

Rotary District 5080



PEOPLE OF ACTION

District Conference Schedule of Events!

By Steve Roberge on Thursday, February 8, 2024



Here it is, folks! A whole bunch of reasons to attend the District Conference!

DISTRICT CONFERENCE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

THURSDAY 5/2/24

GOLFING 8AM â€” 1 PM

LOCATION: CDA RESORT GOLF COURSE 900 S. FLOATING GREEN DR. CDA, ID \$165 PER PERSON. 50 SPOTS OPEN (CAN BE INCREASED 20% IF MORE ARE INTERESTED)

GOVERNORâ€™S DINNER 6 PM â€” 8:30 PM

LOCATION: CDA RESORT- KIDD ISLAND BAY/CASCO BAY ROOMS (**INVITATION ONLY**) PDG/DG LINE/AG/RI REP AND GUESTS INVITED. MAJOR SPONSORS AND GUESTS INVITED.

FRIDAY 5/3/24

PEACE CONFERENCE 7:30AM â€” 11:30 AM

LOCATION: HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION INSTITUTE (HREI)
PEACE POLE DEDICATION 11 AM â€” 11:30 AM LOCATION TBD

REGISTRATION OPENS 7 AM - 5 PM

LOCATION: HALLWAY OUTSIDE BAYS 2 -3 CDA RESORT

HOUSE OF FRIENDSHIP SET UP 10 AM (OPEN UNTIL 5:30 PM)

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LOCATION: BAY 1 CDA RESORT (15 TABLES AVAILABLE)

LUNCH (CONFERENCE OPENS) 11:45AM â€" 12:30 PM

LOCATION: BAYS 2 & 3 CDA RESORT (ALL EVENTS SAME LOCATION UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

12:30 PM â€" 1:00 PM: ANTHEMS/WELCOME/MUSIC

1:30 PM â€" 2 PM: MCINALLY OR RI VIDEO/RI REP SHORT SPEECH

1ST PLENARY: GABOR GASZTONYI--POLIO 1:30 PM â€" 2:30 PM

BREAK 2:30 PM â€" 2:45 PM (SET UP FOR PANEL)

2ND PLENARY: HOMLESSNESS PANEL 2:45 PM â€" 4 PM

BREAK 4 PM â€" 4:30 PM (SET UP FOR TRIBE)

3RD PLENARY: 4:30 PM â€" 5:30 PM CHIEF ALLAN--CDA TRIBE HISTORY/DRUMMING

5: 30 PM â€" 545 PM THANK YOU/ANNOUNCEMENTS

ATTENDEES AT CHAMBER/HOME HOSPITALITY/OTHER

6 PM â€" 8 PM CELEBRATION AT THE CHAMBER

LOCATION: CDA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 105 N. 1ST ST. CDA, ID (MAXIMUM ALLOWEDâ€"150) NO EXTRA CHARGE MUSIC/HORS Dâ€™OEUVRES/NO HOST BAR

SATURDAY 5/4

7:30 AM â€" 8:15 AM BREAKFAST

8:15 AM -8:45 AM WELCOME/ANTHEMS/REFUGEEâ€"10 MINUTES

8:45 AM â€" 9:15 AM RI REPRESENTATIVE (MAIN) SPEECH

4TH PLENARY: 9:15 AM â€" 10:15 AM DEEPA WILLINGHAM PACE UNIVERSAL

10:15 AM â€" 10:30 AM BREAK (SET UP FOR MEMORIAL)

10:30 AM -11:30 AM DISTRICT MEMORIAL CEREMONY

11:30 AM â€" 12 PM BREAK

LUNCH: (3) OPTIONSâ€"12 PM â€" 2:30 PM (CHOOSE 1):

- **BOAT RIDE MISH-AN-NOCK BOARDING AT NOON LOCATION 3RD STREET RAMP (NO EXTRA CHARGE)**
- **CDA CELLARS WINE & CHEESE PAIRING (MAX 50--\$20.00 PER PERSON) TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED TO & FROM CDA CELLARS AT 3890 N. SCHREIBER WAY CDA, ID**
- **MUDGY & MILLIE & CAROUSEL TOUR REGISTERED GUESTS AND FAMILY EVENT/NO EXTRA CHARGE**

DISTRICT BUSINESS MEETING 2:45PM â€" 3:45 PM BAY 6--VIRTUAL ACCESS FOR NON-PRESENT DISTRICT ROTARIANS TO VOTE.

