

District Digest



Welcome to the District Digest for January 29, 2021! Our goal is to share brief informational bits of interest to Rotarians in 5080 and links to where you can find more.

Who's ready?

We value our experiences inside our Rotary clubs, and some of us want to learn more about Rotary and contribute at the District level. Is that you? Are you trying to sort out where your talents might be most useful? Have a chat with our current Governor line, and let's get to know each other. We will help you find a spot perfect for you. E-mail DGN Linda Bauer at lindakaybauer@gmail.com to set up a 15-minute chat.

Share your talents by volunteering for the District

The District Services Committee is seeking volunteers to fill several positions and we ask that you offer up your talent and skill set and dedication. We promise it will result in personal growth.

Tech Team Chair and Members – In this time of unprecedented change in the way Rotary clubs operate, the District is seeking skilled and knowledgeable members who can support clubs as they change into hybrid clubs offering on-line as well as face-to-face sessions. In addition, the team will work with the District to provide virtual training sessions and meetings. It would be ideal to have a Chair and a representative from each of the Areas of the District to provide support. An excellent opportunity to draw on one's vocational attribute to serve the District. This is open to Rotarians or Rotaractors.

Translator Service Team – Are you fluent in a language other than English? Please consider submitting your name to be added to the Translator Service Team.

International Services – Brenda Balahura, Chair of this Committee is seeking members to serve as a resource for clubs embarking on international service projects.

Environmental Sustainability Action Group - Led by two knowledgeable and skilled Rotarians, David Savage and Leslie Waters. They are seeking 3 additional members for this team – an environmental scientist, a project planner, and an experienced grant writer.

Please respond to Sheila Hart, District Service Committee Chair at email: sheilahart@shaw.ca.

Want to learn more about the Rotary – Toastmasters Alliance

The Toastmaster Alliance Resource Group is charting its course and hopes to provide sessions for Interact Clubs as well for Rotarians and Rotaractors. Want to know more about

this initiative – Debbie Ford of Sandpoint Rotary will be doing a presentation at that club on Wednesday, February 10 at noon. Send her an email at dford@debbieforddvm.com and ask for a link for the meeting.

WhiskyDRAM Fellowship Chapter of WhiskeyDRAM International forming in D5080

Some Rotarians get an idea and then run with it. Such is the case with the WhiskyDRAM Fellowship Chapter that is being formed by Rotarians from throughout District 5080. Mel Dick of Sandpoint and Brenda Balahura of Castlegar are the newly organized Co-Chairs for this adventure. At an organizational meeting held on January 22, the group discovered that 2 Rotarians, Peter and Kathy Kalunian are actually Charter members of the International WhiskeyDram Fellowship of Rotarians. They have wanted to create a chapter in D5080 for some time. The D5080 Chapter hopes to recruit more members with a special interest in enjoying products from throughout our District and abroad. The hope is to hold at least 4 events annually and include Rotarians from throughout the District. If you are interested in being involved, please contact Clif Warren at email: clifw75@gmail.com. More information about the Fellowship can be found at: whiskeydram.org.

Rotary District 5080 and The Rotaract Club of the Palouse supports Malden/Pine City for the Holidays

PULLMAN, WA/ MOSCOW, ID — Rotary District 5080 and The Rotaract Club of the Palouse supported families impacted by the fires in Malden and Pine City with a clothing drive and gift card fundraiser.

"Our Rotaract Club is comprised of students from the University of Idaho and Washington State University as well as community members," said Rotaract Club President Katrina Barlass. "It is important for us to come together with Rotary and with our members to support these communities with our efforts."

In November, the club collected new and gently used clothing and was awarded two small grants through Rotary District 5080 partnerships to provide \$650 in gift cards to local businesses. Purchasing items from the list of needs on the Whitman County Sheriff's website, the group was able to take a carload of new and gently used items along with gift cards for groceries to the United Way of Whitman County for distribution.

The Rotaract Club of the Palouse is a youth-based Rotary Club, sponsored by the Rotary Clubs of Moscow Idaho and Pullman Washington. Rotary District 5080 is based in parts of Washington/Idaho and British Columbia B.C. Cash funds were collected through the Rotary District Community Service fund.



ROTARACT OF THE PALOUSE

Rotary-Sponsored Service Club

Rotary District 5080 Peacebuilding Conference



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Peacebuilding Conference

Today for Tomorrow

06 February 2021, 09:00—12:00 (Pacific)

Via ZOOM

Objectives and Agenda

- ♦ Open a conversation about the 8 Pillars of Positive Peace.
- ♦ Define steps to transform D5080 Clubs into Action-Oriented Peacebuilding Clubs.
- ♦ Set the stage to transform D5080 into a Peacebuilding District.



OPENING KEYNOTE

Patricia Shafer
Executive Director,
NewGen Peacebuilders,
Rotary Peace Activator



CLOSING KEYNOTE

Al Jubitz
Co-Founder, Rotary
Action Group for Peace



Register for the Conference at <https://tinyurl.com/D5080Peacebuilding>

Add text here

District 5080 Foundation Facts

- The new district statement about GRANT QUALIFICATION has been posted on the website: <https://district5080.org/sitepage/grants/qualification-criteria-for-foundation-grants> Before you submit any grant application, you need to read this material thoroughly.
- As of January 20...here are some very wonderful pieces of news about how GENEROUS our members have been this year:

- - We are 1 of only 3 Districts in our two zones (26 & 27) that has 100% of our clubs submitting a GOAL for the Annual Fund **YAHOO**
 - We are 1 of 5 in our Zone 27 (and 1 of 11 in the combined two zones) to be reporting a +ve status for our donations on Year-to-date **YAHOO**
 - We are below the average in the two