



IT'S BEEN A GREAT RIDE



"I am so proud of our club"

I would like to thank you all for trusting me to be your President for this Rotary year. Thank you all for stepping up with your unselfish participation and involvement in all the events that makes our club what it is while giving back to our wonderful community.

I would like to thank Louise for all her support for the last year and being my quiet advisor. Most of all, THANK YOU for being true Rotarians and living the 4-way test. When you look around the club, we are all really very nice people and a pleasure to be around. No Drama. No pounding of chests. It's all about our club. The year has been filled with a lot of wonderful memories, great events, many successes, and achieved milestones combined with a few months of challenges with our unwelcome guest, Covid-19. Our club marches to the beat of Gloria Gaynor's hit 1978 single, "We Will Survive".

Keeping our connection with each other which created a strong bond for the club was helped by way of the Zoom meetings and our newsletter, the 4-way Flyer. The year ended with a most welcome party at Juniper Golf Club with 46 people in attendance. Good company, good food, a night filled with awards and accolades and just a wonderful fun-filled evening. One of the many highlights for me that evening was when one of our members, Paul Spain, who transferred from a club in the valley said, "You know, I looked at a number of clubs in the area before I joined, and I am so glad I picked our club." I would like all of you to think about that and remember that our club...IS **YOU**.

We have new leadership as we begin another Rotary year. I know and trust you all will support Keever Henry and his team as you have supported me. Please remember that participation is what makes this club rise above.



President Marv signing off.....

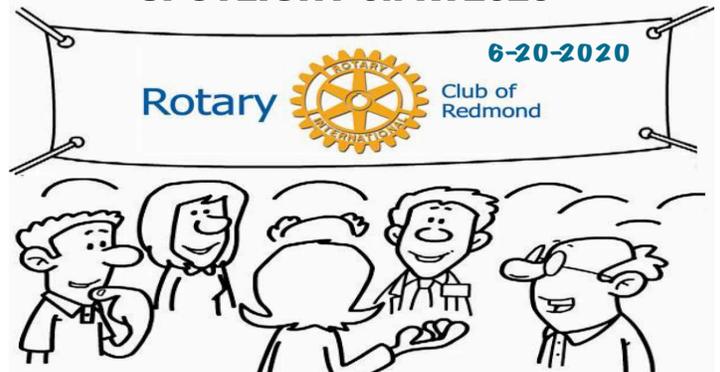
Next ZOOM Meeting + Speaker

Topic: Rotary Zoom Meeting

Time: Thursday, June 25, 2020 12:00 PM

Special Guest Speaker is Dr. Mark Backus, Internist.

SPOTLIGHT on RY2020



It was a list of Redmond Rotary's Who's Who when almost four dozen members gathered at Juniper Golf Course last Saturday to honor the past year's achievements.

President Marv led off the plaques brigade by recognizing Joe Kosanovic's Paul Harris Fellowship honor awarded virtually last month. Next came thanks to board members who helped guide the club throughout the year, including recognition to Jerry Wheeler and Lonn Johnston for their board service. Jerry and Lonn will continue to serve on the new board, along with Ryan McNulty, President Elect Branegan Dixon, Secretary Trish Pinkerton, Marv as Past President and the two newest elected members Tiffany Christopher and Tara Messner. Outgoing board members Michael Bishop and Andrew Fitch (not in attendance) were thanked for their service, as well.

Marv presented honors to Trish Pinkerton for her years of service as Executive Secretary to the board and expressed confidence in the club's leadership, including incoming President Keever Henry's knowledge and enthusiasm for continuing the club's successful trends.

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SPOTLIGHT on RY2020 - continued

Paul Spain received appreciation in the form of a service award for his work on the Berry Sales campaign, a critical effort this year that appears to eclipse past sales goals. President Marv thanked Tara Messner for her tremendous effort in the schools with formation of the Interact club, Literacy project and student exchange by presenting her the Rising Star Award, noting the inroads she gained this year will pay off next school year. Service awards were presented



to Joe Kosanovic and Becky Lu Hummer for their roles in creating and producing the club's newsletter, the 4-Way Flyer.

President Marv acknowledged Tiffany Christopher in absentia for her Spirit of Service Award, well earned by her efforts on the Deschutes Fair 2019 fundraiser, New Year's Eve event, and Cowboy Dinner, among other things. He also gave Justin Holman an Honorable Mention shout-out for his work on the Wild Ride Metal Mulisha event, as well.

Then came his announcement that Larry Wilkins is this year's recipient of the club's **Rotarian of the Year Award**. President Marv referenced Larry as "A Rotarian Poster Child", and cited a long list of club events, activities and roles that included his ever-present support at the Deschutes County Fair, Breakfast at Brown, Teachers Appreciation, Daddy-Daughter Dance, and Adopt-a-Road work parties. All this, plus his generous monetary donations added up to the formal honor as designated. **But wait, there's more!**



As President Marv's last officiating stint was waning, he demonstrated due diligence in reporting how the club stacked up against itself or other Rotary clubs on everything from membership (the club grew a LOT) to Foundation giving.

