



Monmouth Independence Rotary Club Weekly

Thursday, October 15, 2020 ~ 12:00 noon

Club Officers

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Zoom M-I Rotary - Meeting Link Info

LINK TO USE EVERY WEEK (on your iPad or PC or MAC):

<https://zoom.us/j/94300462911?pwd=SVRXQkFDb2J6a3llek1RY2FaMnlsUT09>

Meeting ID: 943 0046 2911

Password: 1212 – note only needed for first time login.

Quote of the Week

“Shelter In Place - Long before the pandemic, the trees knew how to guard one place with roots and shade. Moss found how to hug a stone for life. Every stream works out how to move in place, staying home even as it flows generously outward, sending bounty far. Now is our time in practice – singing from balconies, sending words of comfort by any courier, hoarding lonesome generosity to shine in all directions like stars.” Kim Robert Stafford (born 1949 Portland, Oregon) ~ Associate Professor and founding director of the Northwest Writing Institute at Lewis & Clark College. Kim served from 2018 to 2020 as Oregon’s Poet Laureate, as did his father William before him from 1975 until 1990



“Our mission is to promote fellowship, service, high ethical standards, world understanding and peace through the works of local business, professional and community leaders.”



Last week Chuck Thurman shared the fascinating tale of how his life led him to get into “electricity” as a profession, bringing his wonderful talents to Monmouth back in 2011 when he became the City’s Superintendent of the Power & Light department. It was interesting to hear of his hobby of raising highland cows, until he recently sold them all and his home in rural Monmouth, so he could move into town for health reasons. We are so grateful his sight is returning, after a terrible scare, so he can continue his good works around town and amongst us all. Thanks for the great trade talk Chuck – hopefully Ramon will post it soon!

Bonnie Ross, our Rotarian PeaceBuilders' Chair, has been participating in the Rotarian Action Group for Peace with such dignitaries as our own DG for Oregon, Jo Crenshaw, and Al Jubbitz also from District 5100 (read more about Al here: <https://rotaryactiongroupforpeace.org/about/leadership/al-jubbitz/>). In addition to having both of these wonderful individuals come to speak to the Club over the next few weeks, Bonnie is seeking to find us articles and references on Peace and Social Justice so we can become more informed if interested in this worthy pursuit.

At their last meeting, speaker Vince Elmore provided his stories of his youth and professional journey and topical stories on the "Unintended Consequences of Civilian Oversight" from a group to which he belongs: "PERF" (Police Executive Research Forum).

Here are a few ideas from an email Bonnie sent that speak to breaking the logjam of these unintended consequences:

Step 1. If a Civilian Review Board is being considered, advise your community that this model is ineffective and outdated, and that there are better models to consider. Professor Sam Walker's discussion with PERF (see link below) is a good place to start.

Step 2. Arbitration processes under union contracts or civil service laws need to be shared with the public when arbitrators overturn what Police management recommended. Chiefs in this situation should tell their state lawmakers, mayors, city councils, and communities, "You took discipline away from me and gave it to the arbitrators. If you aren't happy about anything bad that is done by an officer I tried to fire, you can talk to the arbitrators about it, not me."

Step 3: Educate the community about what's happening. Produce regular public reports with details and statistics about the decisions of arbitrators, compared with recommendations by the chief. And publicize those reports with your local news media and social media accounts.

Step 4: Consider different, more productive models. Some jurisdictions are creating new models of auditors, inspector generals, or ombudsmen who look at organizational issues rather than individual cases.

For more info on this topic, here is the PERF website: <https://www.policeforum.org/criticalissuesjuly27>

We Connect People ~ 1.2 Million members and 35,000+ clubs

Rotary unites more than a million people: Through Rotary clubs, people from all continents and cultures come together to exchange ideas, and form friendships and professional connections while making a difference in their backyards and around the world.

We Transform Communities ~ 16 Million volunteer hours each year.

We take action locally and globally: Each day, our members pour their passion, integrity, and intelligence into completing projects that have a lasting impact. We persevere until we deliver real, lasting solutions.

We Solve Problems ~ 2.5 Billion children immunized against polio.

No challenge is too big for us: For more than 110 years, we've bridged cultures and connected continents to champion peace, fight illiteracy and poverty, promote clean water and sanitation, and fight disease.

