



# Rotary Club of Coeur d'Alene



## BULLETIN 04/10/2026

NEXT MEETING April 17, 2026

University of Idaho ROTC/Veterans Programs - Brad Martin

PLEASE RSVP FOR HEADCOUNT

Presided.....PRESIDENT JOHN YOUNG

Invocation.....MARK BOTTERBUSCH

Greeter.....MIKE ARMON

Sergeant at Arms.....NAOMI BOUTZ

### GUESTS

We had no visiting Rotarians today, and we had the following guests:

Gunnar Nickerson*	Ryan Chapman
Katie Brodie	Ryan Chapman
Miranda Hamilton	Katie Schrieber
Kimber Travis	Katie Schrieber
Jo Turner	Jim Pierce

### Speakers

### Club Leaders



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Daniel Connelly	Pattie Strub

#### POTENTIAL NEW MEMBER

The Membership Committee met and has advanced the following applicant for membership review. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Kate Monroe, Membership Chair at [kate@cwelp.com](mailto:kate@cwelp.com).

Gunnar Nickerson, sponsored by Ryan Chapman

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vanessa Moos won the member drawing, and bottle of wine, for bringing guests in March. Keep bringing guests in April!

#### SPRING FUNDRAISER!

#### Rotary Derby Dinner

April 24, 2026, 6 pm

Coeur d'Alene Resort

#### TICKETS NOW ON SALE!

Put on your best Derby hat and join us for an unforgettable evening of food, drinks, music, and high-spirited race day fun—all for a great cause!

Enjoy a lively Derby-themed dinner, sip on classic and creative cocktails, and soak up the excitement with music and plenty of race day activities and games throughout the night. Test your luck and support Rotary by entering our special trip raffle, featuring an incredible getaway you won't want to miss!

Whether you're a seasoned horse race fan or just here for the fun, this is your chance to celebrate, socialize, and give back to the community—all in one winning night.

- Festive attire encouraged
- Big fun for a big cause
- Proceeds support Rotary's local community grants and scholarships

Grab your friends, place your bets (the fun kind!), and join us for a night that's sure to be off to the races! [Buy your tickets now!](#) See what syndicate team you are on [here](#).

#### BIRTHDAYS

None this week

#### PROGRAM

Paige Olsen, Executive Director, Silver Valley Economic Development Corporation highlighted the Silver Valley's transition from economic collapse to renewed growth. View the slide deck [here](#).

#### Background

- The 1982 Bunker Hill Mine closure eliminated ~2,500 jobs, shrinking Kellogg's population and economy.
- EPA Superfund designation in 1983 launched major environmental cleanup efforts.

#### Challenges

- Kellogg has struggled with identity and stalled redevelopment, unlike neighboring Wallace's successful historic branding.



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## Progress & Growth

- Environmental cleanup has significantly improved conditions.
- Mining has modernized and remains a key economic driver, contributing nearly \$1.5 billion to Idaho's economy.

## Key Developments

- Active and expanding mines include Lucky Friday, Galena Complex, Golden Chest, Sunshine, and the restarting Bunker Hill Mine (expected 2026).

## Outlook

- New investment is creating jobs, supporting local families, and stabilizing the community.
- Despite infrastructure challenges, the region is experiencing renewed momentum and optimism.

## Bottom Line:

The Silver Valley is experiencing a strong economic comeback, driven by modern mining and sustained investment.

## APRIL and MAY PROGRAMS

4/24 Frank Wilhelm-CDA Area Lake Limnology

5/1/2026 Workforce Development Council - Wendi Secrist

5/8/2026 Student Recognition Awards

5/15/2026 Bill Reagan - CDA Resort's 40th anniversary and the new tower

5/22/2026 Memorial Day Program

5/29/2026 Grant Awards

In Service,

BRITT TOWERY