MARGARITAVILLE

3:00 PM â€" 5 PM LOCATION: CDA CENTENNIAL PARK 320 E. SHERMAN AVE. CDA, ID

4 PM â€" 5 PM YOUTH EXCHANGE MEET/GREETâ€"BEAUTY BAY

MAJOR DONOR/BEQUEST SOCIETY RECEPTIONâ€"5:15 PM â€" 6 PM CDA RESORT NORTH CAPE BAY ROOM

MAIN CONFERENCE RECEPTION 5:15PM â€" 6 PM BAYS 3 & 4 CDA RESORT

5TH PLENARY: 6 PM â€" 6:45 PM GOVERNOR'S BANQUET BAYS 3 & 4 CDA

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RESORT

6:45 PM – 7 PM YOUTH EXCHANGE FLAG CEREMONY

7:00 PM – 7:30 PM: YOUTH TALENT SHOW

7:30 PM – 8 PM AWARDS CEREMONY/PASSING THE GOVERNOR’S PINS

8:00 PM – 8:40 PM ENTERTAINMENT: COURTNEY & COMPANY

8:40 PM-9:30 PM ERIC E.

9:30 PM – 9:45 PM THANK YOU/FAREWELL

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Karen Cook Selected for Service Above Self Award

By Doreen Kelsey on Thursday, February 8, 2024



The Service Above Self Award is considered the highest honor that Rotary International can bestow on a member. It recognizes up to 150 outstanding Rotarians and Rotaractors worldwide each year whose service activities make an impact on humanity.

A Rotarian for more than 35 years, Karen Cook was among the first women to join Rotary in District 5080, becoming a member of the Rotary Club of Hayden Lake in 1988. Karen has been a member of the Coeur d'Alene Sunrise Rotary Club since 2003.



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Membership Action Plan Workshop



Membership Action Plan Workshop: April 20 or May 9, 2024

Registration is now open for the next Zones 26 & 27 Membership Action Plan Virtual Workshops on Saturday, April 20th from 8:00 am to 11:30 am Pacific Time, or Thursday, May 9th from 4:00 pm to 7:30 pm Pacific Time. Attendees will review and share best practices for attracting, onboarding, engaging, and retaining members, and learn how to access their club's attrition and attraction data. This training is designed for club and district leaders, and others interested in helping to grow their club's membership, assist in setting meaningful membership goals, and developing an action plan based on actual data.

Click [here to register](#).

Empower Her ~ Celebrating Women's Achievements

By Patrick Shagalu on Friday, January 19, 2024

Date: March 9, 2024

Time: 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Location: Spokane Community College

