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Club of Redmond

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FOR MEMBERS - BY MEMBERS

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



GREETINGS!!

We have **THREE** in-person activities in the works including the following:

Sat 10/24 – Wild Ride Happy Hour from 5:00-7:00pm (World Polio Day)

Thurs 11/19 – DG Cindi O'Neil visits our Club. 12 Noon meeting at Juniper GC with Lunch

Sat 12/19 – Rotary XMAS Party at Juniper GC. Stay tuned for details.

My sincerest thanks to our Club over this past month. Special shout out to our Committee Chairs and our Board of Directors for your continued service and perspective during this trying year. As President this year, I have truly valued your contributions to our continued success as THE service organization in Redmond, Oregon!!

Speaking of Leadership Positions....

Please see the article enclosed in this issue entitled "Club Leadership Takes All". Becky Lu Hummer (a distinguished Rotarian having been President of two small clubs in her tenure -AND- our fearless 4-Way Flyer Editor) describes the landscape of annual Rotary leadership cycles. As we press on through this year, we find ourselves looking to the future for when the next President will take over, when the next Committee Chair will find their "Ah Ha!" idea, and when the next Rotarian will do something to make a name for themselves and our Club. Now is the time to get serious about stepping up and filling some roles, even if it's not an immediate transition.

Of particular interest are the following opportunities:

1. President Elect (2021-2022 President)
2. President Nominee (2022-2023 President)
3. TRF (The Rotary Foundation) Chair

LET'S TALK SOME MORE at the Saturday 10/24 Wild Ride Happy Hour. This event is 5:00-7:00 pm and is also World Polio Day!!

Thank you, Redmond Rotary.

It will be great to see you all again very soon.

Next ZOOM Meetings



Rotary Zoom Business Info Meeting

Thursday - October 22 @ 12:00 Noon

Guest Speaker: Kale Donnelly

Oregon Employment Workforce Analyst

We look forward to your Internet participation

Wildfire Fundraising Club Total

Club members generated more than \$5,000 toward disaster relief for regional wildfire victims as part of District 5110's efforts to help those in need. Treasurer Marv reports \$5,215 will be sent to the Eugene club this week, which includes the \$1,000 match from Mid Oregon Credit Union.



While costs to those who lost homes or personal property reach into the millions of dollars and recovery will take decades in many cases, all funds raised through the coordinated efforts led by the Eugene club are vital to address immediate needs for food, clothing and shelter.

Thanks to our generous club members who contributed money to the designated fund, as well as to those of you who donated directly to help affected families with gift cards, supplies and other supportive actions. What a generous bunch!

Information provided by Oregon Office of Emergency Management, as of Monday - 10/12/2020

Wildfire Deaths: 9 - Missing persons: 1

Sheltered persons: 2,031 - Acres burned: 1.2 Million

Private residences destroyed: 3,992

Other structures destroyed: More than 1,400

World Polio Day Reflections

October 24th each year is set aside by Rotary International to focus the globe one day on one goal: End Polio Now. Formal efforts by Rotary go back more than 35 years to spread the vaccine worldwide, and RI's investment, much of it donated by individual members at the club level, is well over a billion dollars to date. This doesn't include investments from critical partners like the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation or World Health Organization (WHO).



The October 2020 issue of The Rotarian magazine includes a conversation of sorts by leaders from the Gates Foundation, WHO, UNICEF and US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Their shared perspectives describe the important role Rotary plays today in helping inform and provide on-the-ground help in the coronavirus pandemic response as a result of lessons learned and partnerships made related to the polio eradication effort.

Rather than reinventing a wheel, it seems Rotary's investment in tackling issues encountered on those frontlines has created not only a template for success in addressing the current pandemic, but has provided on-the-ground health workers trained to quickly adapt to the COVID protocols.

Now that other partners are able to step in on the pandemic effort, Rotary is eager to focus once again on wiping out the wild poliovirus for good. That requires constant surveillance and capacity to rapidly address flare-ups around the world.

Click [here](#) to view a brief YouTube video to learn about the critical role Rotary continues to play in doing just that. Entitled "Sticking to Zero", a link to this video can be found by doing a search in YouTube or through the RI site under "World Polio Day".

