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Special COVID-19 Edition



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UPCOMING PROGRAMS & EVENTS

- Mar 25 – **Foundation Board Meeting - CANCELED**
- Oct 26, Apr 2, Apr 9 – **Regular Club Meetings - CANCELED**
- Apr 8 – **Club Board Meeting – to be determined**
- Apr 28 – **Great American Clean-up Project – CANCELED**
District Assembly - CANCELED

Dear Friends,

I hope you are all well and taking the advice to shelter in place very seriously. Unfortunately, I am sure that some of us will come down with COVID-19, and if you do and need help, please send a message out to your fellow Rotarians. None of us should be left alone.

Our Foundation Board is looking a ways to help lessen the impact of the virus on our community, and when they have reached a determination on exactly how, we'll let everyone know. Meantime, I know that our food banks will make good use of any contributions any of us can make on our own. I suspect most of the service workers in our community will face real economic hardship. Any help we can give to help these folks make ends meet really will be welcome. If you have any ideas how our club can help, please let all of us know.

I believe we may have to cancel regular meetings through May, so perhaps we could all look forward to holding some meetings on ZOOM in the coming weeks. You can download the ZOOM app to your computer and/or mobile device at www.zoom.us. Our PE Darcy uses ZOOM in her business, and perhaps others of you do as well. Please let me know when you are ZOOM ready.

To get you in a Rotary mood, I'd like to introduce you to a wonderful small foundation that is doing great things in Nepal. Maggie Doyne is the founder and CEO of Blink Now, and her story is truly wonderful. Please watch this short video <https://www.facebook.com/dailygoalcast/videos/309938133162747/?t=0>.

I'm sure you'll want to know more, so please see Blink Now's web site at <https://blinknow.org/>.

Yours in Rotary Service, James

THE FOUR WAY TEST
Of the things we think, say or do -
FIRST - Is it the TRUTH?
SECOND - Is it FAIR to all concerned?
THIRD - Will it build GOODWILL and better friendships?
FOURTH - Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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