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MEET OUR NEW CLUB PRESIDENT

Welcome President Pat!



Assistant District Governor Ned Luce (L) congratulates President Pat Zane (R) upon her installation as our new club president for Rotary Year 2020. (Photos by Doug Schwarz)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Rotarians Make an Impact!



If you have been in Rotary for any length of time, you've heard the phrase "There is no <u>l</u> in Rotary only <u>we</u>"; however, there is an "I" in impact. That's what comes to mind when I think of Rotary. It all starts with the people who value service, those who want to live lives of impact.

From my perspective, PEOPLE OF IMPACT ARE:

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LETTER FROM BOB

Thank you for a Special Year!

The Rotary Club of Sequim, "A few people doing some great things in this community and having fun doing it!" In a very short period of time, I realized running this club by myself was not possible.



Every member stepped forward. I am proud of you and proud to have been your president. Thank you for making this a very special year.

Bob

FOLLOW-UP NEWS

Abby's Tricycle

By Cherry Bibler, P.T. Sequim School District

EDITOR'S NOTE: Abby Johnson received her special tricycle from our club in March 2019. For more information, please contact Doug Schwarz Chairman of our Adaptive Bike Program.

Abby has made wonderful and unexpected progress since receiving her new Rifton Tricycle from the Rotary. We expected that she would gain motor skills involved with pedaling and steering and she has certainly done that. What we didn't anticipate was the impact on

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Supporting Sequim's Young People!



GEORGE RODES RECEIVES \$1,288.85 CHECK TO RIFKIN BIKE FOR SON "NIKO'S" BIKE.

Pictured here (L-R) Club Bike Committee members Doug Schwarz, Jim Jones, surprised bike recipient George Rodes and President Bob! (Photo by Rochelle McHugh)

Club Awards Boys & Girls Club for Kids Trip to Olympia and for the Sequim Club

President Bob presents two checks to Boys & Girls Club Executive Director Mary Budke; \$400 for kids trip to state capitol; \$2,500 for club! (Schwarz Photo)



Club Awards SEF \$1,500 for Sequim Middle School Band

President Bob presents \$1,500 check to research Sequim Education Foundation President Construction Bridge (Ctr) who passes it along to Sequim Middle School Band Director is George Rodes! (Doug Schwarz photo)





Rotary Club of Sequim

Your neighbors who get things done!

Abby (Continued from page 1)



Cherry Bibler and Abby Johnson (Doug Schwarz photo)

meaningful to her. She was visibly excited and made every effort to communicate that to us in nonverbal ways. I quickly became one of her favorite people at school because of my involvement with the presentation. Abby started using her communication device to ask for the trike and to ask for me. We were very excited and knew this was a big opportunity for We started using the trike as a motivator and she learned that she needed to do her work first and then ride Now, she rides the trike at school 3 times a day after she has earned it. She uses her communication device to ask for it and to say hi to me. recently she has expanded her communication to ask for the trike in a sentence instead of just saying trike. She gradually expanding also her communication to ask for other items.

It is important to note that Abby uses her gifted tricycle at home. The one we use at school belongs to the school and does not go home with her. Abby has always used the tricycle at school. However, it wasn't until she received her own tricycle from Rotary that she developed a huge interest and motivation to use it.

As I write this, at 10 a.m., Abby is coming into the PT room to say hi and to ride the tricycle! Who would have guessed that the trike would open up such huge communication opportunities? We are thrilled and can't wait to impact more lives with the help of our wonderful Rotary Club of Seguim.



Thanks to President Bob for a Job Well Done!

Rochelle McHugh praised President Bob for his accomplishments and leadership throughout his year and graciously "roasted" him as she gave him humorous gifts not unlike those he presented as "Santa" at our Christmas Party. Assistant D.G. Ned Luce then recognized President Bob's achievements and the awards he received at DLTA. Then Bob stepped up one final time to say his hail and farewells.



