



ROTARY CLUB OF APPLETON GUSTO

Service Above Self

November 21st, 2017 Upcoming Programs

November 28th, 2017
RIVERVIEW GARDENS
Women's Fund – Becky Boulanger
Thought of the Day: Peter Kelly

December 5th, 2017 NO MEETING

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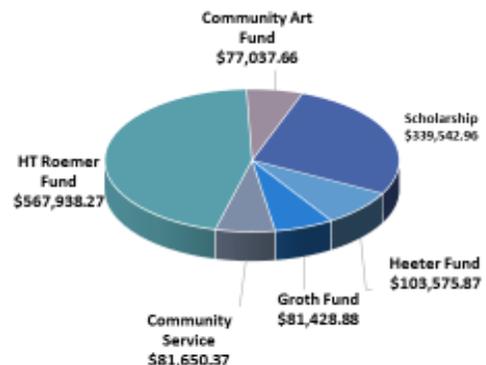
APPLETON ROTARY FOUNDATION UPDATE

Donna Kidder, President of the Appleton Rotary Foundation, gave the Annual report to Membership for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. The Foundation total assets at the end of our fiscal year was over \$1.25 million. We have 6 foundation funds that are invested by the Community Foundation with a long-term focus. Included in this group is the Scholarship fund (which represents 27% of our portfolio) Heeter fund (8.3%), Groth fund (6.5%), Community Art Fund (6.1%), Community Service fund (6.5%) and Helen Thom Roemer (45%). During the year the funds were subject to an annual distribution policy of 5% of the rolling 12 quarter average value. This approach helps to minimize annual fluctuations due to market performance. However, as we informed you last year, the spending policy was addressed by the Community Foundation and our Foundation board. Overall distribution will be reduced from funds from 5% to 4.5%. The change will be implemented July 1, 2018. The Arts Scholarship fund (now called the Community Art fund) has changed its scope this past year. The Arts Scholarship program has not consistently attracted suitable applicants, and consequently this Fund's available scholarship support has often not been awarded, the Foundation has agreed to re-focus this Fund to benefit local artists through a broader field. Distribution of this fund will be awarded to eligible charitable organizations in Appleton and the Fox Valley to provide funding support for art-related programs, exhibits, events and public art pieces. The change in focus was approved by both the Foundation board and Community Foundation in September of this year. The Rotary Foundation contributions compared to our distributions were shown for the past three fiscal years. Last year was not typical of our annual giving, since a benefactor gave \$50,000 to the Helen Thom Roemer Trust. But clearly, more funds are going out than coming in, so it was necessary to adjust our spending level. We need to be good stewards of the funds that past or present Rotary members have endowed to us with. We are lucky to have this opportunity. So if you are thinking of your end-of-year giving, please do not forget your very own Rotary Foundation. Finally, if there is any question about our funds being in good hands? The Community Foundation had a 15.8% rate of return for the year. This put them in the top 10% of foundations nationally. We are in good hands. – Foundation President, Donna Kidder



Appleton Rotary Foundation
Total Foundation Assets as of June 30, 2017
\$1,251,174.01*

Scholarship	\$ 339,542.96
Heeter Fund	\$ 103,575.87
Groth Fund	\$ 81,428.88
Community Service	\$ 81,650.37
HT Roemer Fund	\$ 567,938.27
Community Art Fund	\$ 77,037.66
Totals	\$ 1,251,174.01



- * Excludes pass-thru funds: SAMP and Foundation checking
- * SAMP checking balance \$6,591.51
- * Rotary checking balance \$950.00
- * Total Rotary Foundation assets \$1,258,715.52

CLUB BUDGET REPORT – PRESIDENT GARY HERMSEN

	Year Ended June 30, 2017		2017/2018
	Actual	Budget	Budget
Revenue			
Membership dues	\$ 84,471.96	97,600.00	90,600.00
Fees - New members	\$ 25.00	425.00	425.00
Interest	\$ 1.66	1.50	1.50
Rotary Shines	\$ -	0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 4,701.78	5,000.00	7,000.00
Total revenue	\$ 89,200.40	103,026.50	98,026.50
Expenditures			
Assessments			
RI	\$ 11,327.24	12,500.00	11,000.00
District	\$ 7,590.00	9,500.00	7,500.00
Club expenses - per attached	\$ 63,507.69	72,585.00	63,945.00
Committee expenses - per attached	\$ 10,132.06	11,850.00	11,950.00
Conferences			
District Conference/Assembly	\$ -	350.00	0.00
International	\$ 1,864.27	4,680.00	5,270.00
PETS	\$ 280.00	1,000.00	500.00
Total expenditures	94,701.26	112,465.00	100,165.00
Net Expenditures	(5,500.86)	(9,438.50)	(2,138.50)

HOW TO BE AN INDIAN IN THE 21ST CENTURY – LOUIS CLARK

Louis V. Clark III. Clark, who also goes by the name Two Shoes (as in Goody), is an Oneida Indian from Wisconsin. His book tells the story of his life and the poetry he wrote as he lived it. He began writing poetry when he was in sixth grade and he is quick to point out that a young Indian who writes poetry in elementary school is just naturally going to get beat up a lot. Clark is a warmhearted storyteller, full of kindness and human understanding. As a child of an Oneida woman and a Polish man, he got it from both sides as a child. He was often in trouble either as a victim of bullies or for defending himself from bullies. He falls in love and marries his childhood sweetheart and writes love poems. He writes about work, about the casual racism and thoughtless bigotry he encounters. The majority of his poems are about his life, story poems for children, and poems about chasing his grandchildren around. He acknowledges that poems that don't rhyme are more respected, but they are not his thing. However, he does write poems that do not rhyme. When he's not worried about rhyming, his imagery is so rich and alive.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- SAS is looking for Bell ringers on **Tuesday, December 5th** to ring bells at Walmart on Calumet St. Please visit www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090445A5AB23A4F58-salvation to reserve your spot! There are only 3 left!
- Our Holiday Celebration will be held on Tuesday, December 19th at the Radisson Paper Valley Hotel. More details to come soon.

MEETING ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28th WOMEN'S FUND OF THE FOX VALLEY REGION

Next week our program guest is Becky Boulanger, Executive Director of the Women's Fund of the Fox Valley Region. Becky will provide an update and share the many great things the Women's Fund does within our community.

GUESTS THIS WEEK

Visiting Guests today were Marvin Michel with Mark Scheffler, Jennifer DuPont with Deb Johnson, Debbie Clark and Louis Clark with the Club.

Visiting Rotarians this week were Christine Kras from Amsterdam International, Steve Taylor's Daughter

There Were No Make ups this week