\$25

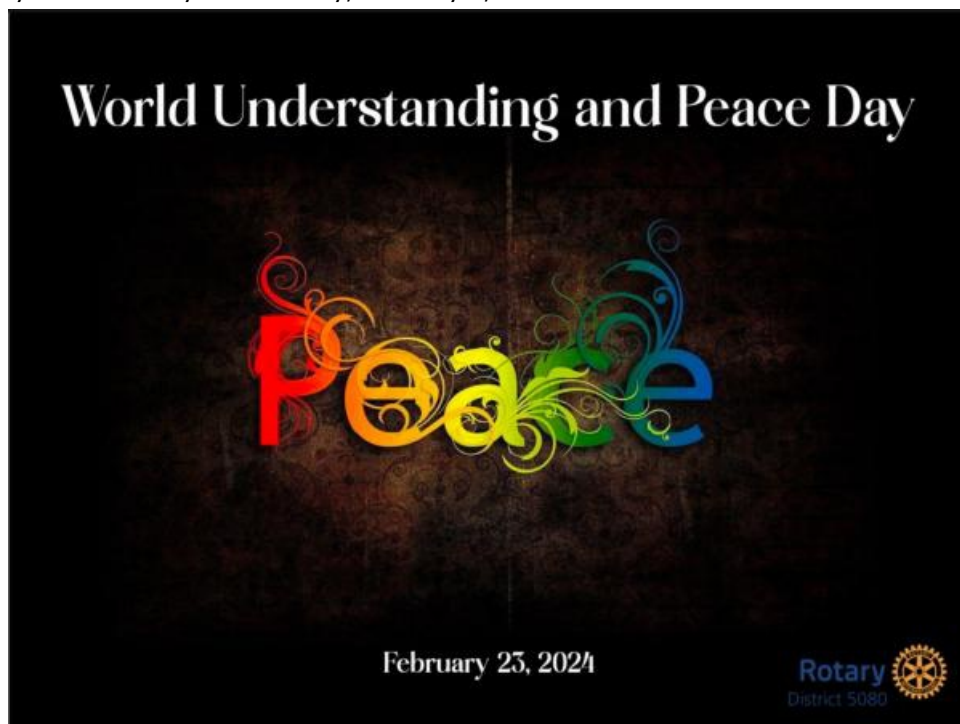
This will be a promising and fantastic time filled with women throughout Eastern WA speaking and encouraging other Women! There will be food from different cultures, entertainment and a silent raffle.

It's a celebration to promote Women but that doesn't mean men cannot attend! All Are Welcome.



February 23 is World Understanding and Peace Day

By Doreen Kelsey on Thursday, February 8, 2024



Paul Harris, like many young men in the early 20th century, sought his fame and fortune in a large city, and he missed the friendships and close community connections he had enjoyed in small-town New England. From this loneliness emerged an idea of forming a men’s social and business networking fellowship. Then on the evening of February 23, 1905, Paul Harris and three of his colleagues decided to meet after dinner in one of their offices, and such was the first Rotary meeting. This date in February is now observed by Rotarians worldwide as World Understanding and Peace Day, and it’s a suitable observance in February, which is Peace and Conflict Prevention Month.

Read on to see the wonderful peacebuilding events planned by clubs all around our district!

[Read More](#)

Urgent Appeal - ShelterBox Gaza

By Doreen Kelsey



ShelterBox is responding in Gaza, providing emergency shelter and other essential items to people left with nowhere to live. **As a humanitarian organization, ShelterBox must remain neutral and apolitical. We go wherever the humanitarian need of civilians is the highest, and right now that is in Gaza.**

Currently, 1.4 million people are sheltering in collective centers and on the street, increasing their risk of disease, hunger and cold. **We will be providing shelter, blankets, mattresses, kitchen sets, hygiene kits and more for people who have no belongings and are unable to return home, and those whose homes have been damaged.** We need your support today to help provide shelter to those who have been affected by this conflict, and other disasters around the world.

[Please Donate Now \(Canada\)](#)

[Please Donate Now \(US\)](#)

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Fighting Malaria – Pledge Your Club’s Support – Participation Deadline Extended to February 22

By Doreen Kelsey on Thursday, February 8, 2024



Rotarians Against Malaria - Global Rotary Action Group, have asked our help with a global grant that will aid every citizen in western Kenya. Modeled after the Program of Scale malaria eradication efforts in Zambia, this project needs the support of 20 Rotary Districts. How can we help? We need clubs in our district to pledge a combined total of \$10,000 USD by February 22 January 31, that doesn’t get funded until July 2024. That could be 20 clubs or individual Rotarians pledging as little as \$500 USD each.

