

October 19, 2017 Meeting at Noon on Thursdays at the Red Lion Hotel Volume LXVII - No. 16

"Stories of Polio" with Tom Ross & the Wenatchee RI Foundation Committee

As Wenatchee Rotary gears up for World Polio Day, Tuesday, October 24, 2017, we will reflect on efforts to eliminate this vile disease from the globe. The history of the fight to end polio will be told through the personal stories of victims, volunteers and survivors. Four stories will take us from Syracuse, NY, in 1952 to Sao Paolo, Brazil in the 1970s to India in 2016 to Nigeria today. We will discover not only the dangers of the crippling affliction, but also the dangers of delivering vaccines to the three countries where polio still exists. Carmen Bossenbrock will be sharing her work and life as the valley's sole physical therapist during the outbreak of Polio

in Wenatchee in 1953. Afterwards, the committee would invite club members to share their stories and recollections of polio and its devastating impacts. Members are encouraged to invite guests.

Cherry Creek Radio will be helping us raise funds this year on Oct. 24, Polio Awareness Day. We will set up three donation sites, on Wenatchee Ave in front of Cherry Creek, on Chelan Street and Mission Street. We will need volunteers at each site to collect donations during the drive time that morning, 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. Rotarians will man the collection sites, while Cherry on-air talent will invite listeners to stop by and make donations. More details to follow.



NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM PRESIDENT DON.

Oktoberfest social at the Myers' house, 1030 Canyonside Rd., Monday 10/16. Come anytime after 6:00 and enjoy brats, beer and wine, and great Rotary conversation around a fire. Dress warmly (there will be indoor seating as well J). Bring your own favorite beer or wine to share if you want. Embroidered Wenatchee Rotary shirts from GPA Embroidery. All details to be confirmed, but "basically the deal is to go there (22 N. Wenatchee Ave.), select the shirt you want and pay for it. We'll have a group rate of \$33 for either a polo or long sleeve button down, available until Nov 1." More later.

Sign up at the next meeting for Rotary night at the WHS/Eastmont football game Oct. 27, to work at a concession stand. Arrive at 6 PM to get organized into shifts (let Don know if you will be late). Wear your Rotary gear proudly!

October is Economic and Community Development Month

THINK ABOUT IT! - Did you know that...

-We have an ongoing clean-water project in Haiti?

- -We had a workday at the Salvation Army Thrift store last Saturday?
- -President Don and Heidi are hosting an Oktoberfest social on Monday 10/16?
- -Your secretary is teaching a class at the District Fall Assembly?
- -District Conference in Prosser (5/17-19) early-bird discount ends 10/31?
- -We have one dedicated member who ensures a great weekly program?

See details inside, and more.





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The Week in Review -

Our meeting this week was a lively informative hour. We had many visitors some from the Board of Directors of the Wenatchee Valley Humane Shelter (WVHS), some family members of our Rotarians plus other neighbors and friends.

Dawn began by giving us a brief history of our humane shelter in this 50th anniversary year. Begun in 1967 by Gwyneth and Bruce Mitchell, the city pound was transformed into a more compassionate, Humane Society. The single employee has become 37. The vision for the future is to build a relationship with the community that fosters care for animals, furthers education, provides services and reduces the number of animal admissions.

In the newly remodeled and expanded building, the WVHS has also greatly expanded the services offered to the community, including:

-A focused initiative to stop unwanted pregnancies; A Food bank for low income pet owners; Club Pet, offering doggie day care, boarding, emergency and respite care; A program to take pets for visits to senior centers; New pet ID tags that track pets digitally; In-house clinic to facilitate medical care.

Community education topics include:

-Continuing need to spay and neuter pets; Teaching children about pet care; How landlords can work with pet owners.

She revealed that the number 1 reason for bringing a pet to the shelter is not being able to find a rental that will accept pets. Dawn explained that a current practice is to transfer animals between shelters after a time if they have not been "homed", thus increasing the number of successful adoptions. WVHS has also participated in transfers of animals from Texas at the time of the hurricane and has accepted rescue animals from dog-meat farms from South Korea. All these animals have been successfully "homed".

