



Week of February 11, 2018

## Rotaract Trivia Night Enjoyed!

By Claudette Mirassou McWilliams

2018-02-11



On February 2, 2018, Eugene Airport Rotary was represented by Bob Strubing, Judi Beard Strubing and David Bondurant at The University of Oregon Rotaract Club and No Lost Generation club Trivia Night Fund

Raiser! It was great to be able to walk into a Shelter Box tent and see what is sent all over the world to make a difference in people's lives. It was also heart warming to hear students speak of what a difference this scholarship is going to make. Our District Governor, Claudette McWilliams was fabulous as she inspired us to be better Rotarians! The profits from the event will be divided evenly between Shelterbox and NLG's Scholarship

## Rotary Leadership Training

By Tim Mobley

2018-02-04



Complete Rotary Leadership Training (RLI) in 2 days instead of 3! Join us for the first ever weekend RLI course. We will meet in the Eugene area on Saturday and Sunday, March 17 and 18. The exact location will be announced at a later date. The tuition is still \$130 and will cover, lunch and dinner Saturday and also lunch on Sunday. RLI will start at 8:30am on Saturday and finish at 4:00pm on Sunday.

This course will offer the same important information and skills as the three-day training plus include social time to get to

know more Rotarians better.

**What is RLI you might ask?** *The Rotary Leadership Institute is a grassroots leadership development program for Rotarians throughout the world. It is not an official program of Rotary International and is not under its control. RLI is professional development or continuing education for any district Rotarian who would like to increase their Rotary knowledge as well as leadership skills for volunteer organizations.*

**Why would I want to take an RLI course?** *An effective Rotarian is a knowledgeable and informed Rotarian. Do you understand how to use The Rotary Foundation, increase membership, design a successful project, or lead volunteers? Besides it's just more fun to know more about our great organization and be able to talk about it in an informed*

*manner.*

**Let this be your first step toward a leadership role or just becoming a better Rotarian.** To register go to March 17th on the DaCdb calendar and register or email Tim Mobley and I'll send you a personalized link. [tkmobley1415@gmail.com](mailto:tkmobley1415@gmail.com) You can also email with any questions you might have. This is not a course set up to do makeups if you missed a regular RLI session.

## Rotary Presidential Peace Conference on Environmental Sustainability and Peace

By Claudette Mirassou McWilliams

2018-01-07



**Environmental Sustainability and Peace Conference  
Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada  
February 9-11, 2018**

**Now is the time to register!  
Early bird rate extended to January 4.  
Registration closes February 4, 2018.**

Registration for the Conference, hotel, social events, and complete information at [www.environmentandpeace.com](http://www.environmentandpeace.com)

**10 Reasons to Attend!**

- 1) The ONLY peace conference focused on environmental sustainability as a critical element of peace—and a conference geared toward solutions.
- 2) Impressive speakers in 4 general sessions—details on each speaker are on the website including RI President Ian Riseley, Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair Paul Netzel, environmental scientists, Nobel Peace Fellows, business leaders, and many more.
- 3) Breakout sessions at 2 different times during the day for smaller group interaction and sharing of ideas on specific topics: The Business of Sustainability, Planting for Peace, Peacebuilding under Pressure, and so much more. Again, details on the website.
- 4) Hall of Friendship with vendors, Rotarian Action Groups, and even more opportunities to learn and meet new people.
- 5) Amazing entertainment—Squamish Nation Dancers on Friday evening, and the Langley Ukulele Ensemble on Saturday night.
- 6) Hands on environmental projects on Sunday.
- 7) Active youth participation both at the Conference and a concurrent Youth Conference.
- 8) American dollars go farther in Canada.
- 9) Beautiful Vancouver! Not to mention tourism opportunities before and after the Conference.
- 10) Social opportunities. See your old friends and make new friends throughout the day, and Friday and Saturday evening.

**There are even more reasons to attend the Environmental Sustainability and Peace Conference. Visit [www.environmentandpeace.com](http://www.environmentandpeace.com) to find your reason. Join with more than 600 other leaders to exchange ideas and take action!**

**See you in Vancouver.**

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## 7 Steps for Submitting An Outstanding Peace Fellowship Application

By Carol Fellows

2018-02-11

Posted on [February 5, 2018](#) by [Rotary International](#)



A Rotary Peace Fellow at the 2017 Convention in Atlanta.

