



Rotary Bulletin 05/17/24

NEXT MEETING May 24, 2024

Memorial Program- Gold Star Family program/presentation

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Presided......PRESIDENT DOUG RUPIPER

Invocation......MARK OLSON

Greeter.....MARK OLSON

Sergeant at Arms.....JOHN YOUNG

GUESTS

Christi Fleischman, guest of STEVE ROBERGE

Brenda Dabovich, guest of DON DUFFY

Dick Jurvelin, guest of JIM FAUCHER

Dusti Burmeister, guest of KATIE SCHREIBER

Eric Anderson, Shelly Robson, Mahmood Sheik, guests of HEIDI ROGERS

POTENTIAL NEW MEMBER

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

• Brenda Dabovich, sponsored by DON DUFFY

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kathy Larsonâ \in TMs mother, Jean Reagan Lucy, passed away at the age on 93 on May 8, 2024. Please keep Kathy and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

STEVE CHILDERS announced our Rotary Highway Cleanup will be held on June 1 at 7:30am with the location to be determined (our old meeting spot $JB\hat{a}\in^{TM}$ s on Appleway is closed). More details to come.

RYLA: Rotary Youth Leadership Award

PRESIDENT DOUG announced our club's opportunity to send two young people to the Rotary Youth Leadership Award training this year from June 29-July 6. He sent an email with a flyer and application. Please send the application back to President Doug by next Friday, May 24. Our club has allocated \$800 towards this week-long training camp. This would cover approximately half the expense. If the remaining cost would limit the person from attending let us know, we will see what we can do. This is a great opportunity, so please think about the young people around you.

IAN HICKS gave an update on the International Committee's two-year partnership with the Rotary Club of Port Elizabeth South in South Africa. The two-year partnership provided solar lamps and battery supply systems to help bring relief to young children and caregivers during daily power outages, up to three hours at a time. Additionally, our funding helped to pay for materials and labor for installing a carport type roof between two parts of a building housing abused women and

Speakers

Club Leaders



<u>Doug Rupiper</u> President



<u>Ashley Lenz</u> President-Elect



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Chair



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<u>Larry Riley</u> Public Relations Chair Club Director



Steven Roberge Club Director Assistant Governor

cnildren. I ne root type structure allows the children to play outside in inciement weather. With a 50-1 exchange rate, our \$1,500 donation was a significant gift to help with the project.

ROTARIAN OF THE MONTH

KIM EDMONDSON announced Sarah Day (President Doug's wife) as the May Rotarian of the Month. Sarah used her stellar event planning skills to benefit Coeur d'Irish and the club with a smooth running fundraiser. Countless hours, dedication and selfless acts were gifted to the club through Sarah's work. Congratulations and many thanks, Sarah!

Ian Hicks International Video Presentation (5 minutes)

RYLA Application announcement

HAPPY DOLLARS

JACK RIGGS gave \$70 to remind people of a crucial vote on May 21.

LES ATCHLEY gave \$21 to celebrate Amy & Mike Tanneberger's 21st anniversary.

NINNETTE GOUCHER gave \$5 to celebrate her daughter taking part in the Gonzaga in FLorence law program and Ninette going to visit her daughter in Italy in June!

BIRTHDAYS

May 21 Kay Nelson

PROGRAM

HEIDI ROGERS introduced Jason Eck, Head Coach, University of Idaho Football. Coach Eck earned an undergraduate degree in Psychology and a MBA, both from the University of Wisconsin, where he played center on the football team from 1995-1998. He is married to Kimberly and together they have four sons and one daughter.

Eck's career took him to many states and football programs, but the head coaching position with the University of Idaho was a "coming home†for his family. Eck served as an assistant coach with the Vandals football program from 2004-2006, when a new coach came in and brought a new staff along with him. Today, Eck is responsible for 120 players, 15 coaches and is proud to be a part of Moscow, the state of Idaho and the fine land grant institution that is the University of Idaho.

The Vandal football team has four core values:

- 1. ACCOUNTABILITY: in class, your living space, personal and team
- 2. TOUGHNESS: Mental-How do you respond when bad things happen?
- 3. URGENCY: passion to get better on a daily basis as a person, student, athlete
- 4. GRIT: time, commitment, work that no one sees, long-term goals

The goals of the program are threefold:

- 1. Graduate with your college degree
- 2. Be a part of the team-unselfish in your role
- 3. Develop as a person, man, student, player

Since Eck and his coaching staff arrived, the average grade point average for the football team went from a 2.7 to 3.1. That's a testament to the dedication to education, along with football. Coach Eck talked about people making a difference on the Vandals team, and getting players out of their comfort zone and outside the box with relationships. One time a week there is a non-football meeting where players are mixed up and go over discussion questions to get to know players and teammates more intimately. The purpose is to connect players with others they would not naturally gravitate toward and work to get to know on their own. The result is finding commonality, understanding people's stories, forming strong bonds, showing the power of community to build a team.

Main recruiting of student athletes is from a 6 hour circle of campus including Idaho, Oregon, and Washington with secondary students from Arizona and California. The goal is to recruit younger players and develop them, not to necessarily build a team from the transfer portal prospects. Eck wholeheartedly believes that if you can get an athlete to campus and tour around Moscow, the school and athletic facilities, there is a good chance they will want to come be a part of the Vandal program. And it has proven successful to recruit â€elocal†kids that can have family and friends be involved in their journey. An added bonus is the alumni network that has come in handy for athletes post-graduation looking for employment and opportunities in home communities that are connected to the University of Idaho. The Vandals open the 2024 season with an away game at the University of Oregon at Autzen Stadium.

GO VANDALS!!!!

MAY & JUNE PROGRAMS

5/31 Grant Awards

6/7 Avista Corp - President & COO Heather Rosentrater

6/14 Brandon Woolfe, State Controller

6/21 Panhandle Health District - CHA/Chip results

6/28 Changing of the Guard

In Service,

BRITT TOWERY



Ann Thomas Club Director Membership Chair



<u>Britt Towery</u> Bulletin Editor Club Director



<u>Chris L. Cheeley</u> Sergeant-at-Arms



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Robert William Smee

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Chair



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<u>Alex Stanton</u> International Service Chair



Candace Louise Godwin iPast President