Click on these other links of interest:

[EndPolio.org](https://endpolio.org)

[Global Polio Eradication Initiative](#)

[Rotary Timeline of Polio Efforts](#)

Jed Keener 4x4

As a graduate of Redmond High's class of 2007, Dr. Jed Keener, DDS, is one of the younger members of the club. That doesn't mean his life so far lacks in material for this 4x4. It does mean catching up with Jed, who bought his dad's dental practice a little over a year ago, is a bit more challenging than it is with club members already retired. Jed managed to squeeze in a little time over lunch to share some of his background.



After graduating high school, Jed went to Gonzaga University, where he earned a degree in Biochemistry with a minor in History. But before settling on becoming a dentist, Jed did some work for Halliburton that took him around the United States, including a year in Wyoming, working in the oil industry. According to Jed, it was a random sort of opportunity that led him into the petroleum engineering world for 2 ½ years. By then, Jed was ready to pursue a career in dentistry, so he came home and spent a year coaching football and basketball while preparing for the dental school entrance exam.

He gained his dentist credentials in Omaha, Nebraska at Creighton University in 2018. During that time, he met and married Mary Kate, also studying to be a dentist, and they moved to Redmond after his graduation. For Jed, dentistry is a family affair. His dad, Dr. Mark Keener DMD, still sees patients occasionally, while Jed's wife, Mary Kate, practices at a Bend office. One of Jed's favorite aspects of following in his dad's footsteps is the opportunity to see longtime Redmond residents who have been patients for many years, many of them who remember Jed as he was growing up.

Dr. Keener also followed his dad into Redmond Rotary membership after being approached by members Andrew Fitch and Michael Bishop a couple of years ago. He was looking for a way to get more involved with the community, and Rotary offered that. While his dad is no longer with the club, Jed has been a member since January 2019. Right now, Jed's household includes Mary Kate and their 2-year-old golden retriever named Marv. They travel frequently to Chicago to visit his wife's family. Jed's mom teaches special ed at Ridgeview High School and his grandmother lives in Bend, so other than a younger sister located in Nashville, he enjoys having family located nearby.

Like so many members, Jed looks forward to moving past the current COVID-related..... (see next page)

constraints so he can reconnect with the club while doing the good work of Rotary. Till then, he's busy running Keener Dentistry in his hometown, which according to the business's website, refers to Redmond as "magnificent". Seems like an apt descriptor, as well, for Dr. Keener's return home and taking over at the helm of the family practice.

Doesn't that just make you want to smile?? 😊

WILD RIDE SOCIAL HONORS WORLD POLIO DAY



Join Redmond Rotarians at the brewery on Saturday, October 24th from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

for beer, pizza and recognition of Rotary's efforts to eradicate polio. Club members and guests will receive two free beer tickets and complimentary pizza while catching up on the latest news. Find out what's been going on with individual members as well any scoop on the battle to rid the globe of wild polio virus. It's definitely a [Rotary] thing. *See you there!*

Editor's Note: Club Leadership Takes All

By: Becky Lu Hummer



You know the drill. We all know the drill. Each year, every Rotary club, every district, and every zone go through a sea change in leadership that would seem almost impossible to most organizations. After all, continuity has its advantages, and it takes time for each member in a new

role to settle in and have confidence needed to be effective.

Recruiting members willing to serve in key roles like president can be a challenge, even in the most active and dedicated clubs. For many, it may feel like individual leaders are just getting the hang of a role when the Rotary year is up, and it's time to transition again.

While there's sound strategy for annual cycling of elected leaders - and plenty of support and training provided by Rotary for each incoming president, committee chair or other leadership role - recruitment for keeping the leadership pipeline filled requires constant attention. There are many reasons why clubs sometimes find themselves with a vacancy. It is the rare club or district that has such depth "on the bench" that getting all positions filled and ready for the next transition is a breeze. Too often, it takes

concerted focus by the current leadership team to identify and convince a member to serve, and the shorter the notice, the harder it is.

Having served as president of two small Rotary clubs, I experienced both ends of that spectrum. The difference between the two, in my opinion, boiled down to a difference in how individual club members viewed their roles in identifying and supporting the club's bench strength for leadership roles. In the first club, there was shared commitment for all members to serve as leaders, so it was pretty easy to figure out timing on who would serve in a given year. In the second club, few individuals held any desire or ownership for serving...ever...in a leadership position. That meant the burden for finding someone willing to serve fell to whoever was serving as current president. That club is no longer chartered, after the last president who had served for 3 years running couldn't find anyone willing to step up in the president, president elect or president nominee roles.

