

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.

Western Great Lakes Rotary District Conference

"Tricon"



April 18 - 20, 2024

Learn more and register: <https://www.rotarywglconf.org/>

Wauwatosa Rotary Foundation Gourmet Nuts Fundraiser



It's still that nutty time of the year! That's right, nuts continue to be available for purchase

Club Meeting

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

Events / Speakers

February 14th
Wauwatosa Weekly Club Meeting
Speaker: Shannon Angell
Subject: Classification Speech

February 21st
Wauwatosa Weekly Club Meeting

February 28th
Wauwatosa Weekly Club Meeting

March 6th
Wauwatosa Weekly Club Meeting
Speaker: Alli Delano
Subject: Milwaukee 2024 Host Committee

March 6th
Wauwatosa Board Meeting

Club Leaders



William Carl Makal
President



Aaron D. Sebald
President-Elect
Membership Chair



Jerry Broitzman
Sergeant-at-Arms
Vice President



Jonathan Lorenzen
Secretary



Robert P. Niedermann CPA
Treasurer



Dale A. Yerkes
Treasurer-Elect



Richard Frenn
Sergeant-at-Arms



Richard Todd Mannisto
Rotary Foundation Chair

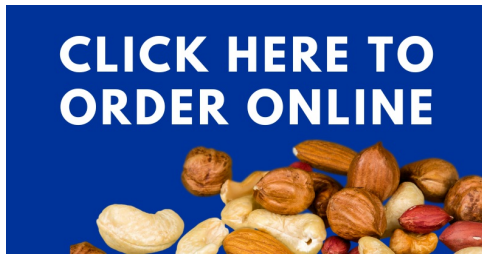


Peter M. Skanavis
Sergeant-at-Arms

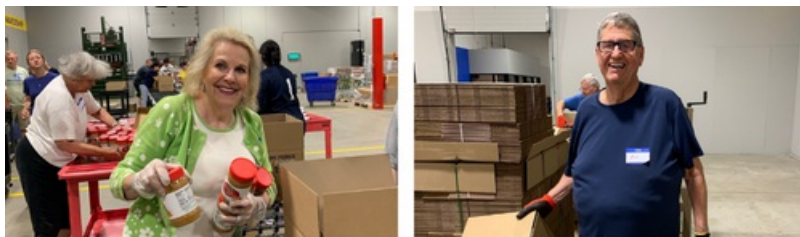
into the holiday season! Please consider supporting the Wauwatosa Rotary Foundation by placing an order for delicious gourmet nuts from the A.L. Schutzman Co. These sweet and savory treats are perfect for holiday gifts or any special occasion. Most of all, your participation in this fundraiser supports the service and outreach efforts of our club and Rotary International.

Orders may be placed [online](#) or by [printing and submitting](#) an order form. For questions, please contact [Tom Kirchen](#).

Minimum order of three (3) items.



Serving Our Community



[Rick David Steinberg](#)
Sergeant-at-Arms



[Paul Alan Vandeveld](#)
Club Programs Chair



[Robert Hugh Nelson](#)
iPast President

Years of Service

No Years Of Service Found

Club History

The History of the Wauwatosa Rotary Club

Our club was chartered in 1952 and is one of the oldest in the area. We meet every Wednesday noon at the Radisson Hotel Milwaukee West. This is a very good time to join our club as we are striving to reinvent ourselves. You would be able to play an exciting and significant role in defining the club's objectives. We recently went through a very intense strategic planning process and are committed to serving the Wauwatosa community.

On a global level Rotary International is very proud to have virtually eradicated Polio through our Polio Plus program. Through its foundation and large international membership base, Rotary offers a great deal of help to the disadvantaged throughout the world.

Our social committee arranges a number of very nice events throughout the year. Each event presents an opportune time to get to know members and spouses, all of which can be invaluable networking opportunities!

Rotary membership does require a member's dedicated participation in club meetings and functions. You need to know that Rotary is a commitment and we are looking for dedicated members who can be away from work for approximately two hours each Wednesday. In other words, your boss needs to understand your devotion to community service.

Take a look at Rotary International's website at www.rotary.org for much more information.

