

# Rotary



# Greater Portage County

**Newsletter:** March 29, 2019

## **Greetings, Rotarians and Friends!**

We meet Friday morning this week, 7:00, MSTC, Community Engagement Room

### **Program:**

Maria Centeno, from Esteli, Nicaragua  
Wisconsin Nicaragua Partners



We welcome back our friend Maria from Esteli to share with us what's new with the WNP. She is in town for a WNP program on Saturday on campus. See the flyer [here](#).

Perhaps Maria will tell us more about the relocated SPIN bikes. Look like they made it--and that there's a story here!



That is truly amazing, when you think about it. Happy to know that Rotarians helped make this happen!

We look forward to seeing Maria Friday!

**Last Week**



Lorraine Avery is the President of the Women's Fund Board and is retired from Associated Bank. Tara Manzke is owner of the local business, Bria Bella & Co. Lorraine and Tara presented to the Club on the current happenings of the Portage County Women's Fund. [Here](#) is a link to their website.

The mission of Women's Fund is to empower women philanthropists by creating opportunities to fund programs that will develop the full potential of local women and children. The Women's Fund is dedicating its twentieth year to increasing its endowment to continue to create bright futures for local women and children. The goal of the 20/20 Vision campaign is to raise \$300K to increase its endowment to \$1M.



Thanks to Rick for sitting in as meeting host last week!

### **Paul Harris Awards**

We announced last week that *six* members of the Rotary Club of Greater Portage County will be honored with Paul Harris Awards later this spring. The Paul Harris Awards recognize not only financial contributions to the Rotary Foundation but service contributions to our club, the community, and Rotary world-wide.

Those receiving the award on May 10:

Rachel Swedberg  
Eric Yonke  
Barb Mihm  
Charlie Grugel  
Trish Baker  
Corey Ladick

**Congratulations!**

### **Upcoming Weeks**

**April 5**

Club Assembly

**April 12**

Mike Ostrowski, City of Stevens Point

**April 19--No meeting**

**Also on the Calendar: Community Support Activities**

Friday, May 10, Paul Harris Awards

Saturday, May 11, Cultural Festival

Saturday, June 1, Walk Wisconsin

See you Friday! (This time I mean it!)

Bill Fehrenbach

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2018-19 President