



Rotary Club of Coeur d'Alene



Rotary Bulletin 03/15/24

NEXT MEETING March 22, 2024

Graham Morehead - Artificial Intelligence

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Presided.....PRESIDENT DOUG RUPIPER

Invocation.....MARK OLSON

Greeter.....CANDACE GODWIN

Sergeant at Arms.....REBECCA EYMAN

GUESTS

Steve Buckner, guest of Linda Coppess

Brenda Dabovich, guest of Rebecca Eyman

Steve Morgan, guest of Lindsey Morgan

POTENTIAL NEW MEMBERS

The Membership Committee met and has advanced two new applicants for membership review. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Ann Thomas, Membership Chair at AThomas@mountainwestbank.com.

Kristi Rietze, sponsored by RICK RASMUSSEN

Jeff Ottmar, sponsored by LINDA COPPESS

DISTRICT CONFERENCE-CLUB FUNDING

If you are interested in attending the May 3-5, 2024 Rotary District Conference at the Coeur d'Alene Resort, if you sign up by March 31, you may be eligible for financial support from the club to assist with the registration cost. Contact STEVE ROBERGE at 208-755-3493 to learn more.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

KIKI MILLER announced a reminder and for members' safety to please be familiar with emergency exits in places that you frequent often.

HAPPY DOLLARS

GREG HELBLING gave \$1 to tease CHRIS CHEELEY about a water bottle that he had placed on the table.

LORA WHALEN announced the CDA Symphony's performance on Saturday and the highlight being the youth artists competition winners featuring high school and college-aged talent from across the country.

LARRY GILL gave \$2 as a congratulations to JULIE AMADOR for her two sons being featured on the cover of the North Idaho Family Life magazine.

LES ATCHLEY gave \$20 to announce JANET'S full shoulder replacement and surprise with her great healing (although she is not a very good patient!).

Speakers

Club Leaders



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Club Director
Assistant Governor

BIRTHDAYS

03/18 Jordy Power and Skip Priest

PROGRAM

JIM COLEMAN introduced Glenn Miles with Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization (KMPO). Miles has been Executive Director of KMPO since March 2023, and serves on the Coeur d'Alene Regional Chamber's Public Policy committee. He is native to the Inland Northwest as his family homesteaded land in the region.

KMPO was established in 1979 by local, city, and county jurisdictions to deal with master planning and moving traffic in and through the geographic areas. According to the federal government, since the 1962 Federal-aid Highway Act, federal authorizing legislation for expenditure of surface transportation funds has required metropolitan area transportation plans and programs to be developed through a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive (3-C) planning process. KMPO is the organization in charge of that and has been addressing traffic issues for over 20 years. Essentially, Kootenai County as a metropolitan area is operating on a legacy transportation system that is too old for the current transportation needs of the region.

Within the Kootenai County metropolitan area, transportation plays a large role in the development of the area. Next to real time data is collected in 93 intersections across the county. Highway 95 at peak times is the worst in the area and Seltice and Kathleen are the worst for east/west travel. I-90 will always be a challenge.

KMPO is currently underway on a 2024-2030 Transportation Improvement Program that will cover six years of state, local, federally funded projects. KMPO is to be very competitive with federal grant applications or our region cannot afford the projects alone.

For more information, see the presentation [here](#).

COEUR D'ALENE IRISH THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who helped with Coeur d'Alene Irish. A special thanks to our sponsors as we cannot host this event without you!

Shamrock \$5000

Northwest Specialty Hospital

Inland Northwest Spine

Leprechaun \$2500

Stifel

Atchley Financial

Whiskey Bar

Young Construction

Entertainment

North River Development

Photo Booth

Tom and Sue Thilo

Friends \$1000

Bob Burton/Jodi Azevedo

Schreiber Properties

Moses Estate Planning

North Idaho Investment Group of Wells Fargo Advisors

Raymond James

All Things Irish

Leadership Classic

Limerick \$500

Century 21

Dan and Ashley Lenz

Mountain West Bank

Coyle and Eyman

Kootenai Health

MARCH and APRIL PROGRAMS

3/29 State Superintendent - Debbie Critchfield

4/05 Idaho Secretary of State - Phil McGrane

4/12 U of I research results on wake effect on shorelines- Professor Frank Wilhelm

4/19 Special Olympics Idaho - Jake Kerr Olympian/Devin Riley Director of Development



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International Service
Chair



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Godwin
iPast President

4/26 KTEC/NICWF Training - Colby Mattila and Bill White

In Service,

BRITT TOWERY

