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VISITORS LAST WEEK

Apple Valley, MN Rotary
Bruce Nordquist
River Falls Rotary
Gorden Hedahl
From Germany
Joshua Garberding, Alexandra
VonMarx (guest of Sonya Jansma)

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

October 13 – Mike DiGidio – Adrenaline
Martial Arts
October 20 – Jen Richards, Crowning
Achievements
October 27 – Marian Furlong, Hudson
Hospital Update and Future Plans

UPCOMING EVENTS

Rose distribution – this weekend!
14-15-16 October

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

14 October – Brian Young

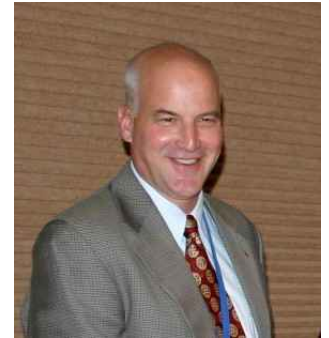
This year's theme & logo



Club Member profile – Steve Dzubay

Some people take the shortest distance between two points. Others, like fellow Rotarian and Noon Club Immediate Past President Steve Dzubay, choose the most interesting. Steve came to Hudson from Barron, Wisconsin, via New Zealand.

As a kid growing up on the banks of the Yellow River in Barron, Steve liked to fish, trap mink and “rats” (muskrats), play golf, and participate in 4-H. He was president of that club, too, by the way. His dad was a veterinarian at the local economic engine – Jerome Foods, now Hormel-owned Jenny-O Turkey as the USDA inspector-in-charge. His mother was a registered nurse at a Rice Lake medical clinic.



As a young entrepreneur, Steve made money trapping and by running his own dog kennel, which he called the Holidog Inn (he was president of that, too, of course). Barron “was a wonderful place to grow up,” he says.

During high school, Steve became interested in the visual arts, especially graphic arts and photography, and he also liked writing. After high school and before going to college, he took a year off to scuba dive and snorkel in Florida with a friend for a couple months, then work as a waiter in the Chicago area for a time.

The next year, Steve enrolled in college, first at UW-River Falls and then at the U of M’s School of Journalism. After graduation, he worked as a reporter at various small-town newspapers, working his way up to his present position as publisher (aka president) of the Hudson, River Falls and New Richmond newspapers.

Steve became involved with Rotary in 1990 when he took a leave of absence from newspapering to travel to New Zealand as a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar. His wife, Sue, also went along. He went to Christchurch and studied for an MBA at the University of Canterbury, completing 10 of 12 required courses. While there, the first Gulf War was in progress, which required Steve to answer many questions about the US involvement from the many international students at Canterbury. “I owe this organization a lifetime of debt” for the experience, Steve says.

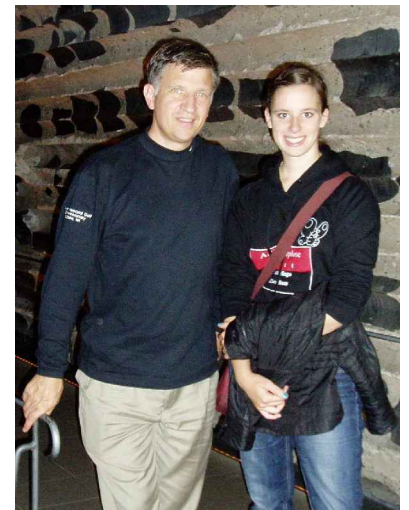
Steve lives in River Falls with wife Sue, who is a nurse supervisor at River Falls Hospital; son, Isaac, 16, and dog, Spud. Daughter Ella is a pre-nursing sophomore at Winona State University this fall.

Program – September in Europe: Three weeks and four Rotary stories

Last week we heard a report from Jeff Zais on the recent empty nest celebration trip to Sweden, Denmark, and Germany, which resulted in four Rotary stories. Two planned, two unexpected surprises.

In the Q&A time, the response to Chuck’s question about learning other languages was not really a complete picture, so Jeff contributes these follow-up comments:

“I do visit a few countries each year and never seriously study their languages. However, I really do try to learn the simple phrases like “thanks” and “please” and “do you speak English?”. Generally people respond positively when I try to toss in a few words that I know, like when ordering a cup of fruit at a food stand “ah – erdberren”, having picked up the difference between *himberren* (raspberries which Edwin turns into schnapps) and *erdberren* (strawberries which Erika turns into jam). This strategy can sometimes lead to a bit of trouble. At a bakery mumbling “ein pretzel, bitte” or “un croissant, si vous plait” to hide my Wisconsin accent can often get the clerk responding in their own language, at which point I have to fess up that they have now heard about half of my vocabulary in their language. Thank goodness for cash registers which print out the price so I can make payment in local currency - I never manage to learn numbers much past the digits one through five.”



Jeff & Francesca – Koln cathedral

Thanks to Eric this week, for the profile piece

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THE 4-WAY TEST (first adopted by Rotary in January 1943): Of the things we think, say or do, 1) Is it the TRUTH? 2) Is it FAIR to all concerned?
 3) Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS? 4) Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Meetings: Every Thursday (except holidays) at 12:00PM Central Time (Noon) @ Hudson Golf Club on Carmichael Road, Hudson, Wisconsin
 Known in Hudson as the Noon Club . Club #2177 - in District #5960, Rotary Zone #27, Rotary Area #8. Established 1951.
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Our Mission Hudson Rotary is a fellowship of engaged members, generous in spirit, committed to improving the world around us.

Our Vision We are a growing and diverse club of active and involved members. Our meetings offer fun, fellowship, and programs that are informative and inspirational. The ideals of the four-way test are encouraged by open communication among the board of directors, club members and the community. Our leadership structure fosters continuity of club goals. We are dedicated to helping people and non-profit organizations through focused local and international projects. Our club mentors local youth. We support international exchange students and programs. All members are encouraged to contribute to the Rotary Foundation and become Paul Harris Fellows. Above all, our members live Rotary's motto—Service Above Self.