Dr. Crauer recently became the in house veterinarian at WVHS. He

comes to us from work in shelters around the country. Most recently he was at Kansas U. where he was assistant professor of Veterinary Medicine, teaching Shelter Medicine. He is uniquely qualified to help develop and implement WVHS medical programs and goals, some of which are:

-keeping and /or restoring the animals' health; encouraging spay and neuter programs (in the near future they hope to open a low cost voucher program) and controlling feral cat communities. He explained that fewer animals are admitted to shelters when animals are spayed or neutered and not just because there is reduced reproduction. After neutering, the animal's sex hormones are removed and that reduces disease risks and unwanted behaviors, helping reduce owner's frustration and increases pet retention; unruly animals often end up in shelters. Brad warmly praised Dawn, the WVHS board and the community for their vision and innovation concerning animal care. He said the support and enthusiasm exhibited here in the valley is what impressed him and that is why he decided to join the staff here. We can all be proud.

Announcements of Community Involvement Activities:

-Gary Provo reports a successful time sorting items for Salvation Army Thrift Store by a crew of 11 energetic club members. Dick Reed announced a sign-up to be Bell Ringers for Salvation Army between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Pete Van Well is championing Polio Awareness Day Tuesday October 24, 6-10 am at various places in town, Cherry Creek Radio blasting support for this event (hear Pete on the radio 10/23). Fundraising efforts will start at next week's meeting. Bring your donations; we want to collect the first \$1000 of our \$4000 goal. Susan Albert will soon be organizing crews for the Habitat for Humanity build with our interact kids.

FUN and GAMES Next Monday 10/16, 5-7pm come to our Club Oktoberfest at the home of Pres Don and Heidi, 1030 Canyonside, Wenatchee.October 27 come volunteer at the concession stand for the Wenatchee/E Wenatchee Football game. All area Rotarians involved. Ra Ra Ra ! Word of the week: Sternutat = Sneeze.

Respectfully submitted by Dee Curcio (with a few minor edits by Frank).





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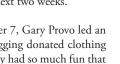
Weekly Programs. Our excellent weekly programs & speakers are coordinated by Loren Stach, the most under-appreciated member of our club! Don't miss a chance to thank him.

District Fall Assembly, Osoyoos, BC. October 27, 28. Secretary Frank is honored to be invited to lead a ClubRunner class to interested attendees. Early next year, a similar program is planned for our club meeting.

The Haiti Water Project (Haiti Safe Water Sunspring Action) - regular updates from PP Jim Russell will appear in the Appleseed. The Board approved up to \$5,000 to hire, train and supply a representative from the Hospital to keep the water treatment safe, operational and sustainable. A US contractor with 17 years experience with the hospital and Haiti is our voluntary lead for the project. This week, the contractor, manufacturer and our Haiti agent are making plans to examine the water treatment equipment and set up a training program in the next two weeks.

Salvation Army work day – On Saturday October 7, Gary Provo led an enthusiastic group of Rotarians in sorting and tagging donated clothing items for sale in the Thrift Store. It is rumored they had so much fun that Gary has some other events up his sleeve





GOAL \$4.000

\$480

END POLIO NOW

Last year, our goal for the PolioPlus/Club 60 was \$3000.00, equivalent to \$9,000 or 15,000 lives saved when taking into account the Gates Foundation 2 for 1 match (being extended for 3 more years). Our goal this year is increased to \$4,000 through the cups and other fundraisers, equivalent to 20,000 lives saved.

The amount raised to date = \$480 (\$1440 with match), or 2405 lives saved.

WENATCHEE ROTARY CALENDAR October 24th World Polio Day - Join the Rotary Activities **October 26th Meeting** Alatheia Riding Center - Nancy Grette. Executive Director **October 27th** Rotary Night at WHS Football (Versus Eastmont) **District Fall Assembly, Watermark Resort Osoyoos, BC (Overnight) November 2nd Meeting Classification Talk - Dorry Foster November 9th Meeting** Veteran's Day - Ford Barrett **November 16th Meeting Changed** Joining in All Club Tailgate Lunch on November 17th February 9-11 Zone Event **President's International Peace-Building Conference** Vancouver, BC

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Wenatchee North	@ Town Toyota Center	Wed. No
Wenatchee Sunrise	@ Red Lion	Tues. 7 au
Cashmere	@ Cashmere Presbyterian Church	Wed. No
Leavenworth	@ Kristall's	Fri. 11:45

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@ Shari's Restaurant @ Tsillian Cellars @ Quincy Senior Center Thurs. 7 am Tues. Noon Thur. Noon

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