*By Sarah Cunningham, Marketing and Recruitment Specialist at The Rotary Foundation*

Although the application window for fellowship programs is generally short, applying for a fellowship is a long-term process requiring research, planning, outreach, and perseverance. Here are seven critical application steps we've learned from 15 years reviewing and selecting finalists for the Rotary Peace Fellowship.

1. **Verify eligibility** before embarking on the application process. This might seem obvious, but every year we receive a large number of submissions from applicants who invested valuable time in completing an application, but who do not meet the minimum eligibility requirements. The Rotary Peace Fellowship application includes an eligibility quiz to simplify this step. Like many fellowship programs, we look for candidates that have strong leadership skills, a compelling personal narrative, and a commitment to the mission of our program. In addition, applicants must also be proficient in English and have the required minimum full-time relevant work experience.
2. **Develop a plan.** For any fellowship it's critical to develop a plan before you start. Be sure to read application guidelines thoroughly to understand the scope of the process and to determine the steps you'll need to complete by the application deadline. Many fellowships include a checklist – use it!
3. **Research and outreach.** Some fellowships offer one program option while others offer a menu of options. The Rotary Peace Fellowship offers six Master's programs and a certificate program. Research fellowship options fully and identify the program that best fits your qualifications and career goals. After you've done ample research, reach out to current or former fellows and ask thoughtful questions that cannot be found online.
4. **Gather all required documents.** Many fellowships require

university transcripts, a tailored resume/CV, test scores, and recommendation letters. Gathering these documents takes time. We never enjoy turning away otherwise qualified candidates because of missing documents, but a deadline is a deadline. Download the [Rotary Peace Center Application guidelines](#).

5. **Prepare for the interview.** The Rotary Peace Fellowship requires applicants to interview with a Rotary district for endorsement. Be sure to research the organization and individuals you will be interviewing with and arrive prepared with a copy of your application and supplemental materials. Prior to your interview do something you enjoy, like taking a walk in nature, singing to warm up your vocal chords, or practicing power poses. This will help you be relaxed, authentic, and allow your true personality to shine. Brush up on your interview skills by practicing with a friend or colleague. We often direct candidates to the [PCDN website](#) for interview tips.

## 7 steps for submitting an outstanding fellowship application



6. **Prepare powerful essays or a personal statement.** This is the most critical part of most fellowship applications. The best essays are intriguing, honest, specific, well organized, not

repetitive, grammatically correct, and clearly answer the questions being asked. Be sure to include an intriguing opening and end with a strong closing statement. Demonstrate why you have chosen your particular career path and how the fellowship will help you achieve your future goals.

7. **Edit, Edit, Edit!** Spend ample time reviewing your application to ensure it is free of careless mistakes. Review your essays to ensure they are consistent with information on your resume/CV. Have friends or colleagues review your application. Revisit and revise your essays several times before submitting your application.

Lastly, be persistent! Persistence is often a key to securing the fellowship you desire. In the case of the Rotary Peace Fellowship program, 30 percent of our 2018 selected fellows applied the previous year. Don't assume that if you are not selected one year, that you will not be selected the following year. However, do make improvements to your application by acquiring new leadership experiences before the next application cycle.

## Foundation Receives Highest Rating From Charity Navigator

By Charles L. Root

2018-02-04

### PERFECT 100 SCORE



For the 10th consecutive year, The Rotary Foundation has received the highest rating — four stars — from Charity Navigator, an independent evaluator of charities in the U.S.

In the most recent ratings, [the Foundation earned the maximum of 100 points](#) for demonstrating both strong financial health and

commitment to accountability and transparency.

In a letter to the Foundation, Charity Navigator notes that "only 1 percent of the charities we evaluate have received at least 10 consecutive 4-star

evaluations, indicating that The Rotary Foundation outperforms other charities in America. This exceptional designation from Charity Navigator sets The Rotary Foundation apart from its peers and demonstrates to the public its trustworthiness."

The rating reflects Charity Navigator's assessment of how the Foundation uses donations, sustains its programs and services, and practices good governance and openness.

## Rotary Zone 25 Polio Update January 2018

By Nelson R. Maler

2018-02-04

<b>Cases of Paralytic Polio – January 24, 2018</b> World Health Organization						
<b>Total Cases</b>	Year to date 2018		Total in 2017		Total in 2016	
	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV
Globally	1	0	22	91	37	5
Endemic countries	1	0	22	0	37	2
Non-endemic countries	0	0	0	91	0	3
Afghanistan	1	0	14	0	13	0
Congo	0	0	0	17	0	0
Lao PDR	0	0	0	0	0	3
Nigeria	0	0	0	0	4	1
Pakistan	0	0	8	0	20	1
Syria	0	0	0	74	0	0

Only 22 cases of Wild Polio Virus in 2017 in just Pakistan and Afghanistan. That is a 40% reduction from 2016 and zero cases in Nigeria. The Countdown to History is on track.

