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August 5110 Meeting Reluctantly Cancelled; Thank You's From Cindi!

By PDG Cindi O'Neil

Knowing that as Rotarians you have been watching the new surge in COVID - 19 cases throughout Oregon, I know you are not surprised that we are cancelling the District Celebration for the year 2020-21. I do not do this lightly knowing first hand all the commitments and hard work the conference team and speakers have put into this effort. We have accomplished so much this past year and we have much to celebrate, but to do so in-person risks the health and well-being of our members, our communities and our front line health care workers. We had hoped that the surge would diminish as fast as it rose, but this is not likely to happen in the next ten days. [Click here to find this PDG Cindi message at the 5110 website.](#)



Many dedicated Rotarians have contributed to the planning for the conference. I would especially like to thank Conference Chair PDG Jim Lussier, AG Gwen DeBernardi, Marv Kaplan, Judy Corwin, Mike Corwin, Julie Brown, Dan Smith, Beth Sheehan, Bill Anderson, Holly Molloy, Jennifer Stephens, Tim & LeAnn Mobley, and Rob Fincham for the multitude of tasks that have been completed.

If you registered for the TRF dinner and paid \$26.50 we invite you to consider making this one of your donations to the Annual Fund. Your contribution would be then credited to your Paul Harris. If you wish to receive a refund please contact Governor Gerry Kosanovic.

In Service to Others in Need,

Cindi O'Neil

District Governor 2020-21

Rotary International District 5110

Vaccines and the 4-Way Test

By DG Gerry Kosanovic

Recall it was over a month ago, on July 1st that Governor Brown officially reopened Oregon for business and pleasure after more than 15 months of strict rules to limit the spread of COVID-19. About the same time, President Biden celebrated the emergence from darkness of a year of pandemic and isolation, a year of pain, fear, and heartbreaking loss.

Regrettably, we may have been done with the virus at that moment, but the virus was certainly not done with us. The rampant emergence of the delta variant has torpedoed our



ability to return to the normal routine living.

For the past two years, formal club visits by the District Governor have been largely digital Zoom experiences because of the COVID pandemic. Last month I created a draft District Governor club visitation plan based on data received from club Presidents and Assistant Governors. The in-person schedule was established but never implemented because of the dangerous rise of the delta COVID-19 virus. Thus, at this time, I will continue to maintain a wait-and-see status regarding personal club visitations in District 5110.

[Click here to read DG Gerry's message in its entirety.](#) The delta variant is more transmissible and highly contagious. Because vaccinated people can easily transmit it, scientists estimate that the threshold for herd immunity now requires an 85% vaccination rate.

My personal request, then, to all Rotarians ♦ get vaccinated. Protect yourself and others. We know that vaccines are one of the safest and most effective ways to protect people from life-threatening and preventable diseases. Case in point is the polio vaccine. Rotary has advocated, distributed, and administered vaccines to help reduce polio cases by 99.9% worldwide. Vaccines work. Rotary and its partners at the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) have also supported COVID vaccine introduction and delivery.



To those who are unvaccinated, I would recommend two things: First, talk to your primary care physician or trusted health care professional--heed their advice. Second, follow the Rotary 4-Way Test, especially the fourth question, ♦Will it be beneficial for all concerned♦ if I obtain the COVID vaccine?

I remain hopeful that Rotarians will step up to the plate to protect themselves and others with available vaccines. Rotarians are known to lead by example. It is certainly beneficial to all concerned when we provide service to our communities and once again enjoy in-person meeting fellowship district-wide. I look forward to it.

Make a Difference for 5110....and a Better You!

By Bill Grile

Why would a Rotarian want to be a District Governor? [Click here to take just 16 seconds and listen to what PDG Jim Lussier says about the experience at https://youtu.be/wKlyJoL7i9U](#)

Less than 30 days left to file for District Governor! September 15 is the deadline for Clubs to submit the names of candidates seeking to be selected DG for 2024-2025.

Club Presidents have instructions about how to formally file candidates with the D5110 Nomination Committee.



Contact Committee Chair PDG Bill Grile at dgbill1819@gmail.com if you have questions.

Biz Network Spotlight: Steve Roe and Roe Motors

By Bill Grile

Steve Roe is all about his business and his Rotary Club of Rogue Gateway! His commitment to service and community trace to teenage years when he earned the rank of Eagle Scout.

This week we salute Rotarian Steve Roe and Roe Motors, a family-owned Buick and GMC dealership in Grants Pass since 1983. Steve serves as Roe Motors's general manager and also as President of Rogue Gateway Rotary Club. Steve manifests that commitment today thru Rotary as a Major Donor of The Rotary Foundation and respected community leader of a company that generously supports community projects. "We love Grants Pass!" proclaims the Roe Motors web site.



Check out [Roe Motors on the Rotary Business Network](#): Every D5110 Rotarian with a business or profession is entitled to a listing in the Rotary Business Network directory. If your business is not listed, [click here and add it!](#)

Visit the Rotary Business Directory at <https://rotarybusinessnetwork.org/> or email team@rotarybusinessnetwork.org if you have questions.

Gold Beach Rotary Provides Biking Ocean and River Views

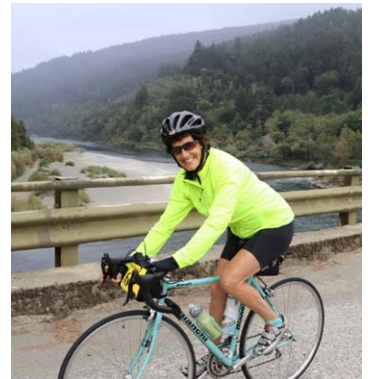
By Jeremy Skinner

The Gold Beach Rotary Club is starting the second decade of their fundraiser enabling the public to bike with ocean and river views all for a great cause!

Bike The Rogue will be held Saturday, September 11 with 23 and 38-mile ride options with low registration costs of \$30 and \$40 respectively.

Both rides start and finish at Buffington Park in Gold Beach. A pre-ride continental breakfast is provided with well stocked rest stations every 7-10 miles along the route and a mechanic will be on the route to handle equipment problems you may encounter.

To register, download the [application and waiver forms](#), complete, sign, and mail to the event along with payment for the desired ride. You may also register at the event.



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!

◆ A few harmless flakes working together can unleash an avalanche of destruction. ◆ ◆ **Justin Sewell**

◆ Life is not about how fast you run, or how high you climb, but how well you bounce. ◆ ◆ **Unknown**

◆ Life is too short to be serious all the time. So, if you can't laugh at yourself, Call me. I'll laugh at you. ◆ ◆ **Unknown**

◆ The only place where your dreams become impossible is in your own

I have P.M.A
(Positive Mental Attitude).
I'm positive
I'm mental
and I
know I have
attitude !



thinking.◆◆ **Robert H Shuller**

◆ I am an optimist. It does not seem too much use being anything else." -
Winston Churchill