Our Causes

- ◆ Promoting Peace
- ◆ Fighting Disease
- ◆ Supporting the Environment
- ◆ Savings Mothers & Children
- ◆ Supporting Education
- ◆ Providing Clean Water
- ◆ Growing Local Economies

Our Local Leadership:



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District Governor

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Doris Gene Towery,
Assistant Governor

<https://isrotaryforyou.com/>



Ramon Martinez, Club President
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20-21 THEMES: International = "Rotary Opens Opportunities"

M-I Rotary = "Unidos" [United/Together]

More news from Oregon Rotary's District 5100 – and ways to “get involved”

(excerpted from the September 2020 newsletter)

Put "International Service" into your Club
By Stewart Martin, Global Grants Chair

Our organization is Rotary International. How does your club put the "I" (International) into what you do?

We have 68 Rotary clubs and 6 Rotaract clubs. Of those 74, only a handful lead projects in International Service ("IS") and about half contribute to support IS projects. Does your club? Why, or why not? Maybe that is worth some thought.

International Service clubs vary in size from small to large. They tend to give 10% to 25% of their funds raised to IS projects or programs. Those that lead have taken some time to learn, make connections, and find worthy projects. We have excellent training these days, online - from the comfort of your home. And plenty of funding to match what your club and others combine. For instance, a few thousand dollars from your club, combined with others, can turn into \$15K, then be doubly matched for a \$45K project value, plus volunteer time. International Service projects can transform a school or an entire village.

Or, later you can step forward to become a leader, and meanwhile your club can support these hardworking volunteer IS Rotarians in our district.

Is someone in your club ready to step forward? District 5100 leaders are ready to assist. And we have four volunteer Rotarians with project and grant experience, ready to coach you at each step of the way. Every day the coaches are helping Rotarians like you strategize, fit their project ideas into Rotary's grant program, assure they will be sustainable, fill out forms and get grant approval. They know how to help you collaborate - be a real partner - with the host club in the developing country. Beyond grant approval, they can help with logistics like implementation plans, accounting, money transfers, monitoring and evaluation, and that final report that brings a big satisfied grin, and applause from your club members.

So, do you, or does someone, in your club have a hankering to make a big difference? To empower rural families or small businesses to become sustainable? Or to teach someone how to farm or fish? Reduce the harm from diseases, or improve education? You can. You too can be an International Service Rotarian.

To start, write to [PDG Renee Campbell](#), our District International Service Chair, and “attend” the monthly District International Service Committee Meeting by Zoom on the third Wednesday of each month (except July and December) from 4:00-5:30.

At last week's Rotary, there was quite a bit of discussion around Food Bank participation given continued challenges for many recovering from the wildfire devastation. Our own Patty Nevue of course coordinates for the [Ella Curran Foodbank](#), but there are also opportunities to contribute to or volunteer at the [WOU Food Pantry](#) or more broadly to the [Oregon Food Bank](#) (all three organizations cooperate of course, so convenience to you could be the driver!).

On Oct.22nd, President Ramon Martinez is suggesting a POSSIBLE outdoor, socially distanced lunch meeting so we may officially recognize and welcome our newest members, as well as see the Peace Crane that was recently installed in Inspiration Park in Independence. Of course this is weather permitting AND subject to more discussion on this topic at our Zoom meeting on Oct.15th to assess people's comfort with such a social gathering. Masks would be de rigueur and bringing your own lawn chair would again be recommended. Lunch will hopefully be arranged as was done last time, but we would all contribute to pay for same. An email will go out to advise where we land with this, so please keep your eyes out for same. In the meantime, ALL are invited to hear DG Jo Crenshaw at our Zoom meeting this week!

Interested in club flexibility? Here are some ideas to help you get started.

- ◆ 3 ways flexibility is paying off for clubs
- ◆ Satellite clubs thrives
- ◆ Rotaractors help Rotary clubs grow
- ◆ Online meetings draw younger members
- ◆ Corporate memberships add to club's roster

