



Debi Dockins has been selected to be District Governor for the 2027-28 Rotary year

Monday, November 4, 2024



We are pleased to announce that Debi Dockins (Pullman) has been selected to be District Governor for the 2027-28 Rotary year.

Debi has been a member of the Pullman club since 1992 and was previously a member of Spokane Club 21, joining in 1989. Along with her husband, Scott, she is a Major Donor, and a member of both the Paul Harris Society and PolioPlus Societies. She has served as District Education/Trainer for several years. She consistently works across committees to create programs of value to our members. She worked on the PETS committee to develop curriculum with other District Educators, She has also served as a District Secretary back in the District Governor year of Glen A. Yake.

When an Assistant Governor (AG) position opened up in Area 10, she jumped right in, and became a very active and involved AG. She always published an area newsletter that kept her clubs connected. She has served her club as President in 1989-1990 and again during the club's 75th Anniversary in 2021-2022. She was named Rotarian of the year in 2022 and is a founding member of the District DEI Task Force (now a committee) and the DEI Book Club She also founded, along with many Zone leaders, the Ethics Initiative.

What Debi is most passionate about and most well-known for is her activity with RYLA. She has been part of RYLA for 30 years, and also serves as Treasurer.

Debi is one of the most experienced and well rounded applicants for the Governor line, and we know our District will be in good hands under her leadership. We are quite confident she will work well with Lorne, Dave, and Steve, her predecessors on the Governor Line, and those lucky individuals that follow her.

~She is very excited to move into this role and serve the clubs of , Debi!

A Four-Star Rating 16 Years in a Row!

By Doreen Fox Kelsey on Saturday, November 2, 2024

Charity Navigator,
the premier

charity rating firm, announced in October that the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International has earned the distinction of achieving the highest possible rating (Four Stars) again this year – making it 16 in a row. Less than 1 percent of charitable organizations evaluated by Charity Navigator earn this rating



for even 10 consecutive years. The Rotary Foundation achieved this highest rating through responsible stewardship, efficiency, and the amount of funds that go directly to projects.

Global Polio Eradication Initiative -Polio News



[Read the latest edition of the Polio News](#)

District Rotary Foundation Committee Assignments

By Doreen Fox Kelsey on Saturday, November 2, 2024

Share Your Rotary Foundation Stories!

District Annual Fund Sub-committee chairperson Kathy Long will be creating a quarterly newsletter for District 5080 Rotarians who wish to learn more about the Rotarian Foundation and how their gifts are supporting *People of Action* in service to their communities.

Please share your humanitarian project or scholarship stories – any endeavor that was funded by a Rotary Foundation grant – and include photos. Your Rotary stories will inspire others to donate to the Rotary Foundation or initiate their own projects, which ensures that Rotary will continue to meet humanitarian needs and create a more peaceful world in the future.

Please also share what inspires you to give to the Rotary Foundation – what is most meaningful to you and how has the Rotary Foundation changed your life and/or Rotary experience?

You can send your stories, photos, and inspiration to Kathy Long at katherineelong77@gmail.com or to District Rotary Foundation Committee Chair (DRFCC) Doreen Kelsey at dfoxkelsey@hotmail.com.

Zoom Sessions Scheduled for Global Grants Policy Changes

By Doreen Fox Kelsey on Saturday, November 2, 2024

The Rotary Foundation (TRF) Trustees have made several changes to the Terms and Conditions for Rotary Foundation Global Grants, some of which went into effect on July 1, 2024, and others that will go into effect on July 1, 2026. These changes have necessitated corresponding changes to District Policy and the manner in which District Designated Funds (DDF) will be administered by the District.

For example, if an application is not submitted within 12 months after it is started in the Grant Center, it will be canceled by TRF. If an application isn't completed and approved within 6 months after it is submitted, it will be canceled by TRF. Your District Policy has been revised to reflect these changes to TRF policy and to require additional training.

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Planning a Global Grant? Let us Know!

By Doreen Fox Kelsey on Saturday, November 2, 2024

With recent changes made to the availability and retention of District Designated Funds (DDF) by the Rotary Foundation Trustees, it's more important than ever for district leaders to carefully manage DDF commitments. **Any Rotary Clubs in District 5080 planning to request DDF for a *global grant* in this Rotary year should communicate with the District Rotary Foundation Committee Chair (DRFCC) prior to December 31, 2024.** There is a limited amount of DDF available, and any DDF requests made in 2024-2025 must be fully utilized before year-end. Priority will be given to requests that can be approved and paid by the Rotary Foundation prior to June 30, 2025.

And please check out the article elsewhere in the *District Digest* announcing the Zoom training sessions explaining Global Grants Policy Changes. The first session will be held at 6:00 p.m. PST on November 7, and the second opportunity will be held at 6:00 p.m. PST on November 19.

Please reach out to Doreen Kelsey, DRFCC, at dfoxkelsey@hotmail.com.

