



Rotary Club of Coeur d'Alene



Rotary Bulletin 08/25/23

NEXT MEETING September 1, 2023

USS Idaho Commission Foundation Chair for N. Idaho, Captain Henry Netzer

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Presided.....PRESIDENT DOUG RUPIPER

Invocation.....ANN JOHNSON

Greeter.....DEAN HAAGENSON

Sergeant at Arms.....KIM EDMONDSON

At today's Rotary meeting, we had the following guests:

Visiting rotarians

Clancy Hughes from Homer, Alaska

Melissa Drennan from Asheville, North Carolina

Guests

Don Duffy brought Brad Martin from WWAMI program

Carrie Ward brought Greta Gissel from Connect Kootenai

Joe Righello brought daughter Bella Righello

Dan Crawford brought Christina Petit from Post Falls Chamber of Commerce

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A big thanks to BRET and MICHELE DIRKS for hosting the Legacy Society Party for club members who have named the Coeur d'Alene Rotary Foundation (our club's foundation) in their estate plan.

Please keep GARY ULVAN in your thoughts and prayers as his sister Sandra Kay passed away at age

Speakers

Club Leaders



[Doug Rupiper](#)
President



[Ashley Lenz](#)
President -Elect



[Michael Nail](#)
Treasurer



[Julie Amador](#)
Club Director



[Kim Jane Edmondson](#)
Club Director

[Rebecca Eyman](#)
Secretary
Director
Membership Chair

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DAN CRAWFORD gave an update on the Medical Lake fire which is a story of shock and sadness for this small, tight knit community. The club's mission in helping is cleanup and recovery, taking debris to curbs and shovel, sweep, and trash collection. Currently there are 20 volunteers and 30-50 are needed. You can rotate on a 3-4 day basis with 3-4 hours a day or all day if you have the time. Thanks to the Kootenai County Sheriff's Office for bringing the community service trailer and paid staff to feed 80-100 volunteers a day. Contact Christina Petit at christina@postfallschamber.com to sign up to volunteer.

DISTRICT WILDFIRE ASSISTANCE

Donations to the District 5080 Charitable Fund, providing disaster relief assistance within the USA portion of the district can be made in several ways:

1. Donations can be made to the Rotary District 5080 Charitable Fund, a 501(c)3 organization, via Facebook using this link: <https://www.facebook.com/donate/1715025442280214/>

You will receive a receipt from Facebook, and you can share the fundraiser on your own Facebook page.

1. Via Venmo using this destination: @Dist5080Charitable
1. Via PayPal using this email address: 5080CharitableFund@gmail.com

A 3 percent fee charged by PayPal will reduce the amount of your donation.

1. Donations can be made by check payable to the District 5080 Charitable Fund and mailed to 3833 E. Eloika Road, Deer Park, WA 99006-9127. Please indicate "Disaster Response" in the memo line of the check.

NEW MEMBER

NAOMI BOUTZ introduced new member PAUL BEDFORD. Paul has a background in Mechanical Engineering and spent his career with GE, Honeywell and BP. Widowed since 2015, he retired in 2018 and has passive real estate ventures. Paul has two kids in Salt Lake City, has a home on Mica Bay and spends time here and in Scottsdale, AZ.

SAVE THE DATE

The Coeur d'Alene Rotary Foundation would like to invite all Coeur Club* members to a party on September 8th from 5:00-7:00 pm at the Coeur d'Alene Rotary Centennial Park on Sherman Avenue. We will have beverages, appetizers, and entertainment. [Please RSVP today.](#)

*Coeur Club members have donated a minimum of \$100 annually to the Coeur d'Alene Rotary Foundation endowment. Coeur Club members do not include your contributions to the Club's annual fundraisers (Rose Sale and Coeur d' Irish). Memorials and Happy Dollars do count toward your Coeur Club Membership.