The newly-formed Rotary Club of Global Action for Refugees and Forced Migrants has stepped forward to take the lead on this effort within District 5080. If you are interested in pledging, please contact me at dfoxkelsey@hotmail.com or Patrick Shagaluke, president of the Rotary Club of Global Action for Refugees and Forced Migrants, at patishagaluke@gmail.com.

More information on this project:

[Read More](#)

Vibe-Up! a District 5080 podcast series!

By Todd Shepard on Thursday, February 8, 2024

We hope you have gotten some value out of Vibe-Up! a new podcast for Rotarians in District 5080 and beyond, that launched in January.

District Membership Chair Todd Shepard and Public Image Chair Lynn O'Connor share with you ideas, interviews, and techniques to help your Rotary club become more vibrant, attract new members, and be more visible to your community.

Subscribe to our YouTube Channel (Grow Rotary District 5080)) to enjoy all episodes. You'll also be seeing links to the podcasts in the District Digest, on our Facebook Page (<https://www.facebook.com/rotarydistrict5080>), our Facebook Group (Vibe Up).



These are short, to the point, and easy to use. We would be honored to hear that you use them as a filler or an opening to your club meetings.

Season one has two introductory podcasts, so you know who Todd and I are, and then features interviews with District leaders; District Conference Chair Steve Roberge, District Governor-Elect Lorne Westnedge, DACdb District Communications Officer Kees van der Pol, and District Learning Facilitator Emily Osborne.

We welcome your comments and suggestions for future podcasts. What can we help explore with you?

Please subscribe to Grow Rotary District 5080 to get the latest podcasts and uploads.

<https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLRczvS7m6THL2ZK6LJURk998VEZcLhVTB&si=n55AoEBiEVOFBhSw>

District 5080 Recognition Awards

By Steve Roberge on Thursday, February 8, 2024



Thank you! We appreciate our Rotarians in Action!

Recognition of a job well done costs nothing but is priceless!

Those individuals and teams of Rotarians that go above and beyond are true leaders.

Have you witnessed a Rotarian or a Rotary club that has impressed and inspired?

Don't miss this opportunity to recognize them!

Nominations are available in several categories (listed below).

[Read More](#)

A Time for Celebration and Inspiration

By Doreen Kelsey

District Conference is a special gathering, to which all District Rotarians are invited, to honor the service of club and district leaders during the year; to celebrate our accomplishments; and to become inspired for another year of Rotary Service. It's a different occasion than our district assemblies, which are primarily meant to be club and district leader training events. And the best thing about both is that these occasions provide the opportunity for us to get together, across a geographically-vast district, and enjoy the fellowship of our Rotary friends.

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BRAZIL TOUR 2024

By Sheila Hart on Thursday, January 4, 2024



A Brazilian travel adventure opportunity, including Bauru, Foz do Iguaçu, Amazon, and Rio de Janeiro!

Arrive in Sao Paulo on October 12, and fly home on October 27, unless you choose to stay for additional activities. This is being arranged by PDG , Alonso Campoi, a travel agent who focuses on trips involving Rotarians and RYE students in Brazil (and has a fantastic reputation!).

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Save The Date! 2024 Zones 26 & 27 Institute: Spokane



This is a truly unique opportunity for us 'locals'! If you've never experienced a Zone Institute (or don't know what one is) here is a chance to explore! You'll get a taste of the wider world of Rotary, and undoubtedly come away with a deeper sense of why *you* belong in Rotary! Learn a little more about what a Zone Institute is [here](#).

Mark your calendars for the 2024 Zone Institute in Spokane, Washington, September 11 - 14, 2024! That's not a typo - the Institute is in September this year so we can take advantage of all Spokane has to offer before winter hits. And you'll be just steps away from amazing activities, shopping, and the Spokane river at The Davenport Grand Hotel, our Institute venue in the heart of downtown Spokane. During the Institute, you'll engage with fellow members in small group peer-to-peer learning sessions, hear inspiring keynote presentations, share new ideas and projects, and have fun! Registration and hotel reservations will be open soon.

