

# ROTARY CLUB OF APPLETON GUSTO

APRIL 16TH, 2019

DISTRICT 6220 CLUB 2656



## HISTORY MINUTE WITH WAYNE DEFFERDING

*Welcome, welcome to our meeting. We are glad you came today. Return when you are back in town, we're always glad to see you. You have a friend in Rotary.* –

reminds me of the days of the traveling salesman when society moved beyond the place of manufacturing and thus the manufacturers had to send salesman into the developing areas to sell their goods and services. It reminds me of the reason why Paul Harris and some of his business friends started the first Rotary club in Chicago – to meet and get to know others in the business world and to learn who to trust. But today we don't have traveling salesmen anymore, we have the internet!

So where did the "Welcome Song" come from? We know that in 1905 a member of the Chicago Rotary Club names Harry L. Ruggles introduced singing to the club, so we know that singing started back then. We also know that our club was singing in its early years because the manuscript of Victor Marshall indicates that on 21 September 1920 the club purchased its first song books!

So where did the Welcome Song come from? It came from Rotary International. In 1925 RI developed a list of songs for Rotary clubs, one of which was titled "The Rotary Welcome Song!"

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## OFFICERS 2018-2019

### President

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## DIRECTORS

Chris Mings

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**NEXT MEETING – APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup>**  
**MEETING –**  
World Service Committee Fundraiser  
Beneficiaries

**APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup> MEETING –Bright**  
Futures Awards

**Thought of the Day/Greeters - April**  
April 23<sup>rd</sup> – Amy Flanders  
April 30<sup>th</sup> – Kristin Ely-Bluemke

## Club Meeting Information

Weekly: Every Tuesday, at 12:00  
noon (except the first Tuesday of  
the month)

Place: Riverview Gardens  
1101 S Oneida St.

Appleton, WI 54915

**Rotarian of the Year**  
Deborah Wetter

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**Membership – 116**

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# STRATEGIC PLAN

**Goal A:** Offering informative and Relevant Programming

**Goal B:** Local Community Service Projects.

**Goal C:** Member Recruitment and Retention

**Goal D:** Increasing Visibility

**Goal E:** Linkage with District 6220 and RI



## Membership Corner

- **Dual Conference – May 17-18<sup>th</sup> at Glacier Canyon Lodge at WI Dells. Pre-register at <http://www.dualcon2019.com/registration.html> A "Saturday Only" registration has been added to Dual Conference and the fee is \$100.00. This includes all meals, sessions, attending our district annual meeting, spending time in the House of Friendship, receiving a copy of John Wiley's new book, "Bottom Half Teens"-hearing awesome speakers, enjoying fellowship and meeting new friends from both districts. The deadline for registrations is April 30<sup>th</sup>.**
- **Rotary at the Timber Rattlers! Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup> Game time: 6:35pm – Pre-game Tailgating starting at 4:30pm – tickets \$11.50+tax – Let Meghan know if you're interested**
- **We are looking for Host families for the Friendship Exchange for Rotarians from Uganda and Nigeria on May 19<sup>th</sup>.**

### **History Minute continued:**

I researched further and found out that in the U.S. only about half of the clubs sing, and many of the Welcome Songs that they sing are different but somewhat similar. That leads me to believe that the welcome song was probably passed around at Rotary conferences and conventions and that each club developed its own version of the Welcome song. While researching Rotary archives I came across an article dated **September 1952** that reported the results of research into what the favorite songs were back then that Rotary clubs sang. Of 150 U.S. clubs that were contacted these are the results, in order:

10. School Days
9. Pack up your troubles
8. Shine on harvest moon
7. Down by the old mill stream
6. There's a long, long trail
5. Smile
4. Grandfather's clock
3. Let me call you sweetheart
2. I want a girl just like the girl that dear old dad had
1. Home on the range.

Notice: The "Welcome Song" did not make the top ten!

Wayne will provide another History minute on Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> discussing the history of Women in Rotary.



### **This Weeks Program: Rotary on the Road**

**FVTC Health Simulation Technology Center** brings together students and healthcare professionals with high-tech simulation equipment capable of replicating real-life patient care scenarios. <https://www.cma.com/projects/fvtc-health-simulation-and-technology-center/>

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