

Rotary



Club of Medford Rogue

August 11th Communicator

Medford Rogue Rotary: Chartered April 20, 1977

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Location: Rogue Valley Country Club at 2660 Hillcrest Rd. - ballroom on upstairs level

Time: 12:10 pm

OR

Zoom for those Rotarians who are unable to make the meeting the zoom link will open at 12:00

Zoom meeting link: [Click Here For Meeting](#)

Topic: MRR Weekly Rotary Meeting

Time: Aug 11, 2021 12:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84839615875?pwd=emxZZ25lV1J3UTVZMUUpOd3F2NmVwQT09>

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Involved Rotarians

Inspirational Moment: Bob Hunter

Sergeant at Arms: Judy Basker

Greeters: Paul Christy

Attendance: Jennifer Mylenek

Technology: John VanSickle

Song for Today

In person singing will return when safe

[Click Here For Song](#)

Thanks to Frank Pulver

This Week's Speaker: Martin Majkut, Conductor, Rogue Valley Symphony

Topic: Making Music in Difficult Times

Last Week's Speaker: Dr. Bret Champion, Medford SD Superintendent

Summary of last week's topic: Back to school -- almost! Insights into the "new year" at Medford's schools

Introduced by Julie Gillis

Dr. Bret Champion became Medford SD Superintendent in 2019, coming from supervising a school district in the Austin, TX area. He's proud to have been part of the Medford School District's creation of its shared vision, that ALL are learning and learning is for ALL.

As part of the summer 2021 update, he shared the Coherency Map for the school district highlighting that students are at the center of their work. His primary goals are getting the kids across the stage at graduation and assuring that in 5 years every third grade student will be reading at grade level.

With state summer school money the goal has been to provide a summer experience rather than summer school; meaning the time will be spent by the students hands on, minds on and workshop free

He celebrates the girls basketball team who after having state championship games canceled last year, went undefeated this year and won the state championship.

More medical workers, more welders, more people in building trades are needed and Medford SD has programs to train for all three. Upon graduation students can go straight to welding jobs or graduate with Certified Nursing Aid certificates.

Regarding the 2021-22 Guidance about Face Coverings - He refuses to make the school year about this. The SD will follow the state mandates as they are given and move on not letting COVID-19 distract from the real work - teaching students. A Medford Online Academy has been created so that if parents don't want to send kids with masks, they can go to Medford Online academy, K-12 completely taught by teachers.

August 18: No in person meeting at the Country Club

Various committees will be meeting to prepare for the upcoming Rotary year.

Please check with your Committee Chairs and mark your calendars appropriately.

August 25:

Topic: It's Just a Hill -- Get Over It!

Speaker: Tara Millan

In Person Meeting RSVP Instructions

There will be no in person meeting August 18th. You **will receive an email** lunch reservation invite on **AUGUST 18th** for the **August 25th** in person meeting. Please complete it and **return by noon, Thursday, August 19th**. We need to give the Country Club advance notice for meals to prepare. Full meal cost is \$20 (included meeting room fee) or \$10 for meeting room fee. **RSVP IS REQUIRED** to ensure we have plenty of food and seating

A mask requirement may be implemented at a future date if required.

New Member Applicants and Sponsor Responsibilities:

The Membership Committee has revised the mentor program for new members. Instead of the committee assigning a mentor, the new member's sponsor will now be responsible for that role. Sponsor/mentor responsibilities will include assisting the new member with finding the right fit for two committee assignments, accompanying the new member to a fellowship event, and also sitting with the new member at two or more of our regular meetings in order to introduce them to fellow Rotarians. We hope that these changes will help to quickly integrate the new member to our club.

Pickleball Sponsorship Opportunities

We have three levels of individual and business sponsorships for our September 17-19 Rogue Rotary Pickleball Fest tournament. The levels are: Major Sponsor - \$2500, Gold Sponsor - \$1000 and Silver Sponsor - \$500. We are pleased to announce that Lithia 4Kids, JB Steel and Northwestern Mutual have agreed to be major sponsors. Their support will benefit Medford Rogue Rotary's local youth programs which include Kids Unlimited basketball, building school and nonprofit playgrounds, providing food packs and recognizing students through our student recognition program.

This is a great start but now we need your help. Please consider a sponsorship - it goes for a great cause. Reach out to our sponsorship committee of Larry Hildebrandt, George Prokop, Kellie Hill and Cheryl Dyer for assistance. Together, let's benefit our local youth!

And, for those who are willing to think big, naming rights for the tournament are available beginning next year.

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

Our Clubs Signature Event - September 17-19 ROGUE ROTARY PICKLEBALL FEST

We are looking for volunteers:

FELLOWSHIP EVENTS

Rotary YOGA

Join Sally Buck for Yoga! August 20th

Bring your own Yoga mat, aids if desired, towel (for damp grass or hot tub/pool), and drinks (your choice on the definition). Third Friday of every month in Sally's backyard from 12-1 p.m. Plenty of room to social distance. **All skill levels welcome.** Music will be "spa" or "classical". Spouses, friends and kids are welcome as long as they can be respectful of those desiring meditation conditions.

Hot tub/pool available for post practice recovery.

RSVP is not necessary. Location: 2680 Country Park Lane in Medford. Questions? sbuckemail@gmail.com or 402-916-0047

Health Topic : Will return in September