It doesn't look like the [Zone website](#) has any more detail on this just yet, so check your emails or check the [website](#).

Our current Governor Line



It's just such a fun photo! Right to left: Governor-Elect Lorne Westnedge (*Nelson Daybreak*), Governor Doreen Kelsey (*Christina Lake*), Governor Nominee David Keyes (*Sandpoint*), and Governor Designate Steve Roberge (*Coeur d'Alene*).

February message from WGIPPA!

By Maria Kliavkoff on Thursday, February 8, 2024



Watch the video [here](#)! It's really interesting, especially for peacebuilders or wanna be peacebuilders!

Invitation to do service in Mexico

By Michael Birnbaum on Thursday, February 8, 2024



The Rotary Club of Colfax and local emergency responders are joining together to form and send a team to do community service and medical service work in Mexico.

This team is open to all to participate either by providing medical assistance or to serve in a community center providing help for low income women and children in Puerto Penasco Mexico (Baja area).

The trip is March 16th to 22nd.

The team is being organized by and led by Fire Chief Laura Loutenschlager and Reverend Michael Birnbaum. Logistical arrangements will be through Well Child International (WCI) a nonprofit that has worked in this area for 25 years. According to Birnbaum: "One of the advantages of this trip is we fly into Phoenix and then WCI picks us up in Vans and takes us to the work site and hotel". The trip also includes local tourist options for "down time". Cost of \$985 (plus \$100 deposit) includes transport from PHX and local transport, housing, two meals per day, professional guides/team leaders, some local touring, translators,

Passport OR enhanced driver's licence and birth certificate required. Contact Chief Lautenschlager (509-288-1484), or Pastor Birnbaum (509-710-3283) for more information.

Begin Planning for your 2024-2025 District Grants

By William Dunwoody



That time of the year is approaching. If your club is interested in applying for a District Grant for the 2024-2025 year, now is the time to begin planning.

- Do you have qualified club members (have they taken the District Grant Training and passed the quiz)?
- Do you want to apply for a local or an international grant?
- What area of focus is important to your club and the communities you serve?
- Do you want to partner with other clubs in order to expand the impact of your service activities?

I recently accessed the DACdb Grants Module for 2024-2025 and discovered that three clubs had begun the application process. Great Work!!

Applications for District Grants are due to be completed in DACdb no later than April 15th. Don't miss out on this great opportunity.

Recruit Rotary Peace Fellow candidates

By William Dunwoody

February is Rotary Peace and Conflict Resolution Month and is also the opening of the application period for Rotary Peace Fellows.

Districts and Rotary and Rotaract clubs play a key role in recruiting and recommending Rotary Peace Fellow candidates. Each year, The Rotary Foundation awards fellowships to leaders in peace and development to study at one of the Rotary Peace Centers at premier universities around the world. The fellows can earn a master's degree or a postgraduate diploma through the professional development certificate program.

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Polio in Pakistan - A Video Message from RIPE Stephanie Urchick



In January, District Governors Elect from throughout the world gathered in Florida for mandatory training before they assume their duties in July. One of the compelling presentations they heard was from Rotary International President Elect Stephanie Urchick as she spoke about her upcoming trip to Pakistan and the vital role Rotary plays in eradicating Polio in that country. Click the link [here](#) to view the video of Stephanie's remarks.

Global Polio Eradication Initiative Reports on Donor Updates for 2023

DONOR UPDATES

WHO acknowledges gratefully the

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation,

which

provided US\$ 208.57 million in 2023 to support polio outbreak response campaigns, surge capacity and research activities.



WHO would like to extend gratitude to **Rotary International** for the generous contribution of US\$ 69.19 million in 2023 to support technical assistance in headquarters and the African and Eastern Mediterranean Regions, operational costs for SIAs in Afghanistan and Pakistan, global outbreak response, surveillance in Nigeria and research activities.

WHO is very grateful to **US CDC** for the generous contribution of US\$ 47.67 million to global polio eradication efforts in 2023 including support for technical assistance, laboratory strengthening and the GPEI STOP Program.

