

## **Club Admin Committee**

**Jim Renfro, Chair**

### **Committee Meets Twice per Year**

The committee organizes and assigns each member to monthly teams prior to the new Rotary year which begins July 1 as well as assigning new members to a team as they are inducted. (Monthly Teams are responsible for setting up for each lunch meeting, finding programs for each meeting, and running the raffle at each meeting during their month) and supports team captains as needed. Club Admin also works closely with the Majestic Hotel sales department on lunches, changes in the clubs regular scheduling, etc. The committee is responsible for taking weekly lunch reservations, collecting lunch fees, collecting dues when paid in person, creating the weekly deposits and depositing into the bank. The committee is responsible for keeping track of lunch attendance as well as attendance for committee meeting's, attendance when club members volunteer for Rotary projects and work parties, and members meeting makeups then recording the information into Clubrunner,

## **Club Workforce Committee**

**Jim Poitras, Chair**

### **Committee Meets as Needed for Events and Work Parties**

Club Workforce recruits manpower as required to successfully complete various Rotary projects. Examples include Christmas bell ringing for the Salvation Army and Trail Work for the Centennial Project.

## **Community Service Committee**

**Melissa Turnage, Chair**

### **Committee Meets the Last Tuesday of Every Month at 5:30 pm @ Coconut Kenny's**

This committee organizes activities for club members to participate in activities that aim to improve the quality of life of Fidalgo Island residents and our surrounding communities. This includes funding needs of other organizations as well as participating in hands-on service projects. During the course of the year, the committee receives funding or volunteer requests from other entities to review. The committee additionally assesses potential community needs. In the past this brainstorming has resulted in newborn bags for Island Hospital patients, police and firefighters thank you packs, trauma comfort kits for kids and Graduation Gift Bags for Cap Sante High School graduates. Other examples of past support include: Bark in the Park, the Quick & Dirty Boat Building Contest (Waterfront Festival), the Fourth of July Parade, Kids R Best Fest, Movie in the Park, Salvation Army (SA) Food Boxes and Bell Ringing, and Winter Wonderland. This committee meets on an as-needed basis.

## **Eco Action Committee**

**Jackie Davison, Chair**

### **Committee Meets The First Wednesday of Every Month at 1:15 pm @ The Rockfish**

Protecting the Environment has become Rotary International's seventh area of focus. Members of this committee will secure speakers for luncheon programs, pursue strategic partnerships, and create

projects that promote environmental sustainability. This committee will also examine ideas and take actions to make our club and community more climate friendly. Committee members are encouraged to join the Environmental Sustainability Rotary Action Group (ESRAG) which offers a plethora of resources, technical assistance, and ongoing initiatives. Non-Rotarians may also join ESRAG for an annual fee of \$25.

### **Fellowship Fun Committee**

**Mary E. Staley, Committee Chair**

#### **Committee Meets the Second Wednesday of Every Month at 1:15 pm @ The Rockfish**

This Committee organizes social events for our club members and their families in order for them to become better acquainted. The calendar is full with a diverse array of activities from summer concerts at Seafarers Park, 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday socials, an annual scavenger hunt, our annual summer BBQ, our much anticipated themed “Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner” parties, Christmas Luncheon, Winterfest Holiday Party, and more! There’s something for everyone to enjoy! Have questions or any interest concerning this committee? Reach out to the committee chair for more information!

### **Foundation Committee**

**Ron Litzinger and Jeremy Graham, Co-Chairs**

#### **Committee Meets as Needed in a Combined Meeting with Morning Club**

The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International helps Rotary members to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace by improving health, providing quality education, improving the environment and alleviating poverty. At the local level, Rotarians are encouraged to give \$100 each year to the Rotary Foundation either as part of the Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY) initiative, or to give to Polio Plus.

All clubs’ EREY funds are pooled together, to be distributed to clubs who apply for District or International Grants, which help fund various club initiatives. Anacortes Rotary has applied for and received District Grants to help fund the Ace of Hearts Dog Park/Little League Field construction, the Storvic Park Spray Pad, the Disk Golf Course at Cap Sante Park, Centennial Trail improvements at Cap Sante Park, as well as funds for a water system in Copan, Honduras. When funds are pooled together, the clubs that receive the grants are able to increase the funds available for such projects two-fold! We can do so much more together than we can alone.

When the total of your donations (you may give in any increment) to the Foundation over time reaches \$1,000, you are awarded a Paul Harris Fellow award. Paul Harris was the founder of Rotary.

All funds donated to the Polio Plus initiative are designated to the on-going push to eradicate wild polio from the world – for good! We are down to just two wild cases this year – as we say, we are “this close.”

## **Fundraising Committee**

**Kasey Baker, Chair**

### **Committee Meeting Date Schedule Changes yearly with the New Chair**

This committee is responsible for two fundraising events per year that generate income for our club's charitable budget. The Anthony's Community Benefit Dinner is hosted in the spring. Anthony's closes its doors to the general public and allows the club to sell as many tickets for whatever cost as determined by the club. Anthony's donates all of the food, so we can tell our guests that 100% of their ticket proceeds go to our grant recipients. Typically, the funds generated by this event are earmarked for specific grant recipients selected by the Grants Committee (see below). The second event is a fall auction. The auctions raises funds for the club's general charitable giving but in addition, one or two "Raise the Paddle" specific recipients are funded during the auction through designated giving by the guests. Examples include the Anacortes School District Mental Health Program, The Anacortes American Legion, Anacortes School District's IMPACT Program, AVID Program and Anacortes Robotics. This committee has no set meeting schedule, meeting more often as events approach.

