

# Rotary

Club of Klamath County



Thursday, February 1, 2024

The Rotary Club of Klamath County meets at The  
Ross Ragland Cultural Center, 218 N 7th St.  
Klamath Falls, Oregon 97601  
Thursdays at noon

**This Week's Program:**

**Michelle Crane**

**Klamath & Lake Counties Long Term Recovery  
Group(Support for Life Altering Disasters, i.e.  
Wildfire)**

**Chair: Daneen Dail**

**Next Week's Program:**

**Lee Bouma**

**Base Commander Update - 173rd Fighter Wing  
Chair: Tom Schiess**

**ROTARY WINS THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
"COMMUNITY IMPACT" AWARD**

**It was a night for celebration when 30+ Rotarians walked on stage at the Chamber's Awards Gala last Saturday evening to accept the "*Community Impact*" award. We were up against seven other very worth organizations, several of whom we have collaborated with in community outreach.**

**This award is presented to a nonprofit organization in recognition of creativity and innovation in building a sustainable organization and finding creative solutions to community challenges.**

**A special thanks to Lexi McNair who nominated our club for this award and did such an outstanding job of detailing the many ways Rotary contributes to our local community and beyond.**

**A sincere congratulation to all of our members who made this award possible by giving so graciously and generously of their time, talent and funds to support the many worthwhile causes championed by Rotary. This was well deserved recognition for our club and the varied endeavors we undertake to enrich the lives of those who reside in the Basin.**



## **An Overview of this Week's Program**

### **Klamath & Lake Long Term Recovery Group**

#### **Vision Statement**

It is our heartfelt mission to be a beacon of hope and support for disaster affected individuals on their journey to recovery. By providing compassionate assistance and essential resources, we strive to empower those facing adversity, helping them rebuild their lives and communities with resilience and dignity. Our professional and dedicated team remains committed to fostering a sense of unity and fostering collaboration among community partners, ensuring the sustainable recovery of those impacted by disasters. Together, we envision a brighter future for every individual we serve, where the scars of disaster are replaced with renewed hope and opportunities for a better tomorrow.

#### **Services**

We collaborate with statewide and local community agencies to facilitate the provision of resources to individuals affected by disasters, aiding them in their journey towards recovery.

### **Recognition of Paul Harris Contributions at February 29th Meeting.**

A portion of the February 29th weekly meeting will be devoted to recognizing the many Rotarians who have contributed to the Rotary Foundation via the Paul Harris Fellow fund. In the second half of last year, the board, on recommendation from Barney Simonsen, opted to match 1 for 1 any donation made by a member towards their Paul Harris Fellow account with up to 1000 club points per member.

Many Rotarians stepped up to the challenge and we want to recognize all who have achieved a Paul Harris Fellow award since that challenge began. This match will continue through the end of June of this year, so there is still plenty of time to start or to add to your Paul Harris Fellow fund.

### **\$15 Thousand Remains for Worthwhile Projects for the Community**

An amount of \$15,000 from the \$40,000 of proceeds from the Livestock Auction remains available for additional worthwhile programs brought to the board by membership. Proposals must fall into one of the following criteria for consideration: 1.) Mental Health and Wellbeing, 2.) Youth and Families, 3.) Literacy, 4.) Clean Water, and 5.) Humanitarian, i.e. food security. Proposals must be made in person to the board or by a presentation at a weekly Rotary meeting with the request for funds made to the board.

To allow for ample time to review a proposal, the board will limit the reviews to two proposals per board meeting. Proposals will be addressed on a first-come, first-serve basis. The next board meeting is on February 7th. Please contact President Jim to schedule a proposal before the board.

**Look for the secret word in italics. Be the first one to raise your hand and get 5 bucks and three free 50/50 tickets!!!**

## Birthdays



[Todd Andres](#)  
January 29th



[David Carlson](#)  
February 3rd



[Gary Cheyne](#)  
February 20th



[Jim Hackett](#)  
February 22nd