



ROTARY CLUB OF APPLETON GUSTO

Service Above Self

April 25, 2017
Upcoming Programs

May 2, 2017
NO MEETING

May 9, 2017
RIVERVIEW GARDENS
Rye Students: Giuli Bonzi
Thought of the Day: Paul Hillmer

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FOX RIVER LOCKS – DR. TIM ROSE

The locks were constructed in the 1850's and most of them required various types of re-building phases in the decades that followed. The original owners included, private investors, quasi-government agencies, State of Wisconsin and Federal Military but presently the system is owned and operated by the State of Wisconsin. In 1984 the Army Corps of Engineers announced it would abandon the system so individual citizens who were passionate about the impact of the lock system organized and worked with state and federal elected officials to create the Authority. Today the Fox River Navigational Systems Authority (FRNSA) functions as an independent state authority with a 9 member board of directors appointed by the Governor. There are a total of 17 locks on the Fox River and the Fox River is one of the rivers in the United States that runs from South to North from Lake Winnebago to the bay of Green Bay. The system covers 39 miles and drops in elevation 168 feet – a vertical drop equal in height to the total drop of Niagara Falls. The locks are one of the few hand-operated, functional locks systems in the nation. Lock tenders manually operate the valves that control water entering and leaving to change the water level and manually crank open the lock gates. The FRNSA is planning to build an interpretive center that will tell the story of the Fox River Locks System. The riverfront development will be an interactive venue located at Lock #3 in the Appleton Flats neighborhood just off of Lawe Street. The site is convenient to popular riverfront trails, nearby parks, Lawrence University, Downtown Appleton and restaurants. Visitors will be able to learn more about the steamboats and barges that crossed the river, the history of the lock tenders and how the system shaped Northeast Wisconsin. At this point in time the FRNSA board is reviewing several multi-use proposals for the site and plans are being finalized for design. The Lock operation for 2017 is: May 5, 2017 – October 1, 2017. The Menasha Lock will remain closed during the 2017 season. For more information and a complete schedule of the locks please visit www.foxlocks.org. You can also visit their Facebook page at Fox Locks.



Join us as the Fox River Locks open for the 2017 season on May 5th! This year, navigate from the Menasha lock, through Appleton, into the Heart of the Valley to Kaukauna. Boaters can navigate from Wrightstown north through the DePere lock to the bay of Green Bay.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- President Jennifer would like to invite you to attend the District 6220 conference being held at the Hampton Inn in Green Bay on May 20, 2017. This is a great opportunity to learn about all the new activities from Rotary International and share ideas about current events and activities within our District. There will be an opportunity to meet the Exchange students as well as the opportunity to hear from one of our Ambassadorial Scholars that is returning to share the story of her journey with us. Other highlights include ideas on membership, International service, planned events for our Young Professional members, and Polio efforts supported by our District. Visit the website at <https://www.ridistrict6220.org/> to reserve your spot today!
- We will be celebrating our club's Centennial on **Tuesday, May 30th**. Please make sure to mark your calendar.
- Volunteer Opportunity—Homeless Connection is looking for volunteers on Monday, May 1st. 3:30-5:30 (4) Cooks 5:00-7:00 (4) Servers/clean up help. Please sign up at www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090445A5AB23A4F58-homeless
- Paul Greene recently took a trip to Chile and brought President Jennifer a bottle opener from Easter Island.
- Our thoughts and prayers go out to the families of Chuck Lewis who passed away on April 16th and to Larry Kath who passed away on April 23rd.

NO MEETING ON TUESDAY, MAY 2ND

Due to our 3 + 1 format there is no meeting on Tuesday, May 2nd.

MEETING ON TUESDAY, MAY 9TH – RYE STUDENT GIULI BONZI

Hear from Giuli Bonzi, our RYE student from Argentina. Julie is an amazing young woman who is excited to share information with us about her country, her city and herself.

GUESTS, VISITORS AND MAKE-UPS

Visiting Guests today were Larry Abitz with Tom Nelson, Jeff Jirschele with Mary Harp-Jirschele, Aruna Shet with Ram Shet, Steve Hooyman and Bob Mundt with Curt Detjen, Barb Ristau with Karen Laws and Tim Rose with the club

There Were No Visiting Rotarians this week

There Were No Make ups this week