Year-End Giving Strategies – Your Rotary Foundation

By Doreen Fox Kelsey on Saturday, November 2, 2024

Many of you recently attended the Fall Assembly and District Rotary Foundation Seminar in Spokane Valley or Creston, and you had the opportunity to learn how to leverage funding from the Rotary Foundation to finance your club's service projects. As you probably know, this funding depends on the generosity of Rotarians and their gifts to the Annual Fund and Endowment Fund of the Rotary Foundation.

The last months of the year offer the opportunity to

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Looking for a Project? Let Us Know!

By Doreen Fox Kelsey on Saturday, November 2, 2024

Lots of clubs in District 5080 have amazing local and international service projects in the works that need your club's support. If you want to lend a helping hand or contribute funding, reach out to your DRFCC. Together, we can accomplish so much more, and partnerships create learning and funding opportunities. One of the best ways to learn how to plan a successful project or apply for a grant is to partner with an experienced club first. Contact Doreen Kelsey at dfoxkelsey@hotmail.com for contacts.

District 5080's newest Arch Klumph Society Members



During the Fall Assembly and District Rotary Foundation Seminar, an exciting announcement was made – Jim and Linda Bauer of the Richland Rotary Club joined a select group of Arch Klumph Society members in our district. An Arch Klumph Society member is a donor who gives \$250,000 USD or more to the Rotary Foundation. Jim and Linda are among just four couples and one individual to achieve this level of giving in

District 5080.

We thank Jim and Linda for their generous giving to the Rotary Foundation and for setting an example that is inspirational to us all. During the Fall Assembly, a video was shared starring Jim and Linda. You can watch the video [here](#), and below is the transcript of that video.

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Dear District 5080 Rotarians

By Debi G Dockins on Saturday, November 2, 2024



Dear District 5080 Rotarians;

On behalf of the district staff of RYLA 2024, we send our sincere thanks and appreciation for your help in recruiting and sponsoring some of the finest students in your area to RYLA! Whether you sent a cash contribution or put forward students from your community, your school or your workplace, we appreciate your support as we executed our 47th stellar leadership training.

As you know, the cost of EVERYTHING went up as we moved from

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Special Book Club Event!

Dear District 5080 DEI Book Club members, and anyone else who is intrigued!

We are sponsoring a special session of the District 5080 DEI book group on November 12 at 11 am (PST), vi Zoom. Christina Cooke, the daughter of one of our book club members, will speak about her debut novel Broughtupsy.

It isn't often that we get to speak with the author of a book we have read, so this is a special treat! Don't miss it!

You can find the book on [Amazon](#), or ask at your public library. Read the Amazon review [here](#), and in the 'Read More' you can see our DEI book group list of books, most of which we have read!

Hoping to 'see' you on November 12! Even if you don't have time to read the book, we would love to have you listen in on the conversation!

Special Book Club Event!

A conversation with Christina Cooke, author of *Broughtupsy*.

Christina Cooke is a fiction writer and essayist whose work has appeared in a large number of journals. She is named as a "Writer to Watch" by CBC books and Shondaland. A MacDowell Fellow and JourneyPrize winner, she has a Master of Arts (UNB) and an MFA (Iowa Writers Workshop), she has been named the inaugural Poets & Writers Fellow at Vermont Studio Center. She was born in Jamaica and is now a Canadian citizen who lives and writes in New York City. *Broughtupsy* is her debut novel.



November 12, 2024 at 11 am (PST)

~ Leslie Waters, Maddy Harlamovs, co-chairs of the DEI book group, and Lynn O'Connor

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IT'S THE ROTARY GLOBAL AUCTION!

A vibrant purple and yellow graphic for the Rotary Global Auction. It features several hexagonal images: a classic car, a woman in a kitchen, a woman in a blue dress speaking, a man in a suit, a tropical beach, and a building. A central white hexagon contains the text "The Rotary Global Auction Bidding Begins November 1st". At the bottom, a yellow banner says "Register to bid. Bid high. Bid Often. https://bit.ly/rotaryglobalauction" and the Rotary logo is visible with the text "Rotary Club for Global Action".

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Rotary
Club for Global Action

This is your chance to bid and win some unique items and extraordinary experiences all while doing good in the world. We have worked to curate a collection of art, collectibles and one of kind experiences - many of which will probably never be available to the public again! Half of all the proceeds from this online auction go to support programs of the Rotary Club for Global Action and half go to immediately


support charities dear to the donors' hearts including, of course, the Rotary Foundation!

Start by registering and then bid high and often at <http://bit.ly/rotaryglobalauction>

Waterton Glacier General Meeting being planned for Sept 2025

You could be in beautiful Waterton Lakes village next September 19-21, enjoying wonderful updates about our very own Waterton Glacier International Peace Park Association at the general meeting. Enjoy great area restaurants and a beautiful setting at the lakeside Bayshore Inn. More announcements forthcoming!

Waterton Glacier International Peace Park General Meeting and Assembly



September 19-21, 2025
**Bayshore Inn,
Waterton**

**Cocktail reception Friday
&
Saturday night gala!**

More information coming soon!

Save the Date!

