



ROTARY CLUB OF APPLETON GUSTO

Service Above Self

August 30th, 2016 Upcoming Programs

September 6th, 2016
NO MEETING

September 13, 2016 FOX BANQUETS

Children With Disabilities
Thought of the Day: Karen
Laws

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SERVICE ABOVE SELF UPDATE

The Service Above Self committee began in March 2015. Their specific duties include: identifying projects, lead projects, recruit volunteers and report on projects to the board and the club. So why did our club decide to create this committee: cornerstone of Rotary, member surveys, initiatives to recruit new members, visibility in the community, compete with other service organizations, opportunity to network and to have fun! So what has the SAS committee done so far: Honor Flight Mail Call (30 hrs.), Riverview Gardens (2 days) (estimated 48 hrs.), Be Big for a Day (30 hrs.), Octoberfest Wristband Sales (48 hrs.), Houdini 10K (est. 150 hrs.), Gift Wrap for Habitat for Humanity (est. 15 hrs.), Salvation Army Bell Ringing (est. 4 hrs.), Girl Scout Clean Up (est. 20 hrs.), Habitat for Humanity (Broad St est. 60hrs and Lopas St. est. 100 hrs.) and finally the Service Above Selfie Initiative. The projected hours of service for 2016 is 460 hours! The committee has learned that are members are busy, making announcements is NOT enough to recruit volunteers and that sign up has to be easy. The SAS committee would like the club to know that Rotary logo wear will be coming soon. The items for sale will include Rotary logo and “Appleton Rotary Club” embroidery. You can also earn logo wear by volunteering for any SAS project throughout the year. The committee ended their presentation with, “Don’t be a Rino”. Meaning...Do not be a Rotarian in Name only! Thank you for your service!

PRESIDENT JENNIFER STEPHANY – CLUB UPDATE

Since July President Jennifer Stephany and the board of directors have been digging in and exploring some issues the club has or will be facing this Rotary year. Some of the major issues being explored are: 1. Secure a new meeting location by January 1st, 2017, revamp the annual fundraiser, and participate in a regional Rotary Club marketing campaign to raise awareness, review and revise the committee structure and to make Appleton Rotary Foundation giving a priority of the club. The board has also been working on the strategic plan for 2016-2017. There are 5 goals they are focusing on this year.

- A. Offering Informative and Relevant Programming.
- B. Local Community Service Projects
- C. Member Recruitment and Retention
- D. Increase Visibility E. Linkage with District 6220 and Rotary International.

If you have any comments or suggestions regarding the strategic plan please contact Jennifer at jennifer@appletondowntown.org or at 920-954-9112.

President Jennifer asked each club member 3 questions and if you have a minute please watch this video: Simon Sinek- Start With Why – TED Talk: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IPYeClTXpxw&list=RDIPYeClTXpxw#t=0>

Question 1: Why is Rotary Important to you?

Question 2: Why is the Rotary Club of Appleton important to the Community?

Question 3: What is the greatest challenge facing our Club?

If you were unable to attend the meeting and would like to contribute please email Meghan at rotaryappleton@gmail.com with your responses.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Something exciting and inspiring is happening in the Fox Valley area through the Community Foundation. [Read our new post](#) in The Loop on our website. The Rotary club is mentioned for their donation so please take a minute to read.

SEPTEMBER 6TH—NO MEETING

No Meeting this week due to our 3 + 1 format

SEPTEMBER 13TH – CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES GRANT RECIPIENTS

The Children with Disabilities Committee recently awarded grants totaling nearly \$25,000 to ten local organizations that develop and carry out projects that benefit children with intellectual, developmental and physical disabilities in Appleton and the immediate surrounding area. On Sept. 13th we'll hear from recipient organizations, who will share the impact of Rotary's support.

GUESTS, VISITORS AND MAKE-UPS

There were No Visiting guests this week

Visiting Rotarians this week were Carlos Rioja from Lima Peru and John Wiley from Appleton Breakfast

There Were No Make ups this week

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Hunger and homelessness never take a vacation – even on Labor Day. Join Mary Harp-Jirschele and Deborah Wetter in cooking a meal for residents of Homeless Connections on **Monday, Sept. 5**. Your help is needed from **3:30-7 p.m.** Contact Mary at mharp-jirschele@jikkeller.com if you're interested.

We will be looking for volunteers for Oktoberfest on **Saturday, September 26th** and for the Houdini 10K on **Friday, November 4th and Saturday, November 5th**. Please visit our website at www.appletonrotary.org and click the Local Involvement tab and then Get Involved tab for more details and how to sign up or email Meghan at rotaryappleton@gmail.com.

Fox Valley Business in Ethics Summit will take place on **Tuesday, October 4th**. If you are interested in volunteering you can sign up at <http://samaritan-counseling.com/eib/>.