In short, the club reached some important milestones in its history; total club donations (cumulative) to The Rotary Foundation topped \$200,000 earlier this year, and more than \$250,000 have been awarded to local high school seniors since the club's inception. Truly, the club's impacts at the local and international levels are worthy of celebration! Perhaps with a bit of well-deserved pride creeping into his voice, President Marv shared with the club one other

performance metric, the "Every Rotarian, Every Year" goal. The Redmond Club reportedly stands alone in District 5110 in meeting this one, which requires club TRF giving to reach \$100 or more per capita *and* for each dues-paying Rotarian to donate at least \$25 in a given year.

Ummmm...that seems like quite a legacy for Marv's presidency. Thanks for helping us make it a great year. (queue that Gloria Gaynor song!) 🎵

Marv handed the Presidential final bell duties to Keever Henry, who, along with his acceptance discourse, had everyone recognize their spouse with a kiss. After an emotional embrace with the new past-president, the meeting was adjourned when Keever rang the bell.



Becky Lu Hummer – 4x4

It doesn't take long for someone to pick up on a few things about Becky Lu. Some of them make perfect sense about why she's back in Redmond, and why, in some ways, she feels like she never left. Among other things... she admits it's hard being a Husker fan in Duck and Beaver country.



She openly describes herself as a redneck (by Jeff Foxworthy's definition of possessing an "inglorious lack of sophistication"). Her interests are centered around music, the outdoors, and spending quality time with family and friends. With many close friends but almost no family located in Oregon, that means she's also into travel. And dogs are the only "grands" so far, which suits her fine.

Becky Lu grew up on a remote corporation-owned ranch in western Nebraska with few humans and lots of critters as companions. The youngest of five...in fact, the two oldest (twins) are 17 years older, she sort of raised herself at times. Music, animals, athletics and nonstop reading filled her world with all kinds of adventures that included becoming a pretty good shot on the pool tables and near rattlesnake dens.

After studying music (voice) in college, she found Oregon through her first husband, who hailed from Eugene. They moved to the Redmond area in 1983. The marriage ended a few years later, but they remained friends and raised son Phil, a 2001 Redmond High grad. She worked as city administrator in Sisters and for Black Butte Ranch in the early years, then was self employed for several years as a

consultant to government, planned communities and nonprofits.

Becky Lu retired last year after 20 years of state service, most with the Department of Justice managing tech project teams in Salem. While she worked fulltime in Salem for 12 of the 16 years with DOJ, almost half of that time was spent commuting weekly from Redmond. After losing her second husband, Merrill, Becky Lu moved to Salem in 2012 just long enough to finish her career before returning to the home they built in 2000 shortly after getting married.

She loves to cook, hike, play the piano and help around the community, and is currently planning to pull her 5th wheel to Nebraska and back in a loop that will largely center on hiking in the Bighorns in Wyoming. But her first love is spending time with her son (Tech Sgt Brown, currently based at Fairchild AFB near Spokane), daughter-in-law Jenn and the granddogs....Autzen and Tacoma. Becky Lu's looking forward to adding to the pack once her backyard "dog house" project is complete.

HAYDEN BURGESS SCHOLARSHIP



Hayden Burgess of Ridgeview high school in Redmond received his scholarship in person. President Keever Henry has a special relationship with this recipient. Through the ASPIRE mentoring program through the RVHS Career Center, Keever and Hayden have gotten to know each other over the last three years including spending time volunteering with the Rotary Berry sales as well as the Deschutes County Fair. Hayden will attend OR State in Corvallis.

**WHAT COMES EASY
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What's Cooking - (It's finger licking good)

If you're hankering for some of the Colonel's coleslaw to serve at your next cookout, look no further. Thanks, Marv, for sharing the "secret" recipe!



8 cups diced cabbage (food processor shredding disc makes this easy)
1 cup carrot (also use food processor shredding disc)
2 TBLSP grated onion
1/3 cup sugar
1/2 tsp salt
1/8 tsp white pepper
1/4 cup whole milk
1/2 cup mayonnaise
1/4 cup buttermilk (can use powdered reconstituted)
2 TBLSP white vinegar
3 TBLSP lemon juice

In large bowl, combine cabbage, carrot and onion. In small second bowl, whisk remaining ingredients until combined and smooth. Toss together thoroughly and chill in refrigerator several hours (the longer the better).

Statement from Rotary International

At Rotary, we have no tolerance for racism. Promoting respect, celebrating diversity, demanding ethical leadership, and working tirelessly to advance peace are central tenets of our work. We have more work to do to create more just, open and welcoming communities for all people.



We know there are no easy fixes and that challenging conversations and work lie before all of us. Rotary's strength has long been our ability and commitment to bringing people together. We will tap into that strength now as we stand with those who are working for peace and justice. Rotary will do our part to listen, learn and take action to ensure that we continue to contribute to making positive change.

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