



ROTARY CLUB OF APPLETON GUSTO

Service Above Self

July 14th, 2015 Upcoming Programs

July 21st, 2015
Radisson – Salon A
Vision for Downtown
Appleton-Mayor Hanna
Thought of the Day: Mary
Schmidt

July 28th, 2015
Radisson – Salon A
Sridhar Business Meeting
Thought of the Day: Greg
Woller

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WIS DOT HWY 41/INTERSTATE UPDATE

US 41 is a 200-mile long highway connecting Chicago, Illinois, southeastern Wisconsin, the Fox Valley and upper Michigan. This corridor provides critical transportation for the movement of goods and services within the state, and other market areas outside the state of Wisconsin. US 41 is important to everyone who lives, works or travels along this highway.

The areas connected by US 41 represent 56 percent of the state's population, 57 percent of the state's manufacturing facilities, and 52 percent of Wisconsin's retail and wholesale businesses. Counties that highway 41 runs through also account for \$3.3 billion in tourism expenditures each year. Needless to say, this is one important road for Wisconsin.

Four segments of the US 41 Project received funding through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. This funding provided the opportunity to advance work on these segments, revitalize the area and create job opportunities in Northeast Wisconsin. The overall goal of the US 41 Project is to improve the quality of life for the people who live, work or travel on or near this important highway. To achieve this goal, WisDOT is currently: Building an attractive, high-quality highway that enhances the community, Maintaining safe construction zones, Increasing the overall safety of US 41, Reaching out to communities and businesses along the corridor, Encouraging economic growth by creating job and business opportunities, Creating paved bicycle and pedestrian trails, Widening the highway to accommodate lanes for pedestrians and cyclists, Completing the project on-time and on-budget, Updating the highway to Interstate highway design standards

The WIS 441 Project will reconstruct and expand approximately 6 miles of US 10 / WIS 441 from 4 lanes to 6 lanes between Cold Spring Road (County B) and Oneida Street (US 10) in Winnebago County and reconstruct five interchanges and the Roland Kampo Bridge. Highlights of this project include: , Constructing a 2nd parallel bridge over Little Lake Butte des Morts, Reconstructing the I-41/WIS 441/US 10 system-to-system interchange to provide free flow movements to and from all highways, Re-aligning WIS 441 to provide a safer facility designed for 65-mph, Reconstructing the Appleton Street (WIS 47), Racine Street (County P), Midway Drive (County AP) and Oneida Street (US 10) interchanges to provide a safer facility, Adding auxiliary lanes on I-41 for safer highway merges. The project is needed to address safety concerns and traffic demands on one of the region's vital transportation routes. Currently, the crash rates on US 10/WIS 441 exceed statewide averages for similar urban freeways. Traffic volume is expected to rise on US 10/WIS 441 in the years ahead, and additional traffic lanes are needed to safely accommodate this increase. The existing interchanges also need safety and capacity improvements. For more information regarding the WIS 441 project please visit their website at www.projects.511.wi.gov/wis441.

7 DAY NOTICE

The following individual has been proposed for membership in Rotary. He has passed all committees and unless an objection in writing is submitted to the secretary within 7 days, this members will be admitted to the Rotary Club of Appleton.

Dnyanesh Patkar of 5009 N. Waterford Drive, Appleton, WI 54913 has been proposed into membership by Sridhar. He would enter under the classification of Information Technology.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Radisson has increased our meal charge to \$11.00 per person starting 7/1/2015.**
- As part of the **Service Above Self Committee (SAS)**, Rotary will recruiting “**Bigs for a Day**” for the Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Fox Valley Region Family Picnic. Sign up with Big Brothers Big Sisters to be a “Big for a Day” at their Annual Picnic at the Timberrattlers stadium. You will be matched with a child who is not yet matched to a Big Brother or Big Sister. You will eat dinner with them, play games and just get to know them. The picnic runs up until the T-rats game time. You are welcome to go to the game with your Little or just stay for the picnic. The Little’s parents will also be present. Event Date and Time: **Wednesday July 29th 5:30 to 6:45 pm** Children are ages: 6 -14 **15 volunteers needed**. For More Information call Greg Woller at 920-739-3542 or email: gwoller@bbbsfvr.org. There will be sign-up sheets at the meetings or you can sign up online at our new website www.appletonrotary.org.
- We had a moment of silence for Dwight Easty. Dwight was a member of the club for 10 years and was very involved with the SAMP committee. He will be greatly missed by all.

GUESTS, VISITORS AND MAKE-UPS

Today our guests were Dnyanesh Patkar with Sridhar, Mark Kantola with Gail Enke, Scott Ebel and Bryan Lipke with the club.

There were No Visiting Rotarians this week

There were No Make ups this week

JULY 28TH MEETING-BUSINESS MEETING-Strategic Priorities for the Year Ahead!

Sridhar will share with the fellow Rotarians the outlines of significant initiatives, some incremental and some audacious, being developed by the leadership team for the year ahead in order to realize the strategic goals and objectives of the club.
