



# ROTARY CLUB OF APPLETON GUSTO

Service Above Self

**March 13, 2018**  
**Upcoming Programs**

**March 20, 2018**  
**RIVERVIEW GARDENS**  
Wisconsin DOT Update  
**Thought of the day:** David Weiss

**March 27, 2018**  
**RIVERVIEW GARDENS**  
RYE Student Presentation  
**Thought of the day:** Karen Laws

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**CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL – HEALTHIEST KIDS IN NORTHEAST WI**

Children’s has been part of the Fox Valley and the entire NE region for more than 2 decades, and the hospital has been in service for over 15 years. The Hospital is more than just a hospital. The Hospital is the only hospital in the country to have a dedicated child advocacy/social services agency, and foster care/adoption services. The connection between the two has proven invaluable to not only care, but research into the impact of trauma. It is one of only four pediatric systems to have its own health plan and 134,000 lives are covered. The Vision of Children’s is: Wisconsin kids will be the healthiest in the Nation. So here is what is at stake and the opportunity for more care closer to home for children in the Valley: There are approximately 99,000 kids in Green Bay and about 133,000 in the Fox Valley. Experience tells them that only about 5 percent of these kids are sick at one time. Having multiple independent health systems competing for a small number of patients would unnecessarily duplicate services, causing volumes and quality to decline and costs to rise. Partnering, rather than competing, will provide the scale required to employ top-ranked pediatric specialist who otherwise would not have the patient volumes needed to be sustainable in the region. A more comprehensive system will create a more compelling recruitment proposition for more pediatric specialist to move and stay in the area, a selling point for businesses and communities to leverage in their own recruiting and retention of employees, greater health care access and reduced drive times, especially for families requiring more specialized care, the peace of mind that comes with knowing you’re part of a more comprehensive, nationally-recognized system of care and potential for continued expansion of locations and services, and more partnership with schools, health departments and other social services agencies. So...What you can do??? The community has supported their foundation for 30 years – donors from NE WI have contributed more than \$54 million during that time to support the mission-focused programs and services at Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin. So continue to support Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin in your community. Give feedback on how they are serving children and families and advocate for kids since kids can’t vote!



Kids deserve the best.

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**MARCH 20, 2018 – WISCONSIN DOT UPDATE**

DOT Secretary Dave Ross will speak on the department's role in supporting the safe, efficient movement of people and commerce and accommodating economic growth throughout the state.

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- The Club would like you to participate in a photo shoot on **TUESDAY, MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup> at 11:00 am**, at Riverview Gardens. This picture is to promote our tree planting initiative for Rotary International. Please meet outside in the parking lot and wear Rotary gear if you are able. (Snow/Rain date is Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>).
- Last time District Governor Tina Hall visited us she left us with some boxes to fill with money for Polio Plus. They have been at the front table for anyone to donate, but there is not much in them. At the beginning of the meeting next week, **Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>**, we'll start passing them around. I just ask everyone to contribute a \$1, \$5, \$10, \$20, or a \$50 if you would like. Let's see if we can stuff the box and raise money for Polio Plus!
- **SAVE THE DATE:** Our annual Community Table Event will take place on **Tuesday, August 14<sup>th</sup>** at Riverview Gardens. If you are interested in sponsoring or having your company sponsor please contact Meghan for more information.
- Are you looking for a weekend getaway with kids or grandkids? How about a waterpark in Wisconsin Dells? **May 4-6** Tri-Con 2018 is coming to The Wilderness in Wisconsin Dells. This is a Rotary District Conference for Rotarians in District 6220, District 6250 and District 6270. All Rotarians from Wisconsin, the Upper Peninsula of Michigan and eastern Minnesota, with their significant others and families, and other Rotarians and friends of Rotary are welcome. Tri-Con 2018 Wisconsin is a collaborative project of the three Rotary Districts mentioned.  
Goals are to:
  - Celebrate Rotary
  - Be family friendly
  - Present **OUTSTANDING** speakers and programs.

You are welcome to attend whether you have been a Rotarian for one year or 50 years. Especially for newer members, it's a great way to learn more about Rotary and expand your scope outside of our Rotary club.

One of the best parts about these conferences is the amazing speakers. Thom Cody, owner and President of Pathmakers, Inc. in Hobart, WI will be speaking about Making a Difference...Why YOUR life matters. Thom's firm specializes in coaching executive leadership teams through organizational change. Thom is committed to helping new leaders develop their own unique style and skill, as well as helping experienced leaders refine their skill and further realize and leverage their leadership potential. That's just one example of the type of speakers you will hear.

Register at <https://ridistrict6220.org/district-resources/district-conference-2018-registration-page.html>

- On April 6<sup>th</sup> the 2018 class of Wisconsin Academy Fellows will be honored and our very own, Tom Boldt, is among those being honored. Wisconsinites from a wide range of disciplines with extraordinary levels of accomplishment in their fields as well as lifelong commitments to intellectual discourse and public service are being honored with the highest level of recognition conferred by the Wisconsin Academy.
- As a reminder, Every Rotarian, Every Year is a Rotary International initiative to encourage every Rotarian to make a personal gift to the Rotary Foundation every year. Unlike many other Rotary clubs, we also have a local foundation that we can give to, but please don't forget that the power of Rotary lies in our global network of community leaders. The birthday letter you receive every year is a reminder to give back to Rotary. You can of course choose to direct your money in a number of ways through our local foundation as well as Rotary International so please don't forget about RI. Many Rotarians choose to divide the money they donate to multiple funds. If you're getting a tax refund this year, consider donating a portion of that to help others in need.

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## **GUESTS THIS WEEK**

**Guests this week were** Kristin Ely-Bluemke with Ruth Ann Heeter, Jane Oliver and David Oliver with Gail Enke, Pilar Martinez, Chad Hershner, Scott Turner and Gail Ostrander with the club.

**There Were No Visiting Rotarians this week**

**There were No make ups this week**

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