

Rotary



District 5110  
Central & Southern Oregon & Northern California

## 5110 In Action eNews

Volume 2, Number 37, March 9, 2021

### Governor's March Message: Protecting the Environment

By DG Cindi O'Neil



Protecting the Environment is our Rotary Foundation's seventh Area of Focus. And I think you will agree that its about time Rotary also focused on this critical aspect of our work here and around the world. Protecting the Environment will enhance our ability to prevent disease, reduce air pollution, continue to create clean water for the world, reduce hunger, and avoid international conflict. Without integrating consideration for the larger scale environment in all the projects we endeavor to complete, we will not be successful long term. And this part of our mission: to create lasting change.

Past RI President Ian Riseley in 2017: Environmental degradation and global climate change are serious threats to everyone, Riseley said. They are having a disproportionate impact on those who are most vulnerable, those to whom Rotary has the greatest responsibility.

The new Rotary focus on our environment suggests many facets of the problems with actionable targets: [Click here to go to this list and the rest of DG Cindi's message on our seventh area of focus.](#)

To join our District 5110 Committee for the Environment contact District Committee Chair Nikki Rizzardini at nrizzard@gmail.com. To learn more about the Rotary Foundation's seventh Area of Focus go to <https://www.rotary.org/en/our-causes/protecting-environment>.

---

### Interact Effort Shows Heart Toward Fire Relief

By Debbie Snow



In the summer of 2020, Oregon experienced one of the most devastating wildfires in its history. With over one million acres of land burned, these fires uprooted the lives of hundreds of Oregonians who lost their homes and belongings, and many families still have not recovered from their losses. To give back to the community, Rotary Interact District 5110 is launching a fundraiser dedicated to fire relief with a goal of **\$7,000 across all clubs**.

South Eugene High School Rotary Interact is doing its part to help those affected by the fires. Firefighters all across Oregon selflessly fought to keep the fires contained and families safe. Through the **Hearts for Heroes project**, we are creating hearts with thankful messages for fire stations in the Eugene/Springfield area, with a goal of raising **\$750** for Rotary's Fire Relief Fund. [Click here for the whole story on such a great effort!](#)

For every \$5 donated, we will create two hearts to give to local fire stations. Any and all donations accepted through April 2 are truly appreciated. To donate, go to <https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Rotary-Interact/SdcJn4B?p=yes>

---

# This is World Rotaract Week!

By Alexi Overland



This week we celebrate World Rotaract Week. Please join D5100/D5110 for a [Rotaract Virtual Game Night](#) , **this Friday at 7 p.m!**

Hopefully, everyone is familiar with the four active Rotaract clubs in District 5110: University of Oregon Rotaract, Oregon State University Rotaract, Southern Oregon University Rotaract, and NoBorders Rotaract E-Club.

[They have all been hard at work---click here to read about their successful service projects toward celebrating "their" Rotaract Week!](#)



---

## March Forum: Retaining long-term members in COVID virtual times

By Christine Waugh

Are your club's long-term members reluctant to participate in zoom meetings? Are some of them drifting away from club events and projects?

Tuesday, March 16 at 10am, the District will host the next Membership Forum focused on Retaining Long-Term Members. Attendees will learn some new concepts, and share your challenges and solutions with other clubs. We have a uniquely qualified presenter this month. **Laura Inns** comes to us from Rotary One the Chicago Club. Besides serving as Membership Chair, she is the Secretary of the Board of Directors.

[Click here for more on the Forum.](#) Here's the link for the Forum every month: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82289120983> or dial in at 1 669 900 6833. For more, email Chris Waugh ([christine@leadersupportservice.com](mailto:christine@leadersupportservice.com)).



---

## Redmond Club Project on Literacy featured in video/local TV

By Joe Kosanovic and Marv Kaplan

The Rotary Club of Redmond is proud to once again sponsor the Gift of Literacy project. The project was featured on KTVZ channel 21 in Bend. Marv Kaplan was interviewed for 20 minutes about the project. [To watch the KTVZ interview, click HERE.](#) To watch the video [by Joe Kosanovic, click here.](#)

All first grade teachers in the Redmond School District were given a set of books to read to their students. Then, each first grader selected one of the books as their favorite. Redmond Rotary provided every first grade student in the Redmond school district their selected hardback book, personalized with their name, inside a backpack. [For more on the project, click here](#) and to donate, or for more information: <http://www.redmondoregonrotary.com/>.



