helped. If you are interested in helping this great organization you can visit their website at www.cgcfvalley.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **District Conference is May 15-17** here in Appleton at the Radisson Paper Valley Hotel. Please visit the website at <http://www.ridistrict6220.org/> to register. Our numbers are still low and we would LOVE to show our support to Rotary at this conference.
- The Family of Rotary Committee invites you and your family to join us at the Timber Rattlers Stadium on **Thursday, May 14th** for an evening of baseball, food and family fun. The pre-game tailgate picnic is 5:30-7pm with game time at 7:05 p.m. For only \$12 per person you get a reserved seat and a great picnic dinner. Bring your own beverages. Please report to the tailgate area outside the stadium on the third base side. Dinner & tickets will be ready for you when you arrive. Pay for tickets at the game. Reservations are required as we have 50 tickets available. Sign up by Friday, May 8th at club meetings on Apr. 28th or May 5th or by emailing Meghan at rotaryappleton@gmail.com
- Kristin Griswalk and Travis Thor from Boys & Girls Club attended the meeting today thanking our club for our generosity to their programs.
- Bimal Rajbhandari, Rotaract student from Lawrence University, is raising money for the earthquake victims in Neapl, his home. Please follow him on his facebook page if you are interested in helping. <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Nepal-Relief/1431020890533768>
- SAS Committee gave an update on our volunteer efforts at Riverview Gardens. Around 20 people volunteered to pick kale and spinach and to make hoop houses. The committee also has more volunteering opportunities in the near future. On May 12th for the Old Glory Honor Flight they need volunteers to sort the mail for the 90 WWII and Korean Vets. On May 14th there will be a parade to show support to the Veterans as they arrive back in Appleton between 7:30-8. Please come to show your support. The committee needs volunteers to help with the take down of the event. I am attaching the link for further information regarding this event: <http://www.oldgloryhonorflight.org/>

GUESTS, VISITORS AND MAKE-UPS

Today our guests were Dnyanesk Patkar with Sridhar, Nigel Schuster with the club, Travis Thor, Deanna Charengua and Kristin Griswald with Marta Weldon and Loris Damerow with the club.

There were No Visiting Rotarians this week

There were No Make ups this week

MAY 12th MEETING-HIGH SCHOOL BURUNDI STUDENTS-EGIDE NIMUBONA

On May 12 we will hear from Burundi high school students and their American host families in the Fox Cities about their new experiences. Students will share how their lives have been transformed forever by receiving the gift of Education and generosity in Appleton. Host parents will share the unique experience of hosting these African teenagers from totally different backgrounds. Teaching them English, showing them how to use a microwave, a computer, bathrooms, etc.

HAPPY HOUR AT THE HOUDINI'S ESCAPE GASTROPUB IN APPLETON!

The next Rotary Happy Hour, sponsored by the Family of Rotary Committee, is:

Thursday, April 30th, 2015

Houdini's Escape Gastropub

1216 SOUTH ONEIDA STREET APPLETON

5-7 p.m.

Cash Bar Appetizers to purchase

Take the opportunity to escape to the Houdini's Escape Gastropub for friendship and a beverage! Bring a spouse, significant other, friend, potential Rotarian – and **join us**. See old friends, meet new ones and generally relax and enjoy the camaraderie and conversation.

It's a great chance to get to know each other better and you also get a make up!
