

**Monthly Newsletter of Rotary District 5030** 

## Bridges Team Rotary's Connector May 2017



Bo Darling District Governor



#### **Rotary Action Groups**

Do you have interest in a particular subject and a desire to share? Click on one of the subjects to find out more.

**Addiction Prevention** AIDS and Family Health **Alzheimer's and Dementia Blindness Prevention Blood Donation** Clubfoot Dentistry Diabetes **Disaster Assistance Endangered Species Environmental Sustainability Food Plant Solutions** Health Education and Wellness Hearing Hunger and Malnutrition **Literacy** Malaria Mental Health Microfinance and Community Development **Multiple Sclerosis** Peace **Polio Survival Population and Development** Preconception Care Slavery Water and Sanitation

#### Bridges Deadline

#### **Articles & Club Ads**

Send to: carmamckay@gmail.com Deadline: 25th of each month. Submit text in the body of an email or as a Word.doc. Ads need to be in .jpg format.



Special Observance Month - Youth Service

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DATELINE: Portland, April 21-23, 2017. My sincere thanks to you all!!! You came, you saw, you worked, you presented, you learned, AND you had fun. I cannot tell you how pleased we all are with this District Conference!

Golf on Thursday was extremely competitive; first and last places were only TWO shots apart! Friday morning, our Rotarians joined Portland District 5100 in dedicating a peace pole at the North Precinct Police Bureau. This is one of 130 poles being planted in the Metropolitan area.

Friday night, was shared with Portland district 5100. Session I opened with a Color Guard. Then we honored the Foundation's 100 year anniversary engaged by RI Representative Robb Kneupfer. Robb, a 35 year Rotarian, now retired senior partner with Baker & McKenzie is in Divinity School (he says he is atoning for his sins as a lawyer). Cathy Gibson shared the many projects of Seattle #4 just prior to the 30 years of Women in Rotary kick off celebrating with panel: Carolyn Jones (first woman Trustee of TRF), Laurie Carlson (5100) and our own Rosemary Barker Aragon (both first women DGs).

Saturday morning promoted this month's theme of <u>Youth Service</u>, as Session II was conducted by Rotaractors and guests were treated to a talk on Leadership by General Barry McCaffrey.

Next was a full list of hard to choose from Breakouts. For "Women in Rotary—are you Kidding?", Laurel James and Ken Colling donned 1987 style business suits to welcome guests for panelists Cynthia Chirot, Ruth Ann Halford, Paul Mar and Lloyd Hara, who described the "early days"...not always easy—or pleasant. This was followed by "Winning Women" with Nancy Lee, Shari Storm and Rosemary Barker Aragon. Other breakouts included Randal Southam on Business, Dana Clark: Kids aren't for Sale, Social Media presented by Corinne Cavanaugh and Norman Lieberman, Endangered Species (Dr. Tom Tochterman), Grants: Steve Crane, Cathy Burnell, Kathleen Davis, Larry Logue, and Jeff Brennan. Music and Yoga: David Endicott and Amy Huggins, Disaster: Dr. Leigh Readdy, and Rotaract Groups with Sora Moon, Elaina Larson, Susan and Hal Beals. Shelterbox: Dave Nichols, Ethiopia Water: David Spicer and Ezra Teshome, Nancy Pasternak with Micro Loans and Jean Thompson's Child Care—lots of sequins and bright colors Whew!!! Every one was a hit!

Saturday night really was a party. Session III featured the Nearly Dan Band and there was dancing and games and dancing and silliness and a good time was had by all. (Especially that errant drummer).

Multiple kudos to: Conference Chair Bill McElroy and his team, Facilities and Events' Chairs Tom and Diane Jaffa plus "Mister AV" Steve Crandall and his team. Job well done. Many thanks to Sten Crissey, perfect aide to our illustrious RI Director-elect and to Vijya Patel who was aide to Carolyn Jones.

Lastly, a very special thank you to Emcee Mark Wright Exactly the right mix of polish, humor, great interviewing skills and the all-important ....flexibility. There just might be a spot for him in broadcasting!