Newsletter - February 7, 2024

By Craig Schmutzer

We the People Competition
Notes from a Meeting of the
Rotary Club of Wauwatosa

Wednesday, February 7, 2024

Our always punctual President, Bill Makal, was especially punctual this week given that we were hosting a group of high school students from Wauwatosa West High School. (Contrary to Bill's desire to get the students back to school, the students would have preferred to linger a little while longer over lunch!) President Bill called the meeting to order by ringing the Rotary Bell at 12:20pm sharp. A group of 15 Rotarians and our guests rose to recite the Pledge of Allegiance and Four Way Test. John Sebald, performing double duty as greeter and invocator, then provided today's invocation.

General club business and announcements were brief and included:

1. Richie Frenn celebrated what is believed to be his 74th birthday yesterday. Given today's program, it is worthwhile noting that February 6 was also the birthdate of Robert M. LaFollette and Ronald Reagan. Richie takes special delight in sharing his birthdate with Zsa Zsa Gabor and Natalie Cole.
2. Ann Guagliardo's husband, Todd, also celebrated his birthday yesterday. Todd is pleased to share his birthdate with Babe Ruth and Bob Marley!
3. Robert Niedermann returned from his travels in Costa Rica. Robert expressed how absolutely beautiful the country is and how much he enjoyed being there. No word on when Robert celebrates his next birthday.
4. Amber Donovan is anticipating becoming a grandmother in the next day or two or three!
5. As a follow-up to his sad news last week, President Bill said that his oncology team will be treating his returning cancer via immunotherapy. Bill shared that the treatment is costly (~ \$40,000/month and covered by insurance) though it has proven successful with other people. All club members are praying for you, Bill, and wishing you Godspeed.



Today we welcomed back what has become a regular, annual program: a team of students (Ben, Addison, Henry, and Journey) participating in Wauwatosa West's American Public Policy Special Emphasis class (known nationally as, We the People). Typically, juniors, students in this course study the US Constitution, government structure, rights, court cases and current events. An annual competition is held at the state level with the winner participating in the Center for Civic Education's national competition held in Washington, DC. Wauwatosa West

has a powerhouse program under the leadership of faculty member Chad Mateske. Mr. Mateske has taught the course since it started being offered in the 2007 - 2008 school year at Wauwatosa West. A team from West has represented the state of Wisconsin in each of Mr. Mateske's sixteen years at the helm. Last year, Wauwatosa West placed 5th in the national competition. For more information, Wauwatosa West has finished fourth, sixth

in the national competition. In previous years, Wauwatosa West has finished fourth, ninth and tenth in the nation. Last year's national winner was the Maggie L. Walker Governor's School for Government and International Studies from Richmond, Virginia (sounds like a ringer to me!).

The student/presenters represented Unit 6 (there are six units) of the APPSE class. The unit is, "A Contemporary Conversation Concerning the Constitution." Mr. Mateske set the stage by asking the students to discuss the enforcement clause of the 15th amendment and the necessity for the Voting Rights Act of 1965. Amendments 13-15 of the constitution were passed following the Civil War. Several of the amendments to the constitution have a section at the end allowing congress to enforce the amendment with legislation. The 15th amendment prohibits the right to vote being denied based on race. At the time, it enfranchised black men. Women were subsequently covered in the 19th amendment. The Voting rights Act of 1965 widened the scope of people being discriminated against and brought them into the voting process, combating the Jim Crow laws in the South.

Following the presentation, Club members were provided the opportunity to engage in Q&A with the students.

Once again, Chad and his class from Wauwatosa West will represent the state of Wisconsin in Washington, DC this spring. Good luck! This program's success at West is truly remarkable and provides the students with awesome educational opportunities.

Respectfully Submitted,
Craig Schmutzer

Upcoming Commitments

Program

February 14: Shannon Angell will deliver her classification speech

February 21: Peter Skanavis

February 28: Rick Steinberg

March 6: Dale Yerkes will present Ali Delano of the Milwaukee 2024 Host Committee

Invoker/Greeter

February 14: Roger Walsh

February 21: Amber Donovan

February 28: Peter Skanavis

March 6: Anne Neafie