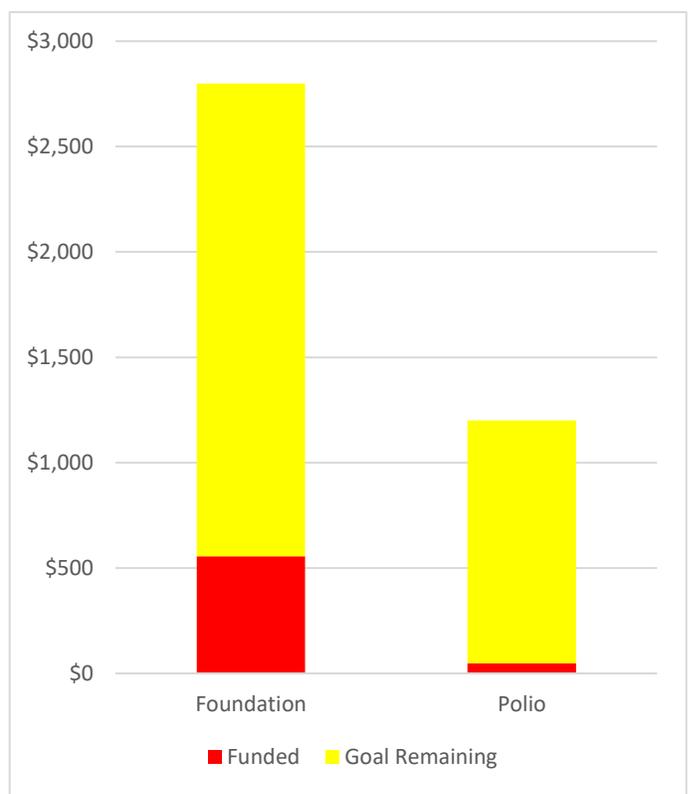
Go to the Rotary International website (Rotary International <https://www.rotary.org/>) for more info on how to grow our club.

Rotary International Foundation 2020/21 Annual Goals

25 Members giving an average of \$100 per member equals \$2500 per year.

Received as of October 15th: \$555
Average per person ~ \$22

Rotary Foundation Stars 2019/20	Rotary Foundation Stars 2020/21
John Hasbrook	John Hasbrook
Karin Johnson	Karin Johnson
Sandy Newland	Sandy Newland
Ram Sil	Ram Sil
Ed Dover	Patty Nevue
Janet Chenard	
Al Oppliger	
Jayne Oppliger	
Morris Johnson	
Bob Archer	
Ben Stange	
Paul Sieber	
Jim Birken	



Polio Plus 2020/21 Goal

Goal: ~\$1,200
YTD = \$48/Avg per person= \$2
Polio Plus Stars
Laurel Sharmer

Peace Program

Year to date = \$0

Serving Our Club TENTATIVELY in the coming weeks

Date	Trade Talk and/or Programs	Flag Salute	Invocation/ Inspirational Moment
Oct 15	Jo Crenshaw, DG	Sandy Newland	Paul Doellinger
Oct 22	New Member & Peace Crane Dedication Ceremony – Outside at Inspiration Garden?	Jim Birken	Janet Chenard
Oct 29	Ed Dover and/or Janet Chenard – Trade Talk?	Ben Stange	Paul Doellinger
Nov 5	Emily Vala-Haynes, WOU Health Update?	Karin Johnson	Bob Archer
Anytime		Paul Sieber	



The Four Way Test

of the things we think, say and do

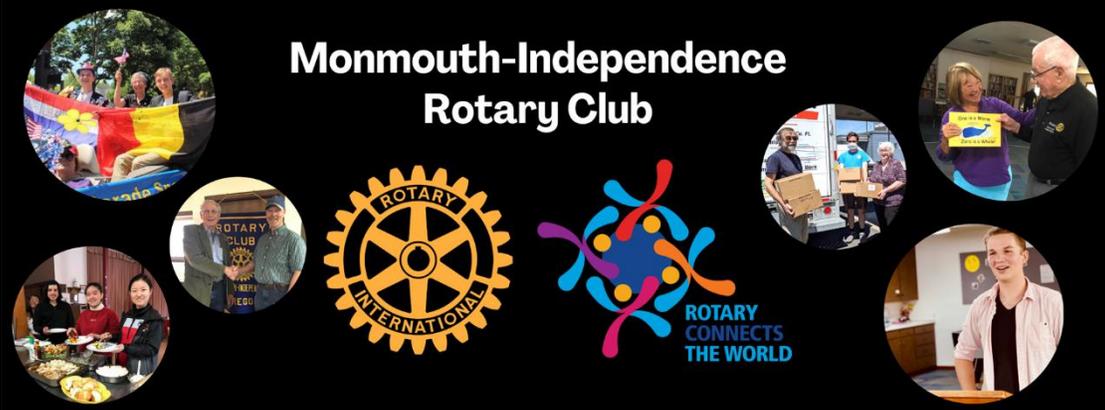
1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

Program Coordinators

August 2020	Chuck Thurman
Sept 2020	Chuck Thurman
October 2020	N/A
November 2020	Paul Doellinger
December 2020	
January 2021	
February 2021	
August 2020	
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