OUTGOING PRESIDENT BOB & BOARD

Honors and Recognitions













STUDENT AWARDS

Students of the Month for April, **May and June**

Rotary Club of Sequim was pleased to recognize to three young people Student of the Month for Spring Quarter.

April's Student of the Month was Hope Glasser, a junior at Sequim High School.



Hope's parents are Greg and Kim. Hope is active in soccer, basketball, and track and field. She loves science and literature and was recognized for her hard work, good academics and overall good

citizenship. Her plans include perhaps a career in the dental field or as a teacher.

Ashley Rosales was recognized at the May Student of the Month. Ashley's dad



Stephen, mom Kim and Honda the dog who is being trained as a guide dog were present for her award. Ashley is the youngest graduating senior in Sequim High School's history. She plays tennis,

member of Honor Society and works with the Boys & Girls Club summer food program. Ashley is planning to attend the University of Washington and pursue Law.

June's Student of the Month was Alissa Lofstrom, a Sequim High Junior was



recognized for her participation in Interact, being a board member Habitat for for Humanity, good citizenship and playing volleyball. She works after school downtown retail store

and has a great interest in the environment. She was accompanied by her parents, Ken and Mary. Her future plans include perhaps working for the Peace Corps and studying marine biology and restoration ecology.

ROCHELLE McHUGH, PR 26 JUN

RECOGNITION

Sequim Chamber "Thank you" for Organizing Irrigation Festival Parade



Kurt Turner, Sequim YMCA Director and our Club's Irrigation Parade Chairman, receives two plaques from Sequim Chamber of Commerce: one for YMCA's sponsorship another for Chairing the Club's Parade Committee!

The Rotary Club of Sequim has organized and staged the annual Irrigation Festival Parade as a service to the Sequim-Dungeness Community since 1960. The parade has been a huge enjoyable club undertaking for the past 59 years

SUNDAY AUGUST 11TH

Noon to 4 PM **Boys & Girls Club** 400 W. Fir St. Sequim



51st Annual Charity Fundraiser

SALMON BAKE & BBO

Alder-Fired Wild Salmon or Special Sequim Recipe BBQ Pork Meal



Tickets \$18 Proceeds go to Sequim Charities! Avoid the ticket line! Buy from our Rotarians or facebook.com/sequimnoonrotary/ before event!

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People of Impact (From page 1)

- - Intentional they take initiative
- M Motivated
- P Passionate, Persistent, have a Strong Sense of Purpose
- A All-in, they actualize their goals
- C Caring & value Commitment, people of strong Character
- **T** Tenacious they see projects through to fruition

As we look toward the future of our club and it's impact in our community and throughout the world we will need to be intentional about membership growth, expanding our youth services outreach, our support of the Rotary Foundation and International Service. We will also be evaluating other fundraisers to replace the Duck Derby.

We can achieve these goals by implementing a strategic plan for growing our club, having Club in a Club Meetings, Fireside Chats and telling our Rotary story to others and inviting them to our Club. We'll form a new membership committee that meets regularly and utilizes District 5020 resources. We will mentor our new members so they will have an opportunity to learn more about Rotary.

A youth services committee will be formed to help expand our youth outreach. I was inspired by a visiting Rotarian from a club in Colorado when he described their thriving Youth Services Program in a club of 15 members. We will be proactive in obtaining Youth Protection Awareness training which can be done online at the District 5020 Website.

The Adaptive Bike Program is going to continue. There are funds set aside in the budget to grow that program and continue to improve the lives of those with special needs. Our entire club has

CONTINUED NEXT COLUMN

NEW 2019-2020 BOARD

Meet Our New Officers and Directors



(L-R) Club President Pat Zane, Youth Services Director Mary Budke, Secretary Dr. Vicky Blakesley, Past President/Treasurer Bob Macaulay, Club Service Director Rochelle McHugh, Foundation Chair Henry Jones, International Service Director Lang Hadley, (Not pictured here) President-Elect Ted Shanks, Community Service Director Kurt Turner, Public Image Chair Dick Hughes and Sergeant-at-Arms Don Sorensen. (Photo by Doug Schwarz)

shown such enthusiasm and excitement for this program and we have a great committee who are well organized and proactive.

