

Service Above Self

ROTARY CLUB OF APPLETON GUSTO

April 1, 2014

Upcoming Programs

April 8 Fox Banquets

Science, Religion and Infinity - Al White and Steve Savides Thought of the Day - Gail Enke

April 15 Salon A

Non Profit Roundtable -Part 2 Thought of the Day - Gary Vaughan

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MEETING NOTICES

- The Rotary Friendship Committee will meet on Tuesday, April 8 at 11:00 a.m.
- The Family of Rotary Committee will hold the next Happy Hour on Thursday, April 24 from 5-7:00 p.m. at Jim's Place in Appleton.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Be sure to wish the following Rotarians Happy Birthday this month: John McFadden (4/04), Tony Kuehmsted (4/06), Dan Toppins (4/06), Sonia Barham (4/07), Deborah Wetter 4/08), Chuck Lewis (4/10), Tom Loescher (4/13), Scott Barr (4/13), John Hagins (4/16), Al Hansen (4/18), O. C. Boldt (4/20), Jerry Zaug (4/22), Bob Bauman (4/23), Harry Spiegelberg (4/24), Dennis Hietpas (4/25), Lisa Kogan-Praska (4/25) and Chris Czarnik (4/29).

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to Patrick Minskey, Financial Planner with Edward Jones and David Weiss, Development Director of the Boys and Girls Brigade.

WISCONSIN'S APPROACH TO OPERATIONALIZING THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT

Department of Health Services Deputy Secretary Kevin Moore talked about how BadgerCare Plus is Wisconsin's Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance program. BadgerCare Plus provides coverage for approximately 750,000 people each month. Wisconsin also provides Medicaid and related health coverage for an additional 400,000 people per month. objectives of BadgerCare Plus Reform are to ensure that every resident has access to health insurance, create a Medicaid program that is sustainable, reduce reliance upon government health insurance, maintain the healthcare safety net for those who need it most, reduce the number of uninsured nonelderly adults in our state, encourage consumers to be active participants in their healthcare and simplify the Medicaid program by providing a standard of comprehensive benefits that will lead to improved healthcare outcomes. About 40,000 children have access and are eligible for BadgerCare but they are not signed up. Prior to today, Medicaid eligibility was for children, pregnant women, parents/caretakers relatives and childless adults. The three main drivers of Medicaid spending are mental health, substance abuse and BadgerCare and the program changes include providing the same benefits under BadgerCare in addition to all adults living in poverty for the first time in Wisconsin history, continue to cover pregnant women and children up to 300% FPL and provide a standard set of benefits to everyone on BadgerCare Plus. In Wisconsin, Medicaid costs \$7.2 billion per year and of that \$4.4 billion is federal monies. The federal government told states that if they don't expand coverage to those at 133% of federal poverty level that they would not get funds for Medicaid. It was determined that states could decide if they wanted to expand or not. Wisconsin chose not to expand but to still provide Medicaid. According to the Kaiser Family Foundation as of April 1, 2014, Wisconsin is the only state in the nation to have no gap in coverage and not expand Medicaid. Everyone in Wisconsin can have access to Medicaid or get subsidies. Due to the healthcare.gov issues experienced after the initial launch, Governor Walker requested that the Wisconsin legislature approve delaying the BadgerCare Plus Reform changes until April 1, 2014. Wisconsin's outreach and transition strategy was to leverage Milwaukee to create an enrollment network model structure, create regional enrollment networks through the state with regional partners, provide appointment and enrollment assistance, mobilize local grassroots resources to assistant people in gaining healthcare coverage and focus on providing information. The Wisconsin transition infrastructure includes navigators, regional enrollment networks and insurance agents to help pick the right product/plan. For more information, go to http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/health-care/index.htm or if you would like to see the PowerPoint presentation please contact Lisa Weiner at lweiner@new.rr.com and she will forward it to you.

GUESTS, VISITORS AND MAKE-UPS

Guests today were Andrew Dane with Jon Kester, Mike Goodwin with Roger Bertschausen and Paula Morgan and Tracey Ratzburg with Chad Hershner.

There were no visiting Rotarians today.

Make-ups presented this week were Rick Stark at Sanibel/Captiva Rotary.

ROTARY SHINES

Rotary Shines will be held on <u>Friday</u>, <u>April 11</u> at the OuterEdge in Appleton from 6:00-10:00 p.m. If you did not purchase your ticket with your dues, you can purchase one next week. Tickets cost \$100 which admits two adults. Ask your friends, relatives, business associates and others you do business with if they too would like to purchase a ticket and attend this event in addition to yourself.

This year's beneficiaries will be:

Catalpa Health Community Mental Health Resource Library Kenya Works Makini Initiative (benefiting Kenyan adolescent girls) Solar Sanitary Project in Jehangirabod, Odisha, India Muramba HIgh School Sanitation Project in Burundi, Africa PolioPlus

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Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region

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Special thanks to Custom Printing

This year's event will feature a cork pull featuring fine wines donated by members and local stores.

Special thanks to: Club Liquor, Fox Banquets, Festival Foods and McKnight & Carlson

The Rotary Shines Committee is looking for silent auction items. If you would like to donate to the silent auction, please contact Steve Taylor at stevet249@hotmail.com.

The Live Auction will feature:

Entrance 21 Package for 12 guests for Sweet Honey on Tuesday, October 14, 2014

Dinner for 6 with "Chef to the World's Famous" Michael Congrove

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Sharing Around (the World) Medical Project needs to move 240 gaylords (which equals 6 shipments of medical supplies) out of Warehousing of Wisconsin Logistics. Currently, there is not enough money to ship them all. If you know of anyone who has about 1,000 square feet of storage space for these gaylords, please contact Carol Busey at busecar@aol.com.

7 DAY NOTICE

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

Juanita Harder of 820 W. College Avenue, Appleton, WI 54914 has been proposed into membership Jennifer Stephany. She would enter under the classification of Organization - Thompson Center.