



# ROTARY CLUB OF APPLETON GUSTO

Service Above Self

**October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017**  
**Upcoming Programs**

**November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017**  
**NO MEETING**

**November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017**  
**RIVERVIEW GARDENS**  
Impact of the ACA in the  
Fox Valley – Julia Garvey  
**Thought of the Day:** Roy  
Valitchka

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**"The Electoral College: The People or the Nation?"**

The founding fathers established the Electoral College in the Constitution as a compromise between election of the President by a vote in Congress and election of the President by a popular vote of qualified citizens. The Electoral College process consists of the selection of the electors, the meeting of the electors where they vote for President and Vice President, and the counting of the electoral votes by Congress. The Electoral College consists of 538 electors. A majority of 270 electoral votes is required to elect the President. Your state's entitled allotment of electors equals the number of members in its Congressional delegation: one for each member in the House of Representatives plus two for your Senators. Each candidate running for President in your state has his or her own group of electors. The electors are generally chosen by the candidate's political party, but state laws vary on how the electors are selected and what their responsibilities are. The presidential election is held every four years on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November. You help choose your state's electors when you vote for President because when you vote for your candidate you are actually voting for your candidate's electors. Most states have a "winner-take-all" system that awards all electors to the winning presidential candidate. However, Maine and Nebraska each have a variation of "proportional representation." The Electoral College remains in place over two centuries after the framers of the Constitution empowered it to select presidents. Though occasionally maligned, this system of electing a chief executive has been incredibly successful for the American people. Calls to fundamentally change the Electoral College reached a peak after Republican George W. Bush defeated Democrat Al Gore in the tightly contested 2000 election. Gore narrowly won the national popular vote, and many of his supporters howled that the system—even without the Supreme Court stepping in—was unfair... Over 200 Years of Success Unneeded tinkering with a process that is over two centuries old could destabilize one on the steadiest political systems in the world. On Election Day, Americans appreciate the great and long-lasting constitutional tradition bequeathed to them—including the quirky Electoral College system created by the nation's Founders.

**NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

Be sure to wish the following Rotarians Happy Birthday this month: Matt Rehbein (11/06), Matt Hohner (11/08), Wayne Defferding (11/09), Gail Popp (11/09), Jan Quinlan (11/09), Jim Bowman (11/10), Jeff Knezel (11/16), Jeff Esker (11/18), Sudeep Sodhi (11/18), Trey Nehr (11/21), Susan Marjenka (11/22), Roger Van Vreede (11/22), Curt Detjen (11/24), Gail Enke (11/30).

*Happy Birthday!*

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- SAS is looking for volunteers for the Houdini 10K on Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> and Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. Please click the links below to sign up.

**Early Packet Pick-Up:** <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d48acac2faaff2-early4>

**Day Of Packet Pick-Up:** <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d48acac2faaff2-dayof4>

**Course:** <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d48acac2faaff2-course6>

**Finish Line:** <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d48acac2faaff2-finish4>

**Food Line:** <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d48acac2faaff2-food1>

- SAS is looking for Bell ringers on Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> to ring bells at Walmart on Calumet St. Please visit [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090445A5AB23A4F58-salvation](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090445A5AB23A4F58-salvation) to reserve your spot!

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### **NO MEETING ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>**

There is no meeting on Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> due to our 3+1 format. Thank you to all members who have signed up to volunteer at Homeless Connections and also to those who are volunteering this Saturday for the Houdini 10K.

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### **MEETING ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup> – IMPACT OF THE ACA IN THE FOX VALLEY**

Learn how our community has responded to the introduction of the Affordable Care Act and the impact the ACA is having in our area from our guest speaker Julia Garvey.

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### **GUESTS THIS WEEK**

**Visiting Guests today were** Chuck Merry with Barb Merry and Arnold Shober with the club.

**Visiting Rotarians this week were** Ted Pugh from San Rafael California club

**There Were No Make ups this week**

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