



ROTARY CLUB OF APPLETON GUSTO

Service Above Self

June 26, 2018
Upcoming Programs

July 3, 2018
NO MEETING

July 10, 2018
Riverview Gardens
President's Induction
Thought of the Day: Jan
Quinlan

Officers 2017-2018
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Nancy Leipzig

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CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES MAINTAINING OUTAGAMIE HIGHWAYS

The purpose of the Outagamie County Highway Department is threefold. First, the Department constructs and maintains the county trunk highway system for the safe, convenient, and efficient movement of vehicles within Outagamie County. Second, the Department provides good quality, cost-effective roadway maintenance and construction services to the State of Wisconsin and local municipalities for state highways and local road systems. Finally, the Department plans, programs and implements necessary county trunk highway improvements to efficiently accommodate increased traffic demands generated from area growth, and to enhance economic development and new job growth in Outagamie County. In the most recent Area Development survey of corporate executives, highway accessibility once again ranks as the #1 site selection factor, up from the #2 spot in 2015. The availability of skilled labor - #2 spot in the 2016 survey was #1 in 2015. Highway access and availability of labor vie for the #1 and #2 spots year after year. So do we just fix it or ignore it? Interstate 41 Corridor study shows that there have been 1,465 crashes over a 3 year period. This averages out to 293 crashes a year. If this trend continues, it will average 1 crash a day by 2018, and it has. 63,000 Average Annual daily traffic is 2016. So compared to 55,600 in 2015, this is a yearly increase of 11.7% or an additional 7,400 vehicles. Federal Highway Administration has I-41 flagged as a major connector, with over 8,500 trucks per day and that is an increase by 120% in tons/value by 2040. 40% of Wisconsin's economic value is located along interstate 41 from Milwaukee to Green Bay. Currently there is no plan in place to fix this problem and by the looks of it, it needs to be addressed now. The Outagamie County Highway Department has many projects going on currently and if you would like a list of current road constructions please visit <http://www.outagamie.org/government/f-through-m/highway/highway-project-updates>. If you have any further questions or concerns please reach out to Dean Steingraber, P.E., Highway Commissioner at dean.steingraber@outagamie.org.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Please wish the following Rotarians Happy Birthday this month: Frank Rippl (7/08), Mark Shropshire (7/13), John Nygaard (7/17), John Wiley (7/21), Karen Laws (7/23), Jay Drzewiecki (7/24), Steve Rieth (7/25), Jeff Schultz (7/25), and Martin Rudd (7/31).



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **SAVE THE DATE:** Our annual Community Table Event will take place on **Tuesday, August 14th** at Riverview Gardens. The committee is looking for silent auction donations so please start thinking of ideas and if you need ideas please email Dawn Nowakowski at dawn.nowakowski@wpt.org. Also, you can purchase your tickets online on our website at www.rotaryappleton.org. Spread the word!
- Come join the Rotary Clubs of the Fox Cities for our 3rd Annual Rotary Day at the Timber Rattlers on Wednesday, **August 8th at 7:05 pm**. Tickets are \$25.50/adult and \$21.50/kids and includes: ticket, dinner, dessert and 2 beverage tickets. Please send checks to Meghan made out to the Rotary Club of Appleton.
- **DUES INCREASE:** Rotary International has increased their dues. The Board voted to increase our dues by \$15 for the year for all members. Invoices will be mailed out first week of July and will reflect these changes.
- **LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!** The SAS Committee is looking for volunteers to help cook and serve food on **Monday, July 2nd** at Homeless Connection. There are 2 shifts available. We currently need 1 more to cook for the 3:30-5:30 shift and 4 to help serve/clean-up for the 5:00-7:00 shift. Please sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090445a5ab23a4f58-homeless2>

GUESTS THIS WEEK

Guests this week were George Schroeder with Tom Scheetz and Dean Steingraber with the Club.

There Were No Visiting Rotarians this week

There were No make ups this week

TUESDAY, JULY 3RD, 2018- NO MEETING

Due to our 3 + 1 format we will not be meeting on Tuesday, July 3rd. Enjoy the Holiday week!

TUESDAY, JULY 10TH, 2018 – PRESIDENT NANCY LEIPZIG’S INDUCTION

We will be meeting on Tuesday, July 10th to induct our new President: Nancy Leipzig and please join us for Nancy’s Happy Hour – Tuesday, July 10th at 5:00 pm at Fox River Brewing Company at the mall.