WHO would like to thank **USAID** for the generous contribution of US\$ 42.97 million in 2023 for global polio surveillance.

WHO thanks the **Gates Philanthropic Partners** who provided US\$ 11.2 million in 2023 to support operational costs for outbreak response campaigns and technical assistance.

On 5 December 2023, the **Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation** and the **French Development Agency** (AFD) announced a [new partnership](#) to fund polio eradication efforts and support climate-resilient health systems in Pakistan. This announcement includes a new loan of up to €55 million from AFD to Pakistan, going to support WHO's polio operations in the country.

Expand your Impact and your Reach through Peacebuilding



Peace and Conflict Resolution is an integral aspect of everything we do as Rotarians.

If your club supports projects to provide water in remote areas of the world, funding school or healthcare projects, or if you travel around the world to experience the cultures, values, and lifestyles available to us we are engaged in Peacebuilding.

Does your club have a focus on Peacebuilding...it should.

Peace is service, Peace is understanding, Peace is Rotary.

Peace supports our clubs, our communities, and our interactions with diverse people throughout the world.

Have you thought of making a statement for peace by becoming a Peacebuilder Club?

The Rotary Action Group for Peace has a process for become recognized as a Peacebuilder Club and this recognition will open the doors of your Club and its members to become engaged in the activities of the D5080 Peace Committee. The D5080 Peace Committee is ready and willing to support your Club to **Expand your Impact** and **Expand your Reach** by mentoring your club through the process of becoming a Peacebuilder Club?

Interested? Go to the [Peacebuilder Club application page](#) to learn more or contact Co-Chair Maxine Ruzicka at maxruz@telus.net or Co-Chair Bill Dunwoody at whd@dunwoodyfamily.net for mentor support opportunities.

2024-25 Presidential Theme Materials Now Available



President Elect Stephanie Urchick has announced the presidential theme for the 2024-25 Rotary Year. Click [here](#) to download the theme materials and Branding Guidelines. [Read More](#)

Making Rotary Simply Irresistible

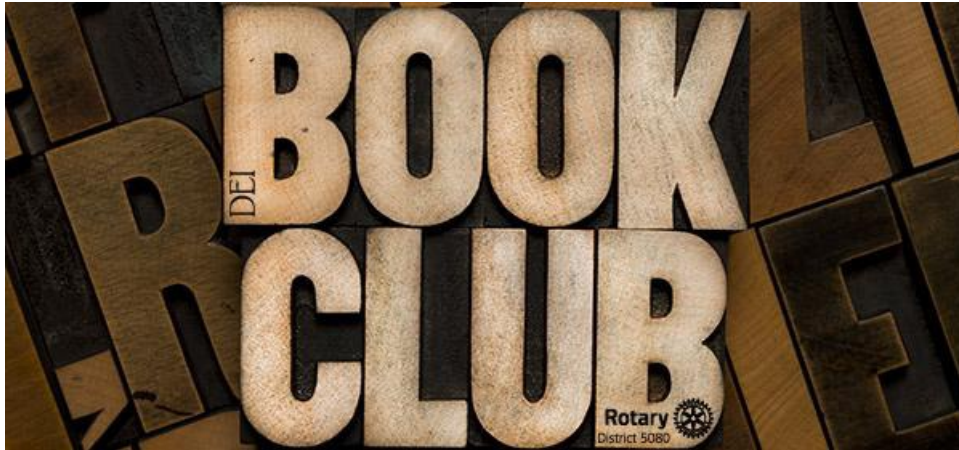
(By Tom Gump, Aide to the 2024-25 Rotary International President, taken from the online RI newsletter Rotary Voices)

... So what does “simply irresistible” mean in terms of an organization? According to Deloitte’s description of “[The Simply Irresistible Organization](#),” an irresistible organization has five elements: (i) meaningful work, (ii) supportive management, (iii) a positive work environment, (iv) growth opportunities, and (v) trust in leadership. I truly believe that together, we can make Rotary an irresistible organization if our clubs provide these elements to our members.