## **Giving Committee**

**Jack Darnton, Chair**

### **Committee Meets Once Yearly Date Determined by the Chair**

The Giving Committee's major function is running the annual charitable grant application process, which begins in January, and making recommendations to the Board on how to allocate the funds raised at the Anthony's Dinner. Committee members are tasked with reviewing applications online and formulating their personal grant priorities prior to the committee's only in-person in the spring when the grants are discussed and recommendations are made. Additionally, the Grants Committee makes recommendations to the Board for the Raise the Paddle recipient for the Fall Fundraiser, at times a year or two in advance.

In addition, the committee chair is responsible for maintaining a record of yearly charitable giving and dealing with funding requests that come in outside the grant application process.

## **International Committee**

**Rick Star, Chair**

### **Committee Meets the Third Tuesday of Every Month at 5 pm @ The Rockfish**

This committee is responsible for identifying, selecting and implementing suitable international projects that meet the club's international goals and budget. This involves research by committee members, discussion by the committee as a whole and often travel to visit and measure progress of the projects. Presently the Committee is involved in a multi-club alliance called the International Project Alliance (the IPA for short). As with EREY and grants, as part of the IPA, the member clubs are able to pool their resources, allowing them to have a far greater impact than they would alone. At

the present time, the club as part of the IPA is involved with villages in Honduras, bringing water to individual homes (improving the sanitation and quality of life), improving and building schools and bringing them restrooms, spear-heading the “adoption” of individual students by individual club members to cover the cost of their uniforms and books (the kids cannot attend school without a uniform and most of the parents are unable to afford them). This committee meets on an as-needed basis.

### **Membership Committee**

**Therese Rudzis, Chair**

#### **Committee Meets the Fourth Monday of Every Month at 5:30 pm @ Skyline Beach Club**

The Membership Committee meets once per month generally timing it to be just prior to the end of the month Board meeting. The role of this committee is to develop and implement an action plan for member development, and to attract, retain and engage members. This is an ongoing and evolving process. Part of this is to reach out to folks who the committee feels would be good members, but also to encourage the club membership to actively promote our club which will attract new members who are inspired to make a difference. The committee is also responsible for the onboarding process so new members feel they are welcome, engaged and are getting what they had hoped from the experience.

### **Parks and Recreation Committee**

**Jim Poitras, Chair**

#### **Committee Meeting Schedule is To Be Determined**

The Parks Committee’s goal is further enhancement and maintenance of Rotary Park and Cape Sante Park. The Committee also established a procedure for the City Parks Department and other eligible entities , including Anacortes Rotary to request funding for projects deemed appropriate for the enhancement, maintenance or development of parks projects around the community.

### **President’s Advisory Committee**

**Tim Garrison, Chair**

#### **Committee Meets Quarterly July, October, January, April on the Third Tuesday of the Month at 5:00 pm @ Coconut Kenny’s**

This committee provides counsel and support to the current President, President-Elect and Vice-President. This meeting is open to all Anacortes Rotary members to attend. This committee meets quarterly.

### **Public Relations Committee**

**Jim Renfro, Chair**

#### **Committee Meets Once per Year**

The Public Relations Committee is charged with communicating the Club's overall message and ongoing activities with the general public and members. It supports club leadership and other committees by collecting and crafting content that is published on Clubrunner, Facebook, Instagram, and local media including the Anacortes American and the Chamber of Commerce Bulletin

### **Vocational Service Committee**

**Jordan Hay, Chair**

#### **Committee Meets 3 times a year**

The Vocational Committee organizes the Rotary readers. A Rotary Reader adopts an elementary school class and reads to the students once a week during their Library Time. After reading, the Rotary Reader assists the students in selecting books to check out from the Library. Currently, we offer this program to 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Classes at Island View Elementary School. We are hoping to expand the program to include Mt. Erie Elementary School.

In addition to the Rotary Reader program, we have a Rotary Mentor program for 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders. This program focuses on one student and the primary objective is to assist the student in reading, comprehension, and retention skills so the student will test above the minimum grade level in reading. The Rotary Mentor works exclusively with one student, once a week for the entire school year.

Rotary Scholarships are awarded each year to a High School Senior which may be applied to a 4 year college program, a 2 year AA degree, or a trade school. The scholarship is based primarily on financial need but also considers academic performance, community volunteer involvement, and extra-curricular activities. We work with the AHS counselors to post the scholarship and identify which students they would advise to submit an application. We make the Scholarship applications to all who would like to be part of the scholarship review process and then meet to make our selection. We meet just after Spring Break to select our Scholarship winners.

We also work with the counselors to select "Student of the Month". The counselors identify 3 students who they believe have excelled in overcoming an adversity or made major growth in their academics, extra curricular activities, or personal achievement. We invite the students and the counselors to attend one of our lunch meetings 3 times a year.

In the past, we did sponsor a Job Shadow program for 8<sup>th</sup> graders. We are looking to re-invent that program with the Middle School Counselors.