Peacebuilding Lessons Learned during Fall Assembly

Using the 8 Pillars of Positive Peace as a Framework for conducting a Community Assessment for District and Global Grants.

District Peace Committee members Nancy Milton and Maxine Ruzicka presented a program titled, "Peacebuilding with Global Grants" at the Spokane Valley, WA and Creston, BC Fall Assembly and Foundation Summit.

The focus of the program was on establishing a sustainable plan using the Rotary Grant Assessment Guidelines and the Pillars of Positive Peace. Using these tools to guide the community assessment process.

The Pillars of Positive Peace combine simplicity with systems analytics to:

- Build a framework that offers a neutral starting point and a basis for understanding peacebuilding impact and potential.
- Enable the systemic consideration of do-no-harm principles.
- Follow the principles of the 4-Way Test in conduction analysis of current situations and circumstances as well



as future impact.

- Conduct assessments in a non-political and culturally sensitive manner.

If you missed the opportunity to attend this program, please feel free to download the [Peacebuilding with Global Grants Project Design Tool](#) that contains additional links to the presentation and other tools.

The topic of Assessing Peace will be further explored at the next Peacebuilders in Action Summit held during the Annual District Conference on 2 December 2025 in Nelson, BC.

Institute for Economics and Peace Ecological Threat Report 2024

The fifth edition of the Ecological Threat Report (ETR), analyses ecological threats in 207 independent states and territories.

The research takes a multi-faceted approach by analyzing ecological threats at the national and subnational levels, while also assessing the threats against societal resilience and levels of peace.

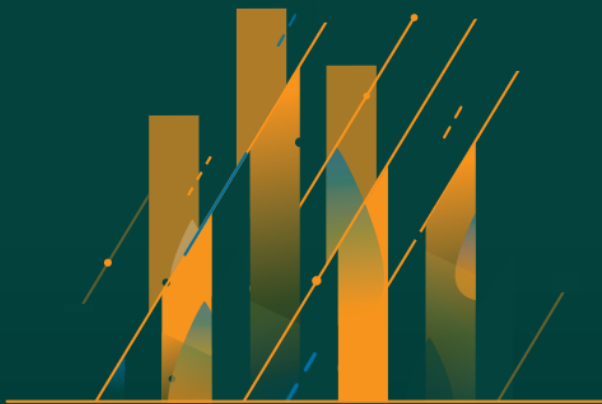
Comparing ecological threats against societal resilience enables IEP to identify the global regions, countries, and subnational areas most at risk of an ecological disaster, both now and into the future.

Download this report [here](#).



Ecological Threat Report 2024 Briefing

- Global Results
- Water Risk
- Non-State Conflict
- Food Security



Why PNW-PELS?

By Kees van der Pol

What? Pacific Northwest President-Elect Learning Seminar (PNW-PELS) (formerly

2025 PACIFIC NORTHWEST PRESIDENTS-ELECT LEADERSHIP SEMINAR
FEBRUARY 21 - 23 2025

PETS ...Training Seminar. Now it's ...Learning Seminar)

(from the editor: PELS is a series of essential events for incoming Rotary Club Presidents to prepare for their year of service. PETS provides an incredible opportunity to learn their role and work with others to set goals. It's an experience – and for many Rotarians, it's one of the most memorable and inspiring experiences of their Rotary careers! You'll have the opportunity to meet Rotary International leadership, hear from great speakers and celebrate your district's efforts to change our world!*

PNW PETS is a partnership of 10 Rotary districts. This inspiring and informative seminar exposes Presidents-Elect to the latest trends and techniques in the operation of a Rotary Club. The PETS experience is also a wonderful opportunity for great fellowship and networking with over 500 Presidents-Elect from throughout the Western United States and parts of Canada!)

Where? Hilton-DoubleTree SeaTac Hotel (right by the SeaTac International Airport)

When? February 21 to 23, 2025

8 am start on Friday morning, so you need to arrive Thursday night

Why? PELS training is a requirement to be met in order to be your club president. Your club should have budgeted funds for you to attend. This is where and when you will meet all the other Presidents-Elect from District 5080. This is where and when you will meet with your District Governor-Elect David Keyes (*Sandpoint*). Great fellowship and inspiration! Can you imagine... 500 Presidents-Elect from 10 Rotary districts!

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First convention? It won't be your last

By Linda Kay Bauer on Tuesday, October 29, 2024



Whether Calgary will be your first convention or your 20th, Rotary leaders are confident you'll walk away amazed. And a discount alert! *The last day to save significant money with early registration is 15 December.* Lock in your preferred hotel and signature events, which can sell out. [Read More](#)

What does a PDG do?

By Linda Kay Bauer

Get back to their travel bucket list! On our list was a toodle around Scandinavia, so 'travel-by-Linda' got to work for a mid-July to September adventure. I always look first for ITHF (*International Travel & Hosting Fellowship*) members, and plan our travel around those locations. We started our journey in Finland, and it's hard to believe there are no ITHF members in this lovely country, and their clubs don't meet in the summer. We dropped back to airbnb and had some memorable experiences before hopping on a ferry to Sweden. [Read More](#)

