

Rotary



Club of Wauwatosa

Welcome to the Rotary Club of Wauwatosa

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

Rotary club membership represents a cross-section of the community's business and professional men and women. The world's Rotary clubs meet weekly and are nonpolitical, nonreligious, and open to all cultures, races, and creeds.

Rotary membership provides the opportunity to: Become connected to your community. Work with others in addressing community needs. Interact with other professionals in your community; assist with RI's international humanitarian service efforts. Establish contacts with an international network of professionals. Develop leadership skills. Involve family in promoting service efforts.



BE THE INSPIRATION

Best Coffee In Town!

By John C Ericson on Saturday, August 29, 2020



Newsletter - October 14, 2020

By John Edward Bauer

Club Meeting

Wauwatosa
Meets at Radisson Hotel Milwaukee West
2303 N. Mayfair Road
Wauwatosa, WI 53226
Time: Wednesday at 12:00 PM

Events / Speakers

October 28th
[Pete Loeffel - Director, Wauwatosa Public Library](#)
November 11th
[David Crowley, Milwaukee County Executive](#)

Club Leaders



[Rick David Steinberg](#)
President



[Anne Ruttger Neafie](#)
President - Elect



[John A. Sebald](#)
Vice President



[Robert P. Niedermann CPA](#)
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[Richard Frenn](#)
Sergeant - at - Arms



[Jonathan Lorenzen](#)
Sergeant - at - Arms



[Aaron D. Sebald](#)
Sergeant - at - Arms

[John C. Ericson](#)
Club Executive Secretary
Webmaster

The Rotary Club of Wauwatosa
October 14, 2020
BULLETIN

President Rick opened the meeting by leading the club in the Pledge of Allegiance. The invocation was provided by Tom Kirchen who recited the Prayer of St. Francis, an appropriate and relevant beginning for our meeting.

There were no birthdays to celebrate. However, our ebullient president announced that he and his wife Mary are observing their 29th wedding anniversary on October 19.

Richard Frenn is celebrating 19 years as a Rotarian, also on the 19th.

Several announcements were shared for the common good:

Robert Niedermann passed along information related to Rotary International's Social Media Polio Day contest. President Rick encouraged us to post information about Rotary's polio eradication efforts on our Facebook page and our website. This year, World Polio Day is October 24.

Presidente Ricardo also informed those present that the Membership Committee met last Friday and has decided to host a visitor's day on February 14, a Thursday, providing hors d'oeuvres, libations, and other goodies at no charge to guests. The program will feature information about our club but will also bring attention to the 128th Air Refueling Wing. Donations to support the Wing will be sought. Operations Group Commander Col. Adria Zuccaro will be the featured speaker.

Our chief financial officer and commander of the checkbook, Robert Niedermann, has sent out quarterly statements. It would appear that some members are a tad bit delinquent in meeting their obligation and should submit their remittance forthwith and *post-haste*.

John Ericson shared the following information about former member Jim Del Balso: ♦ Jim has been experiencing exercise-induced angina for about a month. He's gone through very extensive testing, and the result is that he will have open heart surgery this coming Friday at Froedtert Hospital. Jim had been expecting to have a couple of stents inserted, but after going through a heart catheterization last week, it was determined that four arteries are nearly completely blocked. He will need three and perhaps four bypass grafts and will be in the hospital for about a week. Jim will have to sit in the back seat of a car for a month or so because of the potential injury to his chest that could be caused by the deployment of an airbag. ♦ Please keep Jim in your thoughts and prayers.

Tom Kirchen thanked everyone for their nutty orders. We are close to reaching \$6000 in sales. Tom will be submitting the order this afternoon. Robert Niedermann, Bill Bode, and your humble bulletin editor will be responsible for pick-up and delivery.

Today's program was provided by none other than our very own Rich Mannisto. Because October 24 is World Polio Day, he shared information with us about Rotary's decades-long efforts to not only eradicate this deadly disease but to make sure it doesn't return.

He shared two stories. Bill is in his 60's. He was a football and wrestling coach who contracted a rare form of polio and survived, albeit with a significant limp. Arvid, known to others in the room, contracted polio in his youth. Despite crippling him in both legs, he was a successful businessman and now farms more than 1000 acres in south-central Minnesota. In his upper 70's, he has persevered and contributed much to many nonprofit organizations.

Rich was kind enough to hand out information sheets which nicely summarized Rotary's efforts, saving your humble bulletin



Craig Schmutzer
Club Programs Chair



John Edward Bauer
iPast President



Years of Service

John A Sebald
11-13-2019
1 Year

editor from having to transcribe. For those who were not in attendance, the materials have been scanned and are attached.

In closing, President Rick will be meeting with the Wauwatosa/West Allis Chamber membership group this Friday. His law firm will be joining, but he will also discuss having our club rejoin the Chamber.

A crisp 20-dollar bill bought Rich Mannisto freedom from having to listen to another joke. The Foundation thanks you, Rich.

And with that, the meeting was adjourned!

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Bauer, recorder of meeting flotsam and jetsam, (by the way, who knows the difference?)

