



ROTARY CLUB OF APPLETON GUSTO

Service Above Self

May 15, 2018
Upcoming Programs

May 22, 2018
RIVERVIEW GARDENS
Youth Recognition Awards
Thought of the Day: Gail Popp

May 29, 2018
RIVERVIEW GARDENS
Dignity and Respect
Program-City of Appleton
Thought of the Day: Tom Boldt

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STATE OF THE CITY AND DOWNTOWN COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

The City of Appleton is dedicated to meeting the needs of our community and enhancing the quality of life. This is their WHY? When working on their strategic plan they wanted the mission to update the community on what’s happening in Appleton. Mayor Hanna is most proud that each city employee can tell you the mission statement for the City of Appleton. They know how their work affects the community. The Mission leads to the vision for the city. The city was looking for something inspiring. They want Appleton to be the place where people can use their talents and thrive. The city wants to be able to help people be the best they can be and support them. Mayor Hanna and the city employees have been working hard on making our city one great place and appeal to those looking for a great place to make home. He mentioned a few exciting projects happening in Appleton in the near future. 1. U.S. Venture’s corporate headquarters will be moving downtown. This is a growing company and it needs to be where people want to work and where they have easy access to work. The city will be building an underground parking garage that will hold over 600 vehicles. 2. Mixed Use project – Library. What does the future look like for the library? The current building was built in 1981 and housed 168,000 volumes and currently it has 340,000. In 1981 there were no public computers and now they have 53. In 1981 the library averaged 600 visitors a day and currently they have 1400 visitors a day. We need to meet the needs of the community. There is a proposal to build a new library where Solider Square parking lot currently resides. It gets a little tricky downtown with parking but there have been several discussions regarding a mobility plan. 3. Zuelke Building: Investors have presented a proposal to fix up the inside but they will preserve the building. The top 2 floors will be luxury condos then floors 3-9 will be used for commercial use and 2nd floor will be used for the hot yoga studio and the first floor will have a couple current tenants and a coffee shop. 4. The Jones Park project will begin in the next week and they hope to be done by the end of the year. 5. The city is finalizing a project for the Ellen Kort Peace Park and that should be starting soon. 6. The City now owns 3 abandoned trestles from the railroad and are hoping to turn them into trails and are hoping to use some excess grant money to help pay for them. So as you can see there are lots of great things happening in our community and still more that did not get mentioned. Our community is moving in the right direction and one of the key strategies to that is Community engagement. Social Media has played a big role in the city engaging with the community and their Facebook page has the most followers for a Metropolitan page. For more information on what is going on in our community you can visit their website at www.appleton.org.

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 member will be admitted to the Rotary Club of Appleton.

Rick Klein of 3607 Mariah Lane Appleton, WI 54911 has been proposed into membership by Phil Sealy. He would enter under the classification of Tax Advisor – Retired.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **SAVE THE DATE:** Our annual Community Table Event will take place on **Tuesday, August 14th** at Riverview Gardens. If you are interested in sponsoring or having your company sponsor please contact Meghan for more information. The committee is looking for silent auction donations so please start bringing them in to the meetings. You can purchase your tickets online on our website www.appletonrotary.org.
- Tree planting at Riverview Gardens is scheduled for **Saturday, May 19th from 9:00am – 12:00 pm.** **We still need volunteers so please sign up ASAP!!** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090445a5ab23a4f58-tree>
- The Rotary Community Service Grant and the Rotary Community Arts Grant are managed by the Rotary Grants Committee are available now. Members please share with 501c3 organizations you are involved with. Please find the applications for the two community grants on our website www.appletonrotary.org under the Membership tab and then Applications/Scholarship tab. Applications are due **May 30th**. Contact co-chairs with any questions and submit your application direct to Andrew Dane: adane@sehinc.com Jennifer Stephany: Jennifer@appletondowntown.org

GUESTS THIS WEEK

Guests this week were Lucy Valitchka with Roy Valitchka, Chuck Merry with Barb Merry, Karen Jeffers with Jennifer Thompson and Miro Kudaka with Karen Laws

There Were No Visiting Rotarians this week

There were No make ups this week

TUESDAY, MAY 22, 2018- YOUTH RECOGNITION AWARDS

Meet the students from Appleton-area high schools who are being honored this year as Outstanding Juniors. After hearing about this group of students you will leave wondering what you did with your misspent youth.