I'm still new to the Redmond club. We're coming off a strong year that included a stunning event when the pandemic struck which fundamentally affected many members through business interruptions, health scares and isolation from normal club activities. We're rebounding quickly in several areas, thanks to President Keever's leadership and a membership eager to engage in important ways like generous donations and specific lead duties.

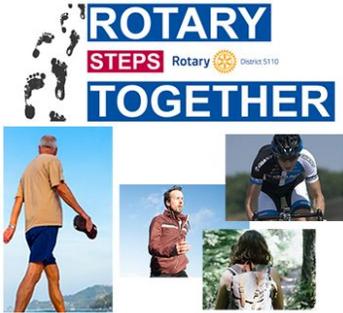
But we have some leadership openings that need to be addressed, and President Keever can't be expected to refill our pipeline without the club's commitment to finding members willing to serve in key positions. Maybe you've served before, maybe you think someone else should gain the experience. Maybe you have interest in serving, but are concerned about being effective in this environment.

In my experience, both stints I served took effort, but that investment paid off beyond measure for me. President-Elect training (PETS) was by far one of the most rewarding experiences of my career, and our district participates in one of the best among them. My network of Rotarians expanded tenfold, which increased my ability to perform my role. My exposure to world class motivational speakers and firsthand accounts of personal transformations brought about by various Rotary programs still helps feed my inspiration to do good in the world locally and beyond. The quality of folks drawn to do the work of Rotary continues to amaze me.

I encourage every club member to assess your capacity for leading the club. Maybe it's not the right time for you to serve as president-elect, but there are other openings for club service. Find one! (continued next page)

Let's share the commitment to our club for making sure each leadership role is filled and supported, regardless of circumstances. If you're into doing service through Rotary, I'm confident you'll find it worth the investment.

Rotary Steps Together Update



How many? How far? How much? Click [here](#) for the latest totals on District 5110's progress toward raising money while incentivizing us to shed a few pandemic pounds. It's not too late to register, as members have until November 15th to participate.

Now, get going!

Pumpkin for Pooches

According to the American Kennel Club website, dogs **love** pumpkin, and it's good for them! "What's Cooking" features this Fido-oriented recipe that is **NOT** meant for us human Rotarians. But, hey, all the ingredients are nibble-worthy, so there's no reason not to share a bonding moment by going halvesies on a biscuit with your bow-wow buddy.



Just make sure you save some for later! 🐾

3 cups whole wheat flour plus extra for dusting rolling surface

2 eggs

1 cup pumpkin puree (plain, not pie filling)

1 banana, mashed

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Mix eggs, banana and pumpkin together, then add flour and stir well. Lightly dust rolling surface with flour and roll out dough to about 1/8" thickness. Dip cookie cutters (cat-shaped cookies are popular with pups) in flour and cut out. Re-roll dough as necessary until all is used.

Place treats on un-greased baking sheet, bake for about 20 minutes. Cool before offering to your favorite pup.

Ever wonder why the Rotary year begins 1 July?

The international convention initially played a key role in determining the start date of our fiscal and administrative year.



Rotary's first fiscal year began the day after the first convention ended, on 18 August 1910. The 1911-12 fiscal year also related to the convention, beginning with the first day of the 1911 convention on 21 August.

At its August 1912 meeting, the Board of Directors ordered an audit of the International Association of Rotary Clubs' finances. The auditors recommended that the organization end its fiscal year on 30 June to give the secretary and treasurer time to prepare a financial statement for the convention and board, and determine the proper number of club delegates to the convention.

The executive committee concurred, and at its April 1913 meeting, designated 30 June as the end of the fiscal year. This also allowed for changes to the schedule for reporting club membership and payments. Even The Rotarian changed its volume numbering system to correspond to the fiscal year (beginning with vol. 5, July 1914).

Rotary continued to hold its annual conventions in July or August until 1917. Delegates to the 1916 event in Cincinnati, Ohio, USA, approved a resolution to hold future conventions in June, mainly because of the heat in cities where most of them occurred. The next one was held 17-21 June in Atlanta, Georgia.

The term "Rotary Year" has been used to signify Rotary's annual administrative period since at least 1913. An article in The Rotarian that July noted, "The Rotary year that is rapidly drawing to a close has been signaled by several highly successful joint meetings of Clubs that are so situated as to assemble together easily and conveniently."

Since the executive committee's decision in 1913, the end of the Rotary year has remained 30 June

**SUCCESS IS NOT FINAL;
FAILURE IS NOT FATAL:
IT IS THE COURAGE TO CONTINUE
THAT COUNTS.**

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