



Rotary Bulletin 04/04/25

NEXT MEETING April 11, 2025

Rosa Mettler, Canopy Village - Adverse childhood experiences

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Presided.....PRESIDENT ASHLEY LENZ

Invocation.....LORA WHALEN

Greeter.....DAVID McGLASSON

Sergeant at Arms.....NAOMI BOUTZ

GUESTS

We had the following guests:

Bill Pfinsgraff, guest of Heidi Rogers

Ashley Heasley, guest of Ann Johnson

Genevieve Edman, guest of Jim Faucher

Kelsey Piva, guest of Kiki Miller

Eric Cornett, guest of Linda Coppess

BIRTHDAYS

Monday, April 7: Clinton Washburn

Speakers

Club Leaders



Ashley Lenz President



K. John Young Club Director President-Elect



Rebecca Eyman Club Director Secretary Membership Chair



Brian C Shull Treasurer



<u>Caiti Bobbitt</u> Public Relations Chair



Mark Botterbusch Club Director



Ian Hicks
Club Director
International Service
Chair

POTENTIAL NEW MEMBERS

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

- Ashley Healey sponsored by Ann Johnson
- William Pfinnsgraf sponsored by Heidi Rogers

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Ashley announced that the April 25 meeting will be New Member information. If you are a newer member, or if it's been awhile since you have heard the new member information presentation (that's just about everyone right there - ed.) then make it a point to be there.

Meeting Notice: The International Service Committee will be meeting Friday, April 11, immediately following the regular Rotary meeting, in the Rotary room.

Lora Whalen: There will be a garbage pickup service event on Saturday, May 3. Stay tuned for details.

Ray Jensen: His health problems are continuing. Cards and letters have been and will continue to be appreciated. Address them to 6975 Davenport, Dalton Gardens, ID 83815.

Paul Anderson (on the phone):

Paul says he has really enjoyed Rotary for 50 years and it has made a big difference in his life. He expressed his personal thanks for the cards and letters that have come his way, and for the Rotary Roses that show up every Friday. He would love to stick around and see what comes next for Coeur d Alene Rotary, but he won't be able to do that. The room gave Paul a big "Hip Hip Hooray!" cheer. Not a dry eye in the house, as Paul has been diagnosed with terminal cancer. Send him your love at 6179 E. Dewey Dr. Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814.

HAPPY DOLLARS

MARK BOTTERBUSCH had a dollar to welcome his new grandbaby. He's a first-timer!

KIKI MILLER had 30 happy dollars to celebrate the 30th anniversary of meeting her husband.

LINDA COPPESS pledged 204 happy dollars to honor the 204 \$1,000 scholarships for students being awarded this year, only the fourth year of the program.

PROGRAM

MAREN MAIER introduced Darya Pilram, Executive Director of the ERC Fellowship, who spoke on the Creative Economy and local projects.

She asked us to think about what creativity really is, in a very broad sense, and how creativity affects the world around us. She asked us to imagine a world without creativity. The description was dull, boring, drab, uniform in every way. For me it brought to mind images of the old Soviet Union.

Darya noted that this past week, a number of National Institute for Humanities (NIH) grants were cancelled. This lost funding will have a variety of effects in North Idaho and Eastern Washington, her areas of focus. The Creative Economy makes up 4.3 percent of the overall US Gross National Product.

Creative projects are a strength of North Idaho and are mostly self-funded. I see that as a strength but Darya pointed out it puts North Idaho at a disadvantage relative to Eastern Washington and western Montana where state funding programs exist. ERC is working with the Idaho Legislators to try to establish similar funding programs in Idaho.

She described an example of what they are trying to accomplish: the Living Lake Project, the purpose of which is to tell the story of Coeur d'Alene (the lake, not the city) and promote the art of environmental stewardship. The project is working on funding staff right now.

ERC has a number of ways for people to get involved, including philanthropic support, volunteering specific skills, advocacy for system change and direct project support. In addition to the Living Lake Project, ERC is working on the Kellogg Revitalization Project.

Creative work is interwoven in the overall economy and the community. It is vital to a thriving and healthy community and is not something simply "nice to have."

To learn more, click here to view the slidedeck.

APRIL PROGRAMS

April 18 Aquifer Protection District [APD] - Larry Simms



<u>Kiki Miller</u> Club Director



Emily Moses Club Director



Mark Olson Club Director



Mahlon Priest Club Director



Ann Thomas Club Director Membership Chair



<u>Britt Towery</u> Bulletin Editor



Chris L. Cheeley Sergeant-at-Arms



Hank Martin Rotary Foundation Chair



Larry Gill Community Service Chair



Maren Maier Club Programs Chair



Wanda Chillingworth
Quinn
Club Programs Chair



Jennifer W Wood Webmaster



Stephen Childers Youth Protection Officer



<u>Doug Rupiper</u> iPast President

April 25 Rotary New Member Orientation for All In Service,

DAVID McGLASSON