---

## Club Submittals of Policy Resolutions Due Next Tuesday

By Claudette McWilliams

**FINAL REMINDER:** Any club wishing to submit a resolution for possible inclusion in the District 5110 Policy Manual must submit its proposal to District Governor Cindi by March 16. Contact Resolutions Committee Chair PDG Claudette Mirassou McWilliams at 541-921-7592 or [dgclaudette1718@gmail.com](mailto:dgclaudette1718@gmail.com) with questions or requests for assistance. Any resolution to

come before the District at the District Conference must be distributed to all member clubs of the District by the District Resolution Committee at least one month prior to the District Conference. To disseminate any potential resolutions as required, the resolution committee must receive the proposed resolutions at least 45 days prior to the District Conference.



**Save the Date:** The Annual Business Meeting of D5110 will be held May 1. Resolutions that are submitted, reviewed and put forward by the District Governor will be voted upon.

#### IMPORTANT DATES

March 16: Proposed resolutions submitted to District Governor

March 21 Proposed resolutions to Resolutions Committee

March 31 Proposed resolutions to club presidents and past and future district governors

---

## Call for District Award Nominations

By Charles J. Polk



District Awards 2020-21

District 5110 has a long history of outstanding leadership and volunteer commitment at the international, zone, district, and club levels. Each year, we have an opportunity to recognize individuals and clubs that distinguish themselves through their exemplary acts of Service Above Self. We do that at our annual District Celebration, which will take place this year in Bend on August 27-28, 2021.

In order to ensure that every deserving Rotarian's contributions are considered, DG Cindi O'Neil would like your help in identifying potential nominees for several awards. **Nominations must be presented to Awards Committee Chair District Treasurer (DT) Jim Polk or District Secretary (DS) Beth Sheehan by April 30.**

[Click here for full details on ALL categories of District and Club award and the nomination process.](#)

---

## New District 5110 Assistant Governors Appointments

By DGE Gerry Kosanovic



A key leadership position in Rotary is the Assistant Governor. The 15 District 5110 Assistant Governors serve as a valuable resource, advisor and communicator to Rotary clubs, assisting club presidents and members' efforts in achieving club goals while fostering a sense of camaraderie, inspiration, enthusiasm and mutual support.

The position is a major link between the District Governor and Rotary clubs in each Assistant Governor area. Each Assistant Governor supports and works with four or five Rotary clubs in their respective area. I am therefore honored to introduce four new District 5110 Assistant Governors:

- Juli Di Chiro -- Greater Jackson County Area (replacing Pamela Norton)
- Jane Falls ♦ Greater South Willamette Area (replacing Aimee Walsh)
- W. John Moore ♦ Northern Coast Area (replacing Crystal Farnsworth)
- Regan Tucker ♦ Umpqua Area (replacing Jerry Cochran)

On behalf of the DG Leadership team, I want to express our appreciation to all of the 5110 Assistant Governors for stepping up to the plate to serve clubs and members. I also extend our gratitude to Aimee Walsh, Pamela Norton, Crystal Farnsworth, and Jerry Cochran for their years of AG service. [Click here for the entire story.](#)

---

## Assorted Levity for Your Rotary Week/Life

By Mike Corwin

While the doctor might not prescribe it, the ability to find humor in our situation is key for maintaining of sanity, patience, and peace of mind.---SMILE!

# FAVORITE FIVE FRIDAY MY FAVORITE FIVE QUOTES

1. "Reading is sexy."
2. "Motivation is when your dreams put on work clothes." --Ben Franklin
3. "The mind is like an umbrella. It functions best when open." --Max Gropius
4. "The harder I work, the luckier I become."
5. "Success is not the result of spontaneous combustion. You must set yourself on fire." --Reggie Leach

More Fun Only On [www.FunnyLoves.com](http://www.FunnyLoves.com)

---

