

Rotary



Club of Medford Rogue

March 31 Communicator

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Greeters: Lindsey Berryman

Attendance: Beth Zerkle

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Song for Today

"Smile"

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Thanks to Frank Pulver

This Week's Speaker:

Mick Zdeblick, CEO of Asante Rogue Regional.

Topic: Heimann Cancer Center

Last Week's Speaker:

March 24 :

Helen Funk, Director of Jackson County Expo/Fairgrounds

Topic: "Other Duties As Assigned" -A day in the life of a fairground's manager

Summary of last week's topic:

What does a typical day look like for Helen Funk, Director of the Jackson County Fairgrounds?

Normally you would find her scheduling events like monster trucks, fairs, rodeo's, concerts or building sponsorship programs. However, since March 2020 a typical day for Helen has looked much different.

With most events cancelled and most of her staff laid off someone had to maintain the grounds, mow the lawns and clean the bleachers, Helen learned quickly how to jump on a tractor to get the work

done. In 2020 when COVID-19 hit the fairgrounds became a distribution center for PPE, a shelter for people and livestock when the devastating wildfires came through Southern Oregon and is currently the site for a mass COVID-19 vaccination drive thru clinic. In 2021 things are starting to open back up, Helen is excited for her team and volunteers to get back together to plan events once again. Thank you Helen, your team, and volunteers for all their hard work.

March 31 Speaker:

David Doi, Exec. Dir., Rebuilding Together-Rogue Valley
Topic

*******LAST CHANCE?*******

MARCH is MARCH MATCHNESS month:

Fellow Rotarians did you know that during March for every \$100 donated to Paul Harris or Polio Plus you will receive a two for one match towards your Paul Harris. Thus, a contribution of \$100 results in 300 points towards your Paul Harris award. (According to Rotary Foundation rules to receive match points the donation must be at least \$100.)

Additionally, for every dollar donated to Polio Plus, The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation will do a two for one match. So, a \$100 donation to Polio Plus will be matched with \$200 from the Gates Foundation

Don't worry if you are not able to attend a meeting just reach out to Gene Taylor at gene.Taylor@charter.net or text 541-840-6364 and ask to be invoiced. You can pay via check or credit card. Don't miss out on MARCH MATCHNESS

Rotary Foundation's Polio Plus program, By Eric Hodnett, Co-Chair – Polio Committee

District 5110 places an emphasis on Polio during the month of February. With that in mind I thought I would share some information that from a recent issue of the Rotary Magazine.

You may wonder what your donations to the Rotary Foundation's Polio Plus program go toward. One-month last year the Rotary Foundation approved the following grants:

- 19,306 vehicles were hired for frontline workers in Afghanistan
- 90 million doses of oral vaccine
- 12,139 vaccinators were trained in Sudan
- 2,530 community health workers recruited in Pakistan

Remember, all donations to the Rotary Foundation Polio Plus account are matched 2 to 1 by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. A \$100 donation generates \$300 toward polio eradication.

Finally, it has been recognized how valuable the polio eradication infrastructure is for other medical responses. Currently this infrastructure is being used in many countries for their Covid-19 response. We should all be proud of that as well.

Please let me know if you have any questions related to Polio eradication.

Friendship Zoom Groups

The New Members Committee has created Rotary Friendship Zoom Groups (RFZGs) to enhance our social connections during the Covid restrictions. It will help us expand our Rotary friendships and be especially helpful to our newest members. Zoom Group hosts will send Zoom invitations to those who send an email of interest to join a particular host. Members are encouraged to visit any of the hosted sessions. There are no rules as to frequency, length or topics discussed. But, in general, Rotary avoids political and religious topics.

Here are our Rotary Zoom Group Hosts and their emails. Let them know if you wish to join them for a session. Emmett Armstrong, emmett@metronomeagency.com; Paul Christy, ptc97504@gmail.com; Gary Newland, gdnw@charter.net; Debbie (McHargue) Graunke, dmchargue@hotmail.com; Beth Zerkel, 1bzerk@gmail.com.

Rotary Action Group For Peace

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