



ROTARY CLUB OF APPLETON

GUSTO

Service Above Self

March 24th, 2015 Upcoming Programs

March 31st, 2015

Radisson- Salon A

Integration of Refugees in Fox Valley

Thought of the Day: Nancy Johnshoy

April 7th, 2015

Radisson- Salon CD

Burundi and India projects funded by Rotary Shines

Thought of the Day: Robin Lutz

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FOX CITIES CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU

The Fox Cities Convention & Visitors Bureau is an economic development organization that strengthens the Fox Cities by attracting visitors in the convention, sports and leisure markets through sales, marketing and destination development. The Bureau operates a visitors center, which is open to the public as a resource of information on local hotels and attractions. In the Fox Cities the FCC&VB has brought conventions, sporting events, which is continually growing each year for amateur youth sports and leisure, such as shopping at the Fox River Mall. In 2013 visitors spending reached \$411 million. That supported 5,557 jobs in the tourism industry and 7,244 jobs in the Fox Cities. \$121 million was spent on food and beverage, \$90 million on lodging and \$89 million in the retail sector. Numbers for 2014 are currently not out at this time but they are projected to be even higher than 2013. The FCC&VB is promoting their new program called BRING it HOME FOX CITIES. You may ask why should you be a part of this program. You may have just returned from an event/convention in another city or state and want to bring it to the Fox Cities area. If you are interested you can share this information with the FCC&VB. If your organization books a meeting in the Fox Cities, you will receive a gift certificate valued up to \$500 to select Fox Cities businesses. If you are interested in learning more about this new program you can visit their website at www.foxcities.org/bringithome. If you are interested in finding out more about the FCC&VB please visit their website at www.foxcities.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Rotary Shines** is looking for bottles of wine for the cork pull. If you are interested in donating a bottle please bring to the meeting. Value should be around \$20/bottle.
- **District Conference is May 15-17** here in Appleton at the Radisson Paper Valley Hotel. Please visit the website at <http://www.ridistrict6220.org/> to register. Meghan will also have paper copies available if you are interested.
- Reciprocity has begun! If you are unable to attend our meeting you can now attend Neenah Rotary - Holiday Inn Neenah Riverwalk - **Thursday-Noon**, Menasha Rotary-Waverly Beach, N8770 Fire Lane 1, Menasha - **Wednesday-Noon**, Fox Cities Morning Rotary, Best Western Bridgewood, 1000 Cameron Way, Neenah - **Tuesday 7-8 am** with no cost. Please remember to sign a visiting Rotarian card.
- On **April 29th**, the Menasha Rotary will be meeting off-site. They will be meeting at the newly-renovated Menasha High School. If you are interested in attending they will be eating hot lunch.
- Help celebrate Edison students' hard work by volunteering for the Knowledgeathon on April 23, 2013. We need volunteers from 8:45-11:15. Consider volunteering for a shift (either 8:45-10 or 10-11:15) or for the whole morning. We'll provide light refreshments (baked goods and beverages) for all of our volunteers. Just bring your energy and enthusiasm so that you can ask questions in ways that give our students a chance to shine.
If you are able to volunteer, please send the following information to the Edison PTA edison.elem.pta@gmail.org by Monday, April 6:
(1) Name of volunteer or group (if a group--how many people will be helping).
(2) Preferred time: 8:45-10, 10-11:15, an hour, or the whole time.
(3) Best way for us to contact you.
Thanks in advance for your help!
- **Children with Disabilities Committee** meeting Tuesday, April 21st at 10:30am. Contact Amy Flanders to receive grant applications for review. You can email her at amyjaneflanders@gmail.com.

SAS COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Service Above Self Committee is looking for volunteers for their first project. If you are able to help out at **Riverview Gardens** on **Monday, April 6 from 2-5 or Saturday, April 11 from 9-12** please email Jenni Eickelberg at jenni.eickelberg@thrivent.com or Dan Flannery at dflannery@goodwillnwc.org. There will also be sign-up sheets at the next meeting on each table.

Here is the list of other volunteer opportunities coming up.

- April/May: Old Glory Honor Flight
- July 29: Big Brothers, Big Sisters Timber Rattlers Game
- September 20: Fox Cities Marathon Water Station
- September 26: Oktoberfest Wrist Band Sales
- November/December: Habitat for Humanity Gift Wrap

ROTARY SHINES APRIL 17TH, 2015 AT FOX BANQUETS

This year's beneficiaries will be:

Polio Plus Program

United Way Fox Cities PATH (Providing Access to Healing) for students program

Project Bharati: Rehabilitation and Empowerment for Girls Rescued Human Trafficking and Sexual Violence

Here are the Sponsors so far:

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	Esker and Associates
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	Ulness Health Insurance

GUESTS, VISITORS AND MAKE-UPS

Today our guests were Megan Libby with Mary Beth Leopold, Dawn Nowakowski with Jennifer Stephany, Amy Karas and Pam Seidl with the club.

There Were No Visiting Rotarians

Make ups this week were Jan Smith at Neenah Rotary and Rick Stark at Sanibel/Captiva Rotary Club

APRIL 7TH MEETING-BURUNDI AND INDIA PROJECTS FUNDED BY ROTARY SHINES

Rotary Shines is just round the corner! As Rotarians we should feel good and proud of the impact this event has on reaching out and touching the needy around the world. On April 7th, Egide and Sridhar will talk about how the World Services Committee grants, funded by the last year's Rotary Shines, have brought about remarkable relief and transformation through sanitation and water projects in Burundi and India. Further, Sridhar will explain how this year's grant will make a difference in the lives of teenage girls from India, Bangladesh and Nepal who have been rescued from human trafficking. Learn how your dollars will empower and transform their lives through education and training.