### Women Play Critical Role Polio Eradication



Women are critical in the drive to eradicate polio in Afghanistan. In one of the final strongholds of the polio virus, vaccination coverage is improving as female vaccinators have more access to children. Read the [Afghan Female Vaccinator](#) story.

As you know past president John Germ is Chair of the End Polio Now: Countdown to History Campaign Committee. He encourages all Districts to dedicate DDF to PolioPlus.

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### Looking for a simple fundraising idea?

As you may recall from my December Polio Update, District 5130 raised

\$147,000 for PolioPlus with their Pedal for Polio ride. District 5500 in Arizona conducts the Ride to End Polio every November. They have developed a simple way for a club or district to participate remotely. The infrastructure is already in place, including a website that you can personalize for your fundraising efforts. There is even an indoor version. Check out the attached Ride to End Polio document and find details at [Ride to End Polio](#).

### National Immunization Days

Did you know that you can participate in the vaccination of children during an NID. See the attached contact info and find out more.

[Click here to read more.](#)



## Submissions to eNews

By Mark C. Walker

2016-07-12

**Please submit photos, news, and brags to [district5110enews@gmail.com](mailto:district5110enews@gmail.com). We welcome your news and announcements.**

**eNews is produced in DACdb ezBulletin and sent to active D5110 members via PMail. Please submit your SHORT stories and great photos of Club events**

**accomplishments and service projects. Submission deadline is Thursday evening the week before publication.**



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## Norm Malmberg Honored

By Louise Vintonne McNeil

2018-02-11



The Rotary Club of Scott Valley honored Norm Malmberg with a Paul Harris Fellow, Rotary's Highest Honor. This makes Rotarian Malmberg a Paul Harris+8. Rotarian Malmberg has volunteered countless hours involving the club and District 5110 in 36 projects which amounted to \$28,363 in club contributions and totaled \$1, 397,702 in District and Rotary International contribution.

Norm joined the Rotary Club of Scott Valley in 1997 and is presently serving on the District 5110 World Community Service committee, District Simplified Grants Committee and chairs the Volunteer Service Sub-committee. Assistant Governor Joan Smith- Freeman made the presentation.

## Senior Meals

By Bruce A Parker

2018-02-11

Rotarians Judge Martin Stone, Charmane Mitchell and David Hammond served the Senior Meals to Coquilles Seniors





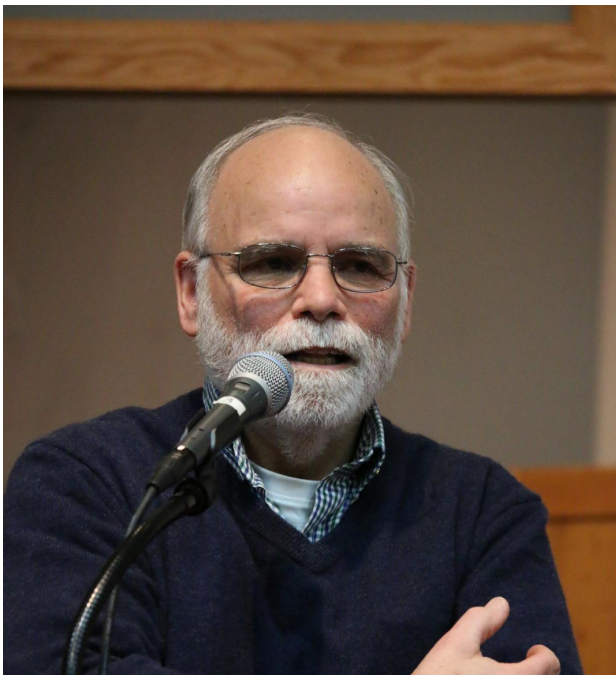
during our week of service. Coquille's Rotary club is hands on serving the needs of its community. Other Rotarians who participated this past week were Velma Fleming, Kay Heikkila, Anne Conner, Dennis Zielinski, and Bruce Parker.

