



# ROTARY CLUB OF APPLETON GUSTO

Service Above Self

## December 15th , 2015 Upcoming Programs

December 22nd, 2015  
**Radisson – Salon CD**  
Holiday Celebration  
Thought of the Day: Sarah  
Schneider

December 29th, 2015  
**NO MEETING-HAPPY  
HOLIDAYS**

January 5, 2015  
**NO MEETING**

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Meets Tuesday Noon

## ROBOTICS IN THE HOSPITAL SETTING

Compared to other minimally invasive procedures, robotic surgery offers advanced benefits. The instruments are smaller and more adaptable than routine laparoscopic tools. The robot allows surgeons greater precision and an increased range of motion, enhancing the surgeon's capabilities to perform delicate procedures.

Like other laparoscopic procedures at St. Elizabeth and ThedaCare, robotic surgery:

- is performed through smaller incisions (compared to traditional surgery), called operating ports
- uses scopes to capture accurate, real-time images of the inner body during surgery
- causes less bleeding and stress on the body
- minimizes pain and discomfort following surgery
- usually means a shorter recovery; many patients go home the same day.

Surgeons at St. Elizabeth Hospital and ThedaCare use an innovative laparoscopic surgical robot called the da Vinci robotic surgical system. This amazing tool integrates the latest advancements in robotics and computer-enhanced technology with a surgeon's skills, using 3D images.

Small incisions are used to insert small instruments and a high-definition 3D camera into the body. Seated at the console, the surgeon views a magnified, high-resolution 3D image of the patient's inner body at the surgical site. The robot imitates the movement of a surgeon in real-time, maneuvering through surgery at the surgeon's command.

The surgical robot cannot be programmed to perform surgery. It is controlled by the surgeon throughout the entire procedure, offering greater accuracy, flexibility and comfort. Some of the types of Robotic surgeries are: General Robotic Surgery, Gynecologic Robotic Surgery, Ear-Nose-Throat Robotic Surgery and Urologic Robotic Surgery.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- There will be a social event on **Thursday, January 7<sup>th</sup>** located at the Bergstrom Mahler Museum from **5-7pm**. Please see invite below. If you have any questions, please contact Meghan at [rotaryappleton@gmail.com](mailto:rotaryappleton@gmail.com).
- Reminder if you see extraordinary customer service to fill out a Courtesy Award Nomination form. You can find them on the website at [www.appletonrotary.org](http://www.appletonrotary.org).
- There will be **NO** meeting on **Tuesday, December 29<sup>th</sup>** and also on **Tuesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>**.
- If you are working on a service project that is national or international in scope, and that project aligns with at least one of the 6 Rotary International areas of focus: Peace & Conflict resolution, Disease prevention & treatment, water & sanitation, maternal and child health, basic education & literacy, economic & community development...You may be a candidate for District or Global funding. Our club's new Grants Committee is accepting proposals for possible grants. If you wish to apply for a grant, the first step is to prepare a 1-page summary of the project: how it fits with RI's areas of focus, how Rotarians are involved, what will it cost. Send summary to [lpeters@cfoxvalley.org](mailto:lpeters@cfoxvalley.org) by **January 31<sup>st</sup>**.
- Our first meeting in 2016 will be held on **Tuesday, January 12** at our new location: Michiels Fox Banquets.

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## **GUESTS, VISITORS AND MAKE-UPS**

**Guests this week were** Jerry Wetter with Deborah Wetter, Tammy Spakowicz, Mike Hofmann, Dr. Higgins and Bill Boyd with the Club.

**There were No Visiting Rotarians this week**

**There were No Make ups this week**

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## **DECEMBER 22ND – HOLIDAY CELEBRATION**

The holiday season is here and it is time once again for the annual Rotary Holiday luncheon hosted by the Family of Rotary Committee. This year's event will be held at the Radisson Paper Valley Hotel on Tuesday, December 22 from 11:30 to 1:00pm. Entertainment will be provided by the Appleton North High School Jazz Band. There will be a \$12.00 charge for guests and "attendance not required" members.

As is our holiday tradition, we will again collect cash donations and items for those in our community who are less fortunate. This year's charitable recipient is the Housing Partnership of the Fox Cities. Donations of cash and goods will be collected at the Holiday Lunch. Below is a "Wish List" of items provided by the Housing Partnership:

- Cleaning supplies like magic erasers, brooms and mops, carpet sweepers, laundry baskets, trash cans
- Twin and full/queen air mattresses and pumps,
- Gas cards,
- Grocery cards (Woodmans best),
- Gift cards for Walmart or Goodwill (for snow pants, boots, etc. so kids can go outside during recess at school during the winter) and to Rogan's (for shoes)
- Kids toys (boys and girls) ages: infant, toddler, 5-7, 8-10, teenage
- Batteries
- Diapers (size 3,4, and 5) and pull ups

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On behalf of Bergstrom-Mahler Museum of Glass and the Appleton Downtown Noon Rotary, I would like to invite your club members to join the Appleton Rotarians at Bergstrom-Mahler Museum of Glass to view:

### ***Transcending Time:***

*A Survey of the Glass Art of Italian Maestro Lino Tagliapietra*

**Thursday, January 7**

Open House **5:00 to 7:00 p.m.**

Bergstrom-Mahler Museum of Glass

165 N. Park Avenue, Neenah

**RSVP to Kelly by January 4 at [stoll@bmmglass.com](mailto:stoll@bmmglass.com) or 751-4658 x305**

The evening kicks off the new meeting format for the Appleton Club called 3 + 1, where 3 meetings will take place on our regular Tuesday at noon schedule and a 4<sup>th</sup> will be arranged offsite with a variety of formats.

The Appleton Downtown Rotarians will provide wine and cheese, and BMMOG executive director Jan Smith, along with the team will provide informal walk and talks.

Join us for an informal gathering of Rotarians.