I'm going to take a nap now,

Bo Darling, DG

#### **Program: Women In Rotary**

Join the Rotary Club of Lynnwood for a very special program commemorating the Supreme Court's decision from thirty years ago.

May 4, 1987 – Casting doubt on claims by many private clubs that they have constitutional rights to exclude women from membership, the Supreme Court ruled in a 7to-0 decision today that states may outlaw such discrimination by Rotary Clubs.

## Bo's Corner

#### Attention Golfers from Across the District

Shoreline Rotary is challenging the District 5030 Rotary Clubs to send their best to compete in a Rotary Club Scramble as a part of their Annual Rotary Tournament.

This year the winning Rotary Club Team will take home the **Rotating Rotary Trophy and Bragging Rights!** 

## **Shoreline Rotary**

YOUR SUPPORT MAKES A DIFFERENCE



## 23rd Annual Shoreline Rotary **Golf Tournament**

In Memory of Allen Anderson

Join Shoreline Rotary in our Annual Fundraiser supporting both local and international programs that promote peace, education, health, nutrition and goodwill.

#### Monday

#### August 7

Sponsorship Program \$1,100 to \$7,500

#### Individual Golfer \$195 \$10 per ticket **The Golf Club At Echo Falls**

Foursome \$600

20414- 121st Ave. SE, Snohomish, WA 98296 Register and Pay Online at <a href="http://golf.shorelinerotary.com/">http://golf.shorelinerotary.com/</a> For more information: Contact@shorelinerotary.com



1:00 Start

Annual Raffle

#### **Attorney General Bob Ferguson** Thursday - May 18th at Noon Southcenter Rotary

Welcome State Attorney General Bob Ferguson as our luncheon speaker. We encourage any Rotarian or other interested party to attend. We meet at the Southcenter ACME Bowling Complex 100 Andover Park West, Tukwila 98188. A delicious lunch is \$20 and the comradery is first class.

Please RSVP to Ed Parks, lawrenceeparks@comcast.net (206) 722-5575 so we have enough space and food. We're looking forward to a full house.



#### Join Us! Friday May 19, 2017 11:30 am - 1:30 pm

#### Spirit of Rotary Benefit Lunch

Celebrating 78 Years of Service to Our Community and World





#### **Karen Phelps Moyer - Moyer Foundation Dr. Christopher Elias - Gates Foundation**

#### Seattle Yacht Club 1807 East Hamlin Street



Lunch reservations \$30. Please contact sonmichael.kwb@gmail.com

### **PFW Business Mixer Event**

Wednesday, May 3rd, 4:30-6:00 Nashville's Sports Bar 114 Railroad Ave N. Kent, WA 98032

Partners for Work (PFW) is hosting a Business Mixer and we want you to join us. Come learn more about our successful District Project and the positive impact we are making in King County.

We will be awarding the Kent Rotary Club with the Frank Devlyn award our 9th club to reach this status and we will be recognizing our most recent hiring employers, Nashville's Sports Bar and Wesley Homes.

Snacks, socializing and a no-host bar await you. You are guaranteed a good time with great Rotarians. Hope you can join us!



#### Polio Update by Steve Crane

## No New Cases Since February



The chart below has not changed since

the March update. This is the low season for new cases when intensive vaccination campaigns are seeking to reach every child under 5 at risk.



The President's budget proposal from May thru September calls for cuts in federal polio eradication funding. That's now being considered on Capitol Hill, where Rotarians weighed in on April 24-26 for sustained funding at the current \$228 million level. RI President John Germ recognized Rep. Cathy McMorris

Rodgers (R-WA) at a special reception as a Polio

Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R-WA)

(A-WA) Eradication Champion for her work with us on a social media video about polio and her subsequent funding support. That's especially helpful since she is a member of the

Polio Cases reported as of April 25, 2017 By the Global Polio Eradication Initiative

House Republican leadership. The June update will report how

Country	2017	2016	2015
	Thru April 25	Year End	Year End
Afghanistan	3	13	20
Pakistan	2	20	54
Nigeria	0	4	0
Global Totals	5	37	74

We're all responsible for creating a polio-free world while we still can. Bill Gates



## Rotary's Polio Efforts Praised by Bill and Melinda Gates

Every year, Bill and Melinda Gates publish an annual letter to broaden awareness and interest in key global health and development programs. This year's <u>Annual Letter</u> mentioned polio among their foundation's ongoing efforts to fight disease and inequality, specifically, the incredible progress that's been made towards polio eradication. Melinda Gates offers these kind words to reaffirm the important role Rotary has had leading the way to a polio-free world:

"We're awed by the teams of vaccinators who take risks to reach each child. And we're inspired by the infinite persistence of Rotary International. They were leading this fight long before we joined it, and they've just kept moving forward."