## Rotary Stories Touch Hearts at The Hearth

By Janie Duewel

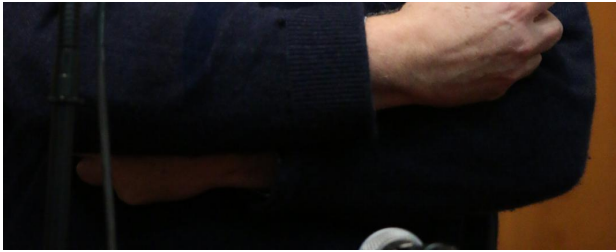
2018-02-04

There was laughter and there were tears at The Hearth storytelling event in Grants Pass on January 18<sup>th</sup>. This quarterly event has a different theme each time, but for January, Hearth Committee members decided to shine the spotlight on stories about Rotary – Service Above Self.



Past DG Chuck Root started the evening with a story called, "How I Became a Real Rotarian". He was followed by Hyla Lipson (Grants Pass Rotary) who told a story about a Peace Fellow, and Dan Converse (Greater Grants Pass Rotary) who told a story about Youth Exchange.

Later in the evening came a story by Tim Johnson (Medford Rogue Rotary) called "Change the World for \$50" about providing clean water to Guatemalans. When Margaret Bradford, the final storyteller of the evening (Rogue Gateway Rotary) told her story "Ending Polio in My



Lifetime”, there were gasps as she talked about the children of Ethiopia and her trip there to provide immunizations. And there were tears.

When storyteller Michelle Binker (Illinois Valley club) couldn't attend due to illness, emcee Steve Roe (Rogue

Gateway Rotary) decided on the spur of the moment to tell a story about The Four Way Test and what it means to him.

In addition to storytellers, each Hearth event has live music. At this event, three musicians performed: Kevin Clark and Terall Blalock (Grants Pass Rotary) and Kevin Widdison (Rogue Gateway Rotary).

While The Hearth has a loyal following (of Rotarians and non-Rotarians alike), committee members were unsure how this evening would turn out. Would non-Rotarians enjoy hearing these stories about what Rotary is and what we do? At the end of the evening, several non-Rotarians said it was the best event yet!

Founded by Mark Yaconelli, The Hearth is a model of community building based on personal storytelling, reflective listening, and community service. The Hearth develops community gatherings in which people explore, craft, and share stories from what they have lived. The Hearth is in its third year in Grants Pass.

The Hearth also raises money for non-profits. A different non-profit is selected for each event. In this case, all proceeds from the evening's \$5.00 suggested donations to enter went to The Rotary Foundation. The money was divided amongst Josephine County's four clubs, so that each club was able to make a \$150 contribution, for a total of \$600.

At the start of the evening, AG Gina Marie Agosta told the audience what The Rotary Foundation was, and how these funds are utilized.

Committee members who put on The Hearth are all Rotarians. They are Steve Roe and Janie Duetel (Rogue Gateway Rotary) and Hyla Lipson (Grants Pass Rotary). The event is held at Bethany Presbyterian Church in Grants Pass.

For more information on The Hearth, visit our website [www.thehearthgp.com](http://www.thehearthgp.com)

(More photos from the event in the link below)

[Click here to read more.](#)

# Interact Student Presentation

By Eva Ellen Germaine  
Shimotakahara

2018-02-04



North Bend High School Interact students with their advisor, Jaimee Rice did a presentation at the Coos Bay -North Bend Rotary club meeting today, January 30, 2018.

## Airport Rotary Gift of Literacy

By Judi Beard-Strubing

2018-02-04

Bethel School District's blog post about the Airport Rotary's gift of literacy event.

## Regifting The Gift Of Literacy

 Published January 30, 2018



Clear Lake kindergarten students read to volunteers from the Eugene Airport Rotary. The Rotarians donated and prepared \$2,000 worth of books for incoming kindergartners at the upcoming Kindergarten Orientation sessions throughout Bethel.

\$2,000 worth of books for incoming Bethel kindergartners are being prepared by members of the Eugene Airport Rotary.

The books will go to each kindergarten family during the upcoming [Kindergarten Orientation sessions](#) at all Bethel schools. It's a continuation of the Rotarians' Gift of Literacy Grant, which supports reading among our youngest students.

The gift of literacy was on display when kindergartners from Clear Lake Elementary read a story to the generous donors.

Thanks again to the good folks at the [Eugene Airport Rotary](#), longtime supporters of students in Bethel School District.

