

# LAKE OSWEGO SPOKESMAN





Like You Were There

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# WHO CALLED US TO ORDER: OUR PRESIDENT, NELL DIAMOND



The Four Way Test
Of the things we think,
say or do:

- Is it the Truth?
- Is it Fair to all Concerned?
- Will it Build Goodwill and Better Friendships?
- -Will it be Beneficial to All Concerned?

WHO LED US IN THE PLEDGE:
Mark Waller





# Terri Childress, Past President, LO Rotary Club



Terri has been a member of our Club since 2010 and married to a Past Club President, Craig Childress. She is a sustaining member serving in many committees: Community Service, Lobster Feed and Sponsorship. She also served as President of our Club during 2015-2016 and she is a decorated Paul Harris Fellow. She loves her profession as an interior designer.



## **UPCOMING EVENTS AND PROGRAMS**

- ■Tonight (11/16)! 5:30 Board of Directors Meeting
- Thursday (11/19): Ongoing Social Justice book discussions
- ✓ Noon reading hosted by Rick Czerniejewski
- √4 pm book Hosted by Curtis Schade
- •Save the Date: Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, Holiday Dinner and Winetasting!

All meetings are currently via Zoom. If you need contact info, please check our lorotary.org website, or email Nell and she will forward to the organizer. nelldiamondemail@gmail.com

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A REPORT: Lake Oswego Interact – Tech Support was last Saturday, November 14th!

Summary forwarded from Mikayla Moore, Interact Advisor and President of Willamette Rotaract: Presented to our Club by President Nell Diamond

The Lake Oswego Interact Club hosted a Teen Tech Event this past weekend on Saturday the 14th from 1-3 PM.

They helped twelve seniors by answering their tech-related questions in a virtual one-on-one setting using Zoom.

Questions ranged from how to set up TV programs to learning how cookies work.

Some friendly feedback included:

"I feel a lot more comfortable with my Chromebook!"

"This was very helpful. Please extend my gratitude to the Rotary Club and of course, the High School ROTARY!"

**Pauline Petersen** 



Pauline Petersen is a student at Lakeridge High School, and leads the Lake Oswego Interact Club, our Rotary-Sponsored Club for teens.

Take Out Thursday, November 19th! This week we are supporting Nicoletta's Table – All restaurants are take-out only, for now. 333 S State St Lake Oswego, OR 97034





Lake Oswego & Kruse Way





# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rotaract Bottle Drive-DROPOFF at Heritage House, Saturday, November 21st, 11-noon.



Registration is open! - November 21st 2020 Lakewood Online Silent Auction. https://www.lakewoodcenter.org/pages/lakewood-in-lights-2020

Enter into a drawing \$250 bidding credit and there are numerous attractive auction items as well.



### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Holiday Rotarian Dinner and Moffett Vineyards Wine Tasting Event! Saturday, December 5th. ALL ORDERS ARE DUE BY NOVEMBER 26TH, 2020 AT 7:00PM. \$25/Couple!

#### HOLIDAY ROTARIAN DINNER AND WINE TASTING EVENT

Saturday, December 5, 2020

Pick up at the Lakewood between 5:30-6:00. Dinner via ZOOM at 6:30

#### Dinner Option #1

Roast beef dinner with sauteed mushrooms and onions homemade red skinned mashed potatoes and brown gravy petite sweet corn dinner salad garlíc toast

For dessert: a slice of cheesecake with strawberries

#### Dinner Option #2

Grilled Alaskan wild caught salmon dinner rice pilaf Braised broccoli garlíc toast dinner salad

For dessert: a slice of cheesecake with strawberries



Experience Moffett Vineyards with 4 wine tasters! As a small family producer of wines uniquely reflecting their roots from both Willamette and Napa Valley. Their winery is dedicated to both making the highest quality wines of limited production while emphasizing strong personal relationships with our customers through their wine club and tastings at their Terrarossa Vineyard in the Dundee Hills.

Tickets are \$25 per couple: https://rotary-club-of-lake-oswego.square.site/



# **Upcoming Rotary: Lakewood Clean-up!** Saturday, November 28th





# **GUESTS AND VISITING ROTARIANS**

- Paul van Roon, a Rotarian moved to Lake Oswego from San Diego Rotary Club (Kevin Costello's Guest).
- Sharon Starr, Joined us from France!

### FEATURED SPEAKER: ROSE MONEY

Topic: "Family Promise of Tualatin Valley" <u>www.familypromiseoftv.org/donate</u>



Rose Money, Executive Director of Family Promise of Tualatin Valley, was introduced by Nell Diamond. Rose has the history of advocating for those who have little or no voice. As Director of Caring Pods of Tigard and Tualatin School District, she worked in the frontlines with hundreds of school children and adults who longed for basic needs for food, clothing and shelter. With this background and serving community in mind, she founded and built Family Promise of Tualatin Valley.

Rose was born in San Francisco, CA, and lived in multiple household settings in her early years of her life. Recently, she lived in Lake Oswego and currently in West Linn. She has worked with several local non-profit organizations including Project Pooch, Oregon Humane Society, Dress for Success, and several other organizations. Her work experience has been in sales management, marketing and fundraising. She has degrees in Early Childhood Education. She loves to spend time with her family and her dog Bodega, a career change dog from Oregon's Guide Dogs for the Blind.

Rose told us homeless families are a very hidden population and in the tri-county area today about 1,300 families are waitlisted for shelter. Clackamas County in 2019 had 1,166 homeless folks living in the community, a 9% increase from year 2018. Family homelessness is on the rise and projected to increase in the coming years. Unaffordable housing is the number one reason for homelessness. Family Promise is an individual 501 c3 meaning a tax-exempt, charitable organization and Family Promise National has been around for over 30 years. While working for Tigard-Tualatin School District, Rose ran a Caring Pantry, a clothing closet for children. Four years ago by the year-end they served over 2,400 children with clothing needs. During that time Rose set out to help the homeless community in Washington and Clackamas county area. Family Promise ran by Beaverton School District and the team associated with this organization helped building the organization she runs today. The goal of Family Promise is "to help families experiencing homelessness achieve sustainable housing and independence through community-based response." Family Promise coordinates local efforts that bring communities together to help homeless families to regain their housing and heir independence. Their Day Center is located on 20425 SW Stafford Road by GEM Rock Farm. Last year they served over 300 students from Lake Oswego, Tigard and Tualatin School Districts. If you add the younger siblings down to infants and adults, the population size would be much larger. Some are situationally homeless being lost their job/s recently or had health issues leading to loss of their wealth. Some are chronically homeless being homes over a year due to mental disorder, substance abuse or physical disability. Once you lose the home, it becomes very difficult to get back and invariably requires some advocacy to help them out.

There is an expected 45% rise in homeless student population for school year 2021, Rose said. Family Promise has received a grant through The Cares Act to support the homeless, but the grant expires end of 2020. They have rented rooms in local motels to support the homeless community and currently looking for a large static facility of 8-10 rooms to rent out. Because the Federal CDC's eviction moratorium will be lifted on Jan 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021, many will be homeless in the early months of 2021. Immediate need is food support for the families (donate at: 20425 SW Stafford Road, Tualatin, OR 97062).

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