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Virtual Club Training Assembly Sign-ups Start Next Tuesday

By Paul Nicholson



Here's your annual opportunity to learn how to become a better Rotarian! Sign-ups start next Tuesday for the Club Training Assembly slated for Saturday, May 15.

2021 CLUB TRAINING ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 5110

Apply for grants? Discover new projects? Find out about best practice for club secretaries, treasurers, TRF Chairs, Membership Chairs? Learn to better use social media? Talk with your fellow Rotarians across our district? You can do all that, and more, at our 2021 Virtual Club Training Assembly coordinated by District 5110 Trainer Paul Nicholson and his talented team of presenters!

[Click here to go to the 5110 website and a Save The Date flyer for the Club Training Assembly on May 15.](#) Again, registration opens April 6. Mark your calendar now - you won't want to miss this!

Bend Rotary Makes Local News With Member Growth

By Mike Corwin



The Rotary Club of Bend has grown its membership by four community-minded leaders recently and continues to welcome central Oregon citizenry interested in service locally and globally under the current club Presidency of Mid-Oregon Credit Union's **Bill Anderson**. Club Director and Communications Coordinator **Julie Brown** did a release on the growth that gained them well-deserved coverage by the local Cascade Business News and on the website of KTVZ-TV of Bend.

At a time when club numbers are down, greatly due to these COVID times, the additions were more than welcomed by the District. Since 1947, The Rotary Club of Bend has been a leading service club in Central Oregon. If interested in learning more about their club, visit them at bendrotary.org and even attend a meeting as they remain on Zoom with so many other clubs well into 2021.



Rogue Valley Rotaries Key to Blood Drive Success

By Kingsley Kelley

So you find yourself in the midst of a pandemic, in a region recovering from devastation fires, and still conducting meetings on Zoom, what do you do? Well, if you're a Rogue Rotarian (as in Medford Rogue Rotary Club) you begin holding quarterly blood drives to help meet the unprecedented need!



Partnering with the Red Cross, these Rotarians are finding safe ways to contribute, but still remain socially distanced, and protecting members and volunteers. At our third quarterly event, on March 10th, we had 36 units donated from 32 Rotarians and friends. And best of all, this Blood Drive included people representing many different Rotary Clubs here in Jackson County: Medford, Ashland, Rogue Valley After Five, Upper Rogue, Ashland Lithia Springs, and Central Point. [Click here for more photos of the successful effort.](#)

Global Grant Scholars Making an Impact

By Tommi Drake

One of The Rotary Foundation programs that is popular in our district is called Global Grant Scholars. It replaced the Ambassadorial Scholarship program about eight years ago. This year's recipient for District 5110, **Najibullah Loodin**, and next year's scholar are part of the Water Cooperation and Diplomacy program, which is focused on increasing cooperation between potentially volatile countries in the Aral Sea region of Central Asia.



The program consists of studying with cohorts at three universities. In normal times, the scholar's study at UPeace in Costa Rica, then move to IHE Delft Institute for Water Education in the Netherlands with studies the last semester at OSU in Oregon. Due to the Corona virus the cohorts had to stay in the Netherlands to finish their studies. [Click here to go to the full story on the District 5110 website.](#)

Call for District Award Nominations by April 30

By Charles J. Polk



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 the numerous awards and the nomination process for each.](#) Thank you for helping DG Cindi recognize our valuable 5110 volunteers.



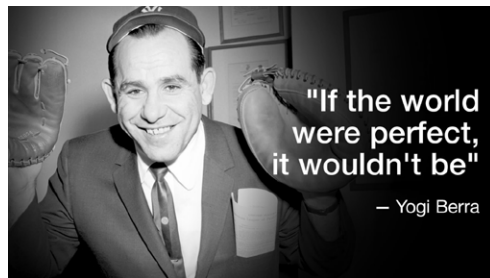
Assorted Levity for Your Rotary Week/Life --

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! With the opening of Major League Baseball season this week,

it's only appropriate that we use the gems of the sport's top philosopher, Yogi Berra.....here are your top 10 "Yogi-isms" for the week:

10. "It's like deja vu all over again."
9. "You better cut the pizza in four pieces. I'm not hungry enough to eat six."
8. "The future ain't what it used to be."
7. "We made too many wrong mistakes."
6. "Nobody goes there anymore. It's too crowded."
5. "You can observe a lot just by watching."
4. "When you come to a fork in the road, take it."
3. "Baseball is 90 percent mental. The other half is physical."
2. "You should always go to other people's funerals; otherwise, they won't come to yours."
1. "It ain't over 'til it's over."



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