These are ambitious goals and they can only be accomplished by all of us working together. You are "People of Impact" and it is my sincere honor to be able to serve all of you in the year ahead.

Thank you Past President Bob for your leadership over the last year! Thank you to 2019-2020 Board of Directors, Foundation Chair and Public Relations Chair for your commitment to serve on the Board and all our members for your "impact".

I look forward to the coming year with the great team we have in place.

Pat

President Pat Zane

ONLINE INDUCTION

President Elect Sailing the North Sea

Ted Shanks was installed as President-Elect while onboard Norwegian Cruise Line ship off the coast of Norway!

He was bright and shiny at 3:30 AM when he attended our club's Installation Dinner via Go-to-Meeting.





PEOPLE OF IMPACT

Rotary Announces US\$100 Million to Eradicate Polio

EVANSTON, III. (June 10, 2019) — Rotary is giving US\$100 million in grants to support the global effort to end polio, a vaccine-preventable disease that once paralyzed hundreds of thousands of children each year.

The funding comes as Rotary and its partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) address the final—and most pressing—challenges to ending poliovirus transmission, and as Nigeria approaches three years without any reported cases of wild poliovirus, bringing the Africa region closer to polio-free status.

"We have the wild poliovirus cornered in the smallest geographic area in history, and now there are just two countries that continue to report cases of the wild virus," said Michael K. McGovern, chair of Rotary's International PolioPlus Committee. "As we work with our partners to apply innovative new strategies to reach more children, and embrace lessons learned thus far, Rotary is doubling down on our commitment to end polio for good. I'm optimistic that the end of polio is within our grasp, but we must remain vigilant in rallying global political and financial support as we push towards a polio-free world."

While there were only 33 cases of wild poliovirus reported in 2018, the last mile of eradication has proven to be the most difficult. Barriers to eradication--like weak health systems, insecurity, and mobile and remote

populations--must be overcome. As long as a single child has polio, all children are at risk, which underscores the need for continued funding and commitment to eradication.

To support polio eradication efforts in endemic countries, Rotary is allocating half the funds it announced today to: Afghanistan (\$16.3 million), Nigeria (\$10.2 million), and Pakistan (\$25.2million). Additional funding will support efforts to keep vulnerable countries polio-free:

- Chad (\$102,395)
- Democratic Republic of the Congo (\$9.5 million)
- Ethiopia (\$2.6 million)
- Iraq (\$6 million)
- Kenya (\$6.3 million)
- Mali (\$1.2 million)
- Somalia (\$1.4 million)
- South Sudan (\$1.2 million)
- Syria (\$1.7 million)
- Yemen (\$2.1 million)

The World Health Organization (WHO) will receive \$1.3 million to conduct research, and will also receive support for surveillance activities in its Africa (\$10.9 million) and Eastern Mediterranean (\$4 million) Regions.

Rotary has committed to raising \$50 million a year to be matched 2-to-1 by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation,

amounting to \$150 million for polio eradication annually. Rotary contributed more than \$1.9 billion to fight the disease, including matching funds from the Gates Foundation, and countless volunteer hours launching its polio eradication program, PolioPlus, in 1985. In 1988, Rotary became a spearheading partner in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative with the World Health Organization, UNICEF, and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The Gates Foundation later joined. Since the initiative launched, the incidence of polio has plummeted by more than 99.9 percent, from about 350,000 cases in 1988 to 33 cases of wild poliovirus in 2018.

About Rotary

Rotary brings together a global network of volunteer leaders dedicated to tackling the world's most pressing humanitarian challenges. We connect 1.2 million members from more than 35,000 Rotary clubs in almost every country in the world. Their service improves lives both locally and internationally, from helping those in need in their own communities to working toward a polio-free world. Visit Rotary.org and endpolio.org for more about Rotary and its efforts to eradicate polio.

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