“**Meaningful Work**” No one joins a club to... [Read More](#)

DEI Book Review

By Lynn Theresa O'Connor



Review of **Pageboy** (by Elliot Page) by the group: The discussion about this book was that it offered an intimate description of what growing up with gender dysphoria is like. His life was complicated by growing born in a female body, but never feeling like a girl, parents divorced early, and then an early on screen success (as ~Ellen~™ Page ~ in the title role of the film Juno, which is excellent). Notable in the book is how it jumps around in time through all the discovery experiences~ it~™s not a linear read, but it was noted that this might be a reflection how Ellen/Elliott~™s feeling and experiences were all over the place before settling into his manhood.

In February, on Thursday the 22 at 7pm, we will discuss... [Read More](#)

Do you need light bulbs and fixtures?

Karrie Hughs-Kay from the Clarkston club is offering 60 -t8 2 bulb 2x4 fixtures with bulbs and covers. They are free, but you haul, and they need to be gone ASAP. I beleive they are located in Coeur d'Alene. Please contact Karrie at cwarotary@gmail.com if you are interested.

Send me your stories for the Digest!

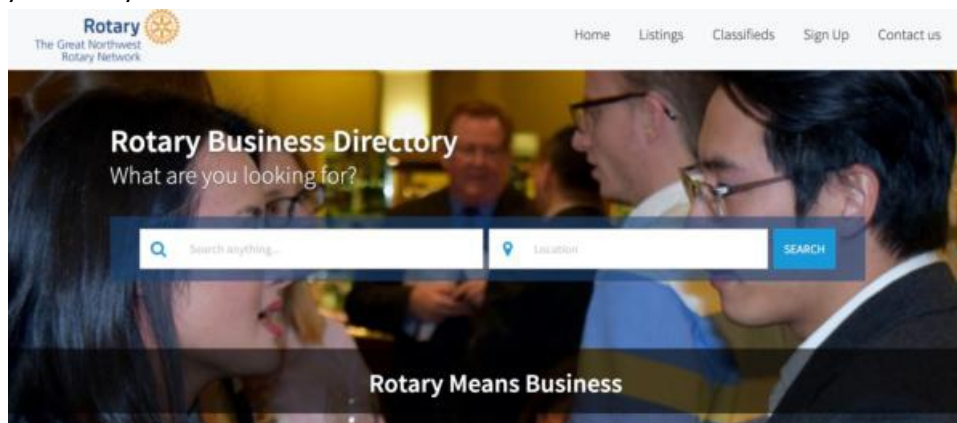
By Lynn Theresa O'Connor



I would love to include more information about what Rotarians and Rotary Clubs are doing! Please send me (lynntoconnor@gmail.com) your stories - cool projects that you're proud of (pictures help!); fun fundraisers others might want to attend, a club member who shines - whatever you'd like to share!

Great Northwest Rotary Network

By Linda Kay Bauer



Our District has joined the Great Northwest Rotary Network, and it's time to start getting our business connections loaded. The intent is to provide resources for our Rotary members across the District when they have a need. Looking for financial manager, realtor, lawyer, mechanic, doctor? Search the directory! Traveling around the NW and needing help with an issue? Search the directory! We know Rotarians are ethical and honest, so why would folks go anywhere else?

You can sign up your business. Go to <https://www.gnwrotarynetwork.com/sign-up>. There is a vetting process so it takes a bit for your listing to appear.

Linda K Bauer
District 5080 Governor, 2022-23
Richland Rotary Club
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Friends We'll Miss



This is the space we honor Rotarians that are no longer with us. If you have lost a club member and would like to see them honored here, please email the information to PDG Linda Bauer at lindakaybauer@gmail.com.

A complete list of honored Rotarians is available on the District website Memorial Page at <https://district5080.org/district-memorials.php>.

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