



# Rotary

## Club of Coeur d'Alene



### Rotary Bulletin 05/30/25

NEXT MEETING June 6, 2025

Committee Chair presentations

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Presided.....PRESIDENT ASHLEY LENZ

Invocation.....SUE THILO

Greeter.....MIKE ARMON

Sergeant at Arms.....JIM PRUSSACK

#### GUESTS

Guest Host  
Claire Dunn Vanessa Moos  
Emily Forslof Linda Coppess  
Matt Klonowski\* Jim Faucher  
Cooper Bragel Lindsey Morgan  
Christina Ethridge Hank Martin  
Chuck Ethridge Hank Martin  
Shoshana Rubli Hank Martin  
Kim Gale Emily Moses

#### BIRTHDAYS

Sunday June 1: John Mayer  
Tuesday June 3: Kathy Reagan Larson

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our Club is once again volunteering to run the 4th of July parade entry check-in, and we're looking for volunteers! Having done it last year, I can promise you it's a fun and easy volunteer opportunity. (Plus, you get to see all the cool floats go by in the cool comfort of our very own Rotary tent!)

### Speakers

### Club Leaders



[Ashley Lenz](#)  
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Club Director  
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Public Relations Chair



[Mark Botterbusch](#)  
Club Director



[Ian Hicks](#)  
Club Director  
International Service  
Chair

Please sign up to volunteer using [this link](#).

ROLE: PARADE ENTRY CHECK-IN

ARRIVE: 6:30 AM

CHECK-IN LOCATION: Volunteer Station (15th and Sherman)

WORK ZONE: 15th/Sherman Grass area

DEPART: 10:00 AM

## CELEBRATION OF LIFE

In honor of our beloved club and community member, a Celebration of Life for Paul Anderson will take place at the Hagadone Event Center on July 1st, beginning at 4:30 pm.

Donations in his memory can be made to the Kootenai Health Foundation, the Coeur d'Alene Rotary Endowment Foundation, or any of Paul's favorite charities. You can read more about Paul's remarkable life of "Service Above Self" [here](#).

## PROGRAM

EMILY MOSES emceed our annual summary and celebration of the contributions that CdA Rotary has made to local and international organizations over this Rotary year. Emily kicked off by reviewing how and why we raise funds for the Club. Aside from fines, there are two major fundraising events each year. The Rose Sale in the fall, and Coeur d'Irish in March. We raised about \$80,000 this year which was distributed among the several causes and organizations below.

### Scholarships

SUE THILO announced the scholarship recipient schools. There were 20 scholarships in total; too many to read individual names. Nine went to graduating seniors at Lake City High School, six to graduating seniors at Coeur d'Alene High school, and the remaining five to students at the local colleges and universities.

### International Service Committee

IAN HICKS presented a wonderful [PowerPoint](#) detailing our involvement with four international projects. It was very thorough and I can only summarize here. In Ukraine, we partnered with Bonner's Ferry Rotary to provide warm clothing to children wracked by war.

#### Goma, Republic of Congo, Food and Medical Supplies

We participated with the Rotary Club of Global Action for Refugees and Forced Migrants, based in the Spokane area, with our contribution of \$7,000 toward a District 5080 goal of \$10,000. The Global Action club purchased supplies in Uganda and then managed to deliver them to Goma under hazardous conditions.

#### Port Elisabeth, South Africa

We partnered with the Rotary Club of Port Elisabeth, South Lanterns and a security system at the Protea Place of Safety, a children's home and both a new surface for a sport court and a remediated playground with climbing equipment at Yokhuselo Haven, a home for abused women and children.

#### Nuevo Palmar, Guatemala: Stove Project

We joined a project supported by the Local Government (particularly the Mayor of Nuevo Palmar), a local Rotary Club and local community leaders. Nuevo Palmar is a community in the department of Quetzaltenango. The project, which is ongoing, is replacing open-fire cooking with wood-fired brick cookstoves in hundreds of residences. The need is in the millions so this project could go on for a very long time. View slides [here](#).

### Skyway Elementary School

LINDSAY MORGAN explained how CdA Rotary and the EXCEL Foundation partnered to fund the planning of a completely new playground for Skyway Elementary. It will be much more than grass and will include specialized and focused play areas for different organized activities. CdA Rotary funded \$20,000 of the \$25,000 total cost of the [plan](#).

### Local Community Service Grants

EMILY MOSES ran through each of the local Community Service Grants awarded this year. Each of the persons named below were present to give their appreciation.

\$1,500 to the Museum of North Idaho, represented by BRITT THURMAN, in her role as executive director. Funds will be used for a one-week youth summer camp.



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Club Director



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[Doug Rupiper](#)  
iPast President

\$2,500 to Safe Start, represented by Liz Montgomery and Brian Washer. Funds will be used in their fight against Sudden Unexplained Infant Death Syndrome (SUIDS), specifically to purchase safe portable cribs and sleep sacks for distribution to the community,

\$3,000 to Growing the STEM, represented by Julie Morris and Whitney Dudley. Funds will be used for their "Math is Cool" Program which serves over 900 students each year.

\$5,000 to Coeur d'Alene Summer Theater, represented by Chuck Ethridge and Shoshanna Rubli. Funds will go to support their Music and Theater Training Institute (MTTI) aimed at community youth between the ages of 9 and 13.

\$5,000 to Canopy Village, represented by VANNESSA MOOS, CEO. Canopy Village is a trauma responsive safe haven for women and children. Funds will be directed to summer programs benefiting over 300 people.

#### JUNE PROGRAMS

06/13/2025 John Beutler Real Estate update  
06/20/2025 Jenny Gray - DEQ Aquifer study results  
06/27/2025 Changing of the Guard

In Service,

DAVID McGLASSON