She goes on to say, "They know going from 350,000 cases to 37 is amazing, but success is zero." Even though a handful of polio cases have been reported this year, there is a chance these are the last cases of polio in history. This June, Bill Gates will speak at the <u>Rotary International Convention</u> in Atlanta, Georgia, USA to discuss how we can — and will — end polio together.

Click here to Help us in the final push.



#### We Came...



#### We Helped...







#### We Saw...



We Will Triumph!



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## Seattle Fire Department Awards Luncheon



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## Bridges

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To celebrate Rotary Youth Service Month, we are highlighting a few of our



What's Up with District 5030 Youth Service

District 5030 Interact, Rotaract & Youth Exchange projects. Great work everyone!



Kentlake and Kentwood Interact Clubs sold 170 bags of coffee through "Coffee For A Cause", raising \$3,089 to help underwrite scholarships for students outside Guatemala City.



Rotary Youth Exchange & Interact collaborated together at the District Conference to share information and encourage participation in these two fabulous youth programs.



Bellevue College Rotaract - For their first bake sale of the year, Bellevue College Rotaract decided to give passersby the opportunity to choose among several organizations which one they'd like to benefit.



Eastside Rotaract - Along with donating food to Sophia's Way and park cleanups, Eastside Rotaract is looking forward to partnering with the Rotaract club of Barbados on a project involving a gift box exchange.



Seattle City Rotaract - In 2015, Seattle City Rotaract began a pilot program to build personal connections and bring resources to incarcerated youth at the King County Juvenile Detention Center. Every Monday, 2-3 Seattle City members spend 2 hours as mentors at the center, working one-on-one with youth to help them build a path to success.



Seattle University Rotaract's 2016 Spring Banquet raised proceeds that were donated Nicklesville (also known as Tent City), and Colombia Court Reading Club, an after-school activity where children are provided with homework and reading skills help.

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UW Rotaract - This year's fundraiser through Chipotle raised \$540 that was donated to their longstanding partner Hifadhi Africa, a Kenya-based nonprofit that provides access to education, water, and healthcare to pastoral and informal communities.



UW Bothell Rotaract - Members of the UW Bothell Rotaract volunteered with another Rotary district to run a youth leadership camp. They were able to create an agenda and recruit and train staff to work with 60 high school students from Canada and Washington.

## Highlights from the 2017 Rotary D5030 Business Meeting held April 22, 1917



**<u>RI Council on Legislation and Council on</u>** <u>**Resolutions:**</u> PDG Steve Lingenbrink has been elected to the next Council on Legislation. PDG Kathy Johnson was chosen as alternate. Filing deadline for COL is 6/30/17. Contact

Steve Lingenbrink for more information.

<u>Approval of District Project: Rotary First Harvest:</u> A resolution was presented by President Alex Shimizu from the Rotary Club of the University District to reinstate RFH as a project of the District. Renewal of RFH was unanimously approved.

**Approval of District Project: Music 4Life:** The resolution to reinstate M4L as a District project was presented by President Cathy Gibson of the Rotary Club of Seattle. Renewal of M4L was approved with one dissenting vote.

**District 5030 Policy Manual Amendment:** The Rotary Club of Lake Union Neighborhood presented a proposed change. They feel the current policy has a loophole which could allow discrimination by some grant recipients. It was decided to table the topic until it can be discussed by the clubs, before coming back at next year's Business Meeting.





The June issue of Bridges is marks the end of our Rotary year. What did you and your club do this year to make a difference in our community? We would love to publish them. Email <u>CarmaMcKay@gmail.com</u>



### Memories... District Conference 2017 in Portland



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