Please email the Club's bookkeeper Kristina Lallatin at klallakh@gmail.com to confirm your membership. If you have not had a chance to donate yet this year, sign up on the RSVP link, and the Foundation will invoice you.

BIRTHDAYS

08/25 Lori Mayfield

08/28 Cara Nielsen

HAPPY DOLLARS

BOB MCFARLAND gave \$50 to celebrate 50 years since being a part of the WWAMI program for medical school.

DAN CRAWFORD gave \$38 to celebrate his 38th wedding anniversary.

JUDITH PINKERTON gave \$20 as the Pinkerton clan is so grateful to have their dad airlifted back to CDA for medical treatment.

KIM EDMONDSON gave \$20 toward her Coeur Club membership

CARLA CICERO gave to celebrate her daughter ASHLEY LENZ's birthday on September 5th as Carla



Emily Moses
Club Director
Community Service
Chair



Mark Olson
Club Director



Larry Riley
Public Relations Chair
Club Director



Ann Thomas
Club Director
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Britt Towery
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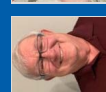
Hank Martin
Rotary Foundation
Chair



Larry Gill
Community Service
Chair



Robert William Smee
II
Community Service
Chair



Ian Hicks
International Service
Chair



Alex Stanton
International Service
Chair



Candace Louise
Godwin
iPast President



Steven Roberge
Assistant Governor



will be out of town.

KATIE HUNT gave \$10 to recognize the DIRKS and CHEELEYS for their leadership in our club and the club's Legacy Society for estate planning.

PROGRAM

Dr. TOM THILO introduced Dr. Jeff Seegmiller, Director of the Idaho WWAMI (Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana, Idaho) Program who talked about how medical education via the University of Washington influences health care in North Idaho.

Today, Idaho is facing a critical physician shortage. According to the Association of American Medical Colleges, the state ranks 49th for practicing physicians per capita. As the fastest growing state in the U.S., Idaho WWAMI is key to building the physician pipeline to ease the state's shortage of primary care physicians, particularly in rural and frontier areas.

In 2020, U.S. News & World Report ranked University of Washington School of Medicine No. 2 nationally in primary care and family medicine. For more than 25 consecutive years, University of Washington School of Medicine's rural medicine training program ranked No. 1 nationally until 2018 when this category was removed from the rankings.

Since 1972, the partnership between the University of Washington School of Medicine and the University of Idaho has provided Idahoans a way to attend one of the nation's best medical schools on the U of I campus for the cost of in-state tuition.

[Idaho WWAMI](#) is the only publicly-funded medical education program in the state. Each year, the Idaho Legislature helps support a class of 40 new WWAMI students, all of whom are from Idaho. Idaho WWAMI helps the U of I fulfill its land-grant mission through state-of-the-art medical education, research that improves patient care and educational programming that connects rural and specialist healthcare providers, such as [ECHO Idaho](#) (Extension for Community Health Outcomes) and [North Idaho AHEC](#) (Area Health Education Center).

Idaho's first and only allopathic medical school helps strengthen communities across the state by linking academic leadership and applied expertise with the goal to build Idaho's healthcare capacity and improve outcomes.

The University of Idaho is an outstanding place to study, work and conduct research. Faculty include innovative scientists and dedicated physicians whose collaborations model translational teaching by having bench and bedside experts working together. They are exemplary teachers and mentors who care about education and foster a supportive environment that helps students grow by actively participating in research and clinical experiences throughout the WWAMI region.

PROGRAMS: SEPTEMBER and OCTOBER

9/8 Jacklin Family Business Activities In North Idaho, Past and Present

9/15 MOM talks / Hospice

9/22 TBD

9/29 US Forest Service - Forest Fires

10/6 Meteorologist Kris Krocker

10/13 TBD

10/20 MOM talks

10/27 Atlas Free - Laura Equivel & Caitlin O'Brien - Human Trafficking

In Service,

BRITT TOWERY