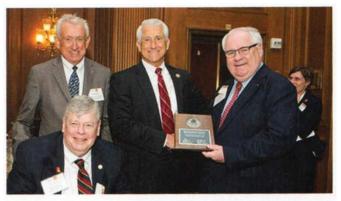


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Meeting at Noon on Thursdays at the Red Lion Hotel

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# "**Polio Plus**" with Dave Reichert



Rep. Dave Reichert (center), Polio Eradication Champion Award recipient, greets Steve Crane (front), Ralph Munro (left), and Michael K. McGovern. From "The Rotarian Magazine, September 2016 Last May, Rotary presented the Polio Eradication Champion Award to five U.S. lawmakers during an event at the Capitol in Washington D.C. One of those was Dave Reichert our representative here in Washington state. The legislators were instrumental in providing U.S. government funding for the polio eradication activities of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID). They also worked to influence their colleagues in Congress to support a polio-free world. The world's largest funder of polio eradication , the U.S. government, has contributed more than \$2.9 billion since the mid 1980's. To support the final push to end polio, Rotary and its partners are asking for \$233 million is U.S. funding in 2017. Rotary established the Polio Eradication Champion Award

in 1995 to recognize heads of state, health agency leaders and others who have made a significant contribution to polio eradication. Past recipients of the award include Chancellor Angela Merkel of Germany, Prime Minister David Cameron of the United Kingdom, United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon and 43 members of the U.S. Congress. We are honored to have him represent us and to speak to us about a topic dear to the hearts of all Rotarians. Be sure to come this week and get an update on where we are in this global fight to eradicate polio.

## October is Economic & Community Development Month

### THINK ABOUT IT!

In 1988 we had over 350,000 cases of polio worldwide, today we are down to just 26 last year. A 99.9 percent decrease! A lot of people and a lot funding has almost eradicated polio from the planet. We all played a part in making this happen, whether it was loose change donated weekly in cups, donations to our Rotary Foundation or just spreading the word and helping to make others more aware of the issue. We have done it together, over one million strong. But task is not completed. It is estimated that it will take another \$1.5 billion to complete the goal, so don't stop now! Let's get it done.







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### The Week in Review -

Debate between Brad Hawkins & Jon Wyss for District 12 State Senator. Moderated by Museum Director Sandy Cohen. Each candidate given 3 minutes each for an opening statement. Series of questions asked, 2 minutes to respond and then 2 minutes at end for a closing statement. No audience questions were allowed.

Jon Wyss is originally from Wyoming, married a lady from Brewster and has settled there. Brad grew up in Wenatchee & has lived here his whole life.

Question 1 What is the most important issue for the legislature to address this session.

Hawkins- K-12 education, taxes, budget, energy. But #1 is the economy, it has been growing in recent years & it will be important to keep it growing. Wyss- The economy is the #1 issue. All is driven by the budget & the priorities of the legislature. There are constitutional requirements & health, safety & human welfare being important.

Question 2 What will be your strategy & approach for regional collaboration.

Wyss- Look at the Wenatchee Valley Behavioral Health model. This is a great example of collaboration. We need to look at broad cross-sections of our population & see what works. The Carlton Complex Committee is a great example of collaboration & is now the national model being used.

Hawkins- Used the Eastmont School Board as a model of collaboration to solve a community wide issue. By working togather there isn't anything we can't solve.

Question 3- What are the greatest economic challenges in our region.

Hawkins- Our diverse economy is very helpful for us. Based on agriculture & including healthcare, education services, tourism. But this is also somewhat stymied by a housing shortage.

Wyss- The availability of a good labor pool is vital to our region. The minimum wage bill is problematic. We should have a regionalized wage system. Immigration reform is very important.

Question 4- How do we improve K-12 education.

Wyss- More investment in early learning, let teachers teach, too many forced unfunded mandates. The levy swap to give control to the state could have problems.

Hawkins- The state has provided \$2.9B more in education funding in the last 4 years with no tax increases. We need to be careful of the levy swap idea.

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#### WENATCHEE ROTARY CALENDAR

November 3rd Meeting Classification Talk - Steve Wright

November 10th Meeting Veteran's Day - Peggy Ludwick

November 17th Meeting Rotary Membership - Jim Adamson

November 24th - Thanksgiving *No Meeting* 

January 28 2017 Rotary Building Communities Auction 2017

April 27 -30, 2017 District Conference, Kelowna, B.C.

June 10 - 14, 2017

**Rotary International Convention, Atlanta, Georgia** 

Question 5- Is capitol funding outlays for arts a vital part of our budget. Hawkins- Art is creativity for driving powerful outcomes. It is very important.

Wyss- Investing in arts & music is critical. It is important for development in science & math. Why do we always cut arts & music first when we know how much it helps in brain development.

Final statement by each candidate.

Hawkins- Brad feels he is the best candidate because of his approach to legislative issues with an open mind & heart. There are lots of special interests to persuade you & Brad tries to stay away from these. He trieshard to represent all aspects of our district. Wyss- Jon feels he is a proven & effective leader that has the ability to think outside the box. He brings fresh thinking to problems. He has a diverse background as well as a collaborative background. He will serve by doing lots of listening.

Respectfully submitted, Marc Heminger, Chief executive cub reporter







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We have set a goal of saving 15,000 lives through our Club 60 donations this year. That is approximately \$3,000 that needs to be raised. Remember the Bill Gates Foundation is still matching our donations 2 for 1. All it takes is  $60^{\text{c}}$  a week, not even a half a cup of coffee, and you will save someone from the dibilitating effects of polio and perhaps their live. Bring your loose change each week or if you don't have any change bring dollars and place them in the cups on each table.



The yearlong celebration of The Rotary Foundation and 100 years of Doing Good in the World culminates at the Atlanta convention. Help us celebrate in the city

where it all began. The general sessions and breakout sessions offer countless ways to help you get the most from your Rotary membership and make your club stronger. In the House of Friendship, you'll find new ideas, learn best practices, and share project successes — it's where the Rotary world comes together! *Register Now for a great time in Atlanta and get the early registration discounts.* 

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The Rotary Foundation turns 100 this Rotary year. Dedicated and connected volunteers like you have contributed significantly to its longevity. Our goal for this special year is to work together to raise a record-breaking \$300 million so Rotarians can continue serving communities for another 100 years.

This year, publicize your district's successful grant projects through testimonials, videos, and photos. Spotlighting local projects illustrates the power of The Rotary Foundation and raises more funds for grants.

#### <u>THE 4-WAY TEST</u>

Of the things we think, say or do
1) Is it the **TRUTH**?
2) Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3) Will it build **GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4) Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?





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Wenatchee North	@ Town Toyota Center
Wenatchee Sunrise	@ Red Lion
Cashmere	@ Cashmere Presbyterian Church
Leavenworth	@ Kristall's

Wed. Noon Eas Tues. 7 am Lak Wed. Noon Qu Fri. 11:45 am

on East Wenatchee n Lake Chelan on Quincy

@ Shari's Restaurant@ Tsillian Cellars@ Quincy Senior Center

Thurs. 7 am Tues. Noon Thur. Noon

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