

TIDINGS



WELCOME TO THE
RIVER FALLS ROTARY CLUB

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The ROTARY Four-way Test

- Is it the truth?
- Is it fair to all concerned?
- Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

River Falls Rotary Vision Statement:

“Enhancing Opportunities for Youth; Creating a Better World for All.”

MEETING REPORT

President Mottaz called the meeting to order and she also shared devotion. Members joined in the Pledge of Allegiance, Four Way Test and club vision statement. Thanks to set up and greeters.

GUESTS:

No Guests today.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Reality Store, January 13

Elaine reminded the group that the High School is sponsoring a Financial Literacy program on January 13. Speakers and helpers are needed to help with the event from 8 a.m. to noon. Please contact Elaine if you would like to help or if you have questions. Her e-mail is: elaine.baumann@rfsd.k12.wi.us.



SURVEY OPPORTUNITY

Thomas has e-mailed a survey about the Fall Gala. Please take a few minutes to respond to the survey. The results will be used for future planning of this event and everyone’s input is important.

HAPPY BUCKS

We were small in numbers, but full of gratitude...

Ted was happy for family and 3 mile runs.

Tony was also happy for family and for good fishing in the wind. Scott J gave a buck for all the food of the season.

David donated some missed bucks. Elaine was happy for staying home this winter and still enjoying 50 degree weather!

Marti gave an endorsement for the move, “The Adventures of Tin-Tin”. Randy gave a buck and thumbs-up for the movie “Shipwrecked”.

Scott M was happy to watch his son “parasail” on the ice with just his coat and a good, strong wind.

Vince was missing the snow. Thomas was happy for a slower paced week at work and a chance to get caught up.

Steve S. missed having the kids for Christmas but will be visiting soon! Harold shared a Christmas gift story about surprises and similar tastes. Dale was happy for time with his grandson and a successful semester of graduate school for his wife.

Ted shared a story about restoring his wife’s wedding rings and keeping it a surprise - until the grandkids noticed! Tony bought his wife a pair of earrings. She got one for Christmas and the other will be for her birthday.

Carrie was happy to see her dad’s guitar fully restored and waiting under the tree!

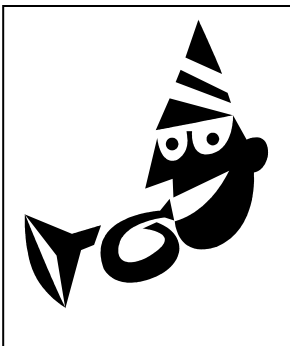
Carole is happy her dishwasher will be connected today.

Thanks to all who attended this last meeting of 2011. Best wishes for a productive and blessed 2012.

Rotary is an organization of business and professional men and women united worldwide who provide **humanitarian** service, encourage **high ethical standards** in all vocations, and help **build goodwill and peace** in the world."



www.rotary5960.org – check out the great things in our district!



SOCIAL TIME –“CHARACTER COUNTS”

Since our group was so small, Steve will share his classification talk at a later date so more members can hear his story.

We only occupied two tables with the group present this week, so the social time was intimate and appreciated. Our stories of family and holiday celebrations seemed to meander into remembrances about growing up in River Falls. Even those of us transplants who will never truly be “townies” enjoyed the stories of the characters who wove the fabric of River Falls as we know it today.

There was the story of the town gossip who knew everything about everybody. You could run into this character at the local café. That would be the one at the front window, keeping an eye on the goings-on with a pencil and paper handy to document any important information for the column in the local paper. Then there was the car salesman who gave such good deals to his customers that he would suggest they attend confession for the steal they made. There was the bicyclist with the flowers and a strong-willed attitude. We heard about the brothers – one as honest as the day is long and the other who was apparently quite the opposite and hung with an unsavory cohort.

There were stories of characters that influenced the direction of local government, empowered the school district, and shaped the business scene. The teachers who changed the direction of students and the leaders who made an impact on the city were remembered by the mix of generations around the table. Some were stories of great and positive impact and others were ... not so much.

And so I wonder as we enter a New Year, how will you be remembered by generations around the table when you move on? Will they remember you for the great lessons you taught simply by how you lived? Will you be remembered for making a positive difference? Or will you be thought of like that “other brother” who hung with unsavory influences? Will you be known as the dishonest politician or business leader who acted in your own best interest without respect for the outcomes on others?

In Rotary, we repeat the Four-Way Test 52 weeks a year! It was evident in the stories shared that the characters who were remembered with respect and fondness would easily meet the objectives of the Four-Way Test. As you recite this test each meeting in 2012, think about the words and reflect on how you put them into action the week prior as well as how you can apply them in the week ahead: 1. Is it the TRUTH? 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned? 3. Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS? 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Each day, we build our character in our attitudes, actions, and decisions. Let’s strive to build characters in 2012 that future generations will remember with respect, reverence and smiles. Happy 2012 to everyone!



PROGRAM SCHEDULE

JANUARY

JANUARY 3 Kinni River Land Trust (Dave)

JANUARY 10 Classification Talk

JANUARY 17

JANUARY 24

JANUARY 31

Have a Program idea? Talk to Ted Marsh to schedule it!

DEVOTIONS, SET-UP AND TAKE-DOWN

Set Up/Take Down 2012

(anyone between the following names on the membership roster should plan to help):

January and February

Agrimson - Fitzel

March and April

Foster - Jilek

May and June

Johnson - McKay

July and August

McQuade - Nylander

September and October

O'Malley - Schroeder

November and December

Seidling - Young

DEVOTIONS 2012

January - June

January	3	Josh Agrimson
	10	Kris Ainsworth
	17	Elaine Baumann
	24	Samantha Bluhm
	31	Joe Boles
February	7	Rosanne Bump
	14	Larry Cicchese
	21	Randy Cudd
	28	Carrie Fisher
March	6	Travis Fitzl
	13	Connie Foster
	20	Mark Gabriel
	27	Garrett Gill
April	3	Steve Goff
	10	Paul Goudreault
	17	Debbie Griffin
	24	Gorden Hedahl
May	1	Harold Henson
	8	Tony Jilek
	15	Jeff Johnson
	22	Scott Morrissette
	29	Dale Jorgenson
June	5	John Kramer
	12	Jim LaPoint
	19	Steve Leitch
	26	Heather Logelin

NOTE: If you are unable to attend, please make arrangements to have these responsibilities covered.

Ideally you would find someone to trade with. *If you make a trade, please let the Tidings editor know.*

Rotary District 5960 has a resource for devotions. If you are looking for something to read, you might [check this link](#).



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ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR

2003:	Tom Bloom
2005:	Tom Garfin
2006:	Dale Jorgenson
2006:	Jerry Tack
2006:	Kevin Pechacek
2007:	John Kremer
2008 & 2009:	Carole Mottaz
2010:	Debbie Griffin
2011:	Gorden Hedahl

PAST PRESIDENTS

1999:	Tom Bloom
2000:	Gorden Hedahl
2001:	David Brassfield
2002:	Randy Cudd
2003"	Bill Montgomery
2004:	Tom Palmer
2005:	Connie Foster
2006:	Steve Schroeder
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