

Rotary



Club of Medford Rogue

April 7th Communicator

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Zoom meeting link: [Click Here For Link](#)

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Involved Rotarians

Inspirational Moment: Judy Basker
Sergeant at Arms: Claudette Moore
Greeters: Paul Christy
Attendance: Shaun Franks
Technology: John VanSickle

Song for Today: The Most Beautiful "Amazing Grace" Ever

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by: Sissle Kyrkjebo

Thanks to Frank Pulver

This Week's Speaker:

David Doi, Exec. Dir., [Rebuilding Together-Rogue Valley](#)

Topic: Restoring Home Safety, Rebuilding Lives, Revitalizing Communities

Last Week's Speaker:

March 31 :

Mick Zdeblick, CEO of Asante Rogue Regional.

Topic: Heimann Cancer Center

Summary of last week's topic:

Mick presented on the new Heimann Cancer Center that consolidates cancer care to improve the experience and care for patients and families. Cancer is the leading cause of death in Southern

Oregon with more than 2,000 people diagnosed annually. Currently care is excellent, but fragmented requiring patients to travel to multiple locations to receive care. The three floor center provides easier navigation with advanced diagnostics and physician offices on the first floor, medical oncology offices, nurses, social work, laboratories and a lounge on the second floor and infusion, pharmacy, research and conference space for physician teams on the third floor. The infusion area has both a private setting and a social setting depending on the patients preference. A new pediatric oncology clinic will be within the hospital with specialized treatment rooms. The clinic would not be possible without the philanthropic gifts raising \$7.5 million of the \$10 million so far including a generous \$5 million gift from Mary and Dick Heimann. The new care center will be open in late 2023.

A two-story facility is also being renovated in Grants Pass improving oncology services in Josephine County and surrounding rural areas. The facility will include an expanded infusion center, supportive services with social workers and dieticians, a new CT scanner and more to provide integrated care in one location. This facility will be open in late 2021.

Asante has been identified nationally in the Top 15 Health Centers for 8 years in a row and recently identified in the Top 50 Cardiac Hospitals.

April 14 Speaker: Peter Buckley, Update on Trauma-Informed Practices in Southern Oregon

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

Cheryl Dyer announced a Pickleball Tournament on September 17-19

Pat Barry announced St. Mary's InterAct Dental Health project may need help assembling kits

Fellowship

Fellowship invites you to hike along RoxyAnn Friday, April 23rd with Sally Buck. Meet at 2 p.m. at the upper parking area. Questions? Contact Sally at 402-916-0047. No need to RSVP, just show up. Bring water.

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 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, gnew@charter.net; Debbie (McHargue) Graunke, dmchargue@hotmail.com; Beth Zerkel, 1bzerk@gmail.com.

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