## Roses

By Deanna McRae Brandt

2018-01-28



The Fern Ridge Rotary Club is selling ROSES, delivery included in the Eugene/Springfield area. Please see the attached order form. (Link below)  
This is the only fund raiser the FRRC has and all proceeds benefit the scholarship fund for the Fern Ridge students.  
Thanks for Rotarian support,  
Deanna Brandt.

[Click here to read more.](#)

# Wine and Salmon Festival

By Deanna L. Rivera

2018-01-21



*Save the Date!*

**March 2, 2018**

**Doors open at 5:00pm**

**Downtown Hilton Eugene**

*Wine Tasting, Salmon Dinner,  
Silent & Oral Auction.*

**Tickets \$75 | [SouthtowneRotary.org](http://SouthtowneRotary.org)**



Link:

<http://southtownerotary.org/wine-salmon-festival/>

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## 12th Annual First Crush Wine, Beer and Gourmet Food Event Tickets are here

By Nancy Venuti

2017-12-10



Greater Grants Pass Rotary Presents  
the 12th Annual First Crush 2018!

You can experience the great Restaurants, Wineries and Breweries  
that our valley has to offer all in one place!

SATURDAY, MARCH 3rd

4:00pm - 7:00pm

Josephine County Fairgrounds

\$40 per person

Tickets will be available in January at:

[FirstCrushtickets.com](http://FirstCrushtickets.com) **Greater Grants Pass Rotarians**

Sandi's Candies 145 SW G St. Grants Pass [541-955-9112](tel:541-955-9112)

The Venuti Group 1012 NW 6th St. Grants Pass [541-660-0612](tel:541-660-0612)

Chamber of Commerce 1995 NW Vine St. Grants Pass [541-476-7717](tel:541-476-7717)

## Springfield Rotary Auction-Save the Date

By Deborah Sue Bennett

2018-01-28

# SPRINGFIELD — ROTARY — AUCTION

Doing Good in Springfield and Beyond

FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 2018

5 to 9 pm • Holiday Inn, Gateway

\$65 per person

Includes Dinner, Wine and Open Bar

CELEBRATING OVER 70 YEARS OF SERVICE



Springfield Rotary

## Pedals n Pears

By Jeanne Stallman

2018-01-07



### The Rogue Valley's premier family fun event!

*Since 1954, thousands of festival-lovers have cherished the Pear Blossom Parade and associated events.*

*The Rogue Credit Union Pear Blossom Festival is many events under one big umbrella, including the Junior and Senior Royal Courts competitions, the Smudgepot Stroll, the Pear a Fare, the Street Fair, the Run and of course the Pear Blossom Parade sponsored by Lithia Auto Stores!*

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Pedals 'n Pears Bike Rides**

The Pear Blossom Festival's Pedals 'n Pears Bike Ride is the perfect event for Families, the Weekend Warrior Rider and the Expert Rider alike.

**Pedals 'n Pears**  
**Sponsorship Opportunities**

# Sponsorship Opportunities

## **Pedals 'n Pears Bike Ride and Fundraiser - April 14**

Medford Rogue Rotary is the primary beneficiary of the third annual Pedals 'n Pears bicycle ride on Saturday, April 14, 8am. The ride is associated with Medford's 65th annual Pear Blossom Festival; Festival events make it a great weekend to visit Medford! With four different distance options ranging from four to 62 miles, the ride is perfect for everyone from families, to groups of friends, to hard-core riders. It is a fully supported with post-ride food and beverage garden in the park. Ride by yourself or get a group of Rotary friends to ride together!

Register for the ride at [www.pedalsnpears.org](http://www.pedalsnpears.org) - and find out about sponsorship opportunities too. Sponsor levels range from \$250 to \$1800, with plenty of sponsor benefits.

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## **Events**

### **February 2018**

02/12 - DIST 5110 GSE Departs for Guatemala  
02/22 - PNW PETS - EVENT PLACE HOLDER  
02/23 - CELEBRATE ROTARY'S BIRTHDAY

### **March 2018**

03/09 - Youth Exchange - Newport Weekend - Mandatory Meeting  
03/09 - Springfield Rotary AUCTION  
03/10 - 4TH Quarterly Grants Meeting  
03/10 - DRFC Meeting following Grants Meeting  
03/13 - 4 Way Test Speech Contest  
03/15 - NAYEN Conference – Omaha, Nebraska  
03/17 - Rotary Leadership Institute Weekend Course

### **May 2018**

05/01 - Dist 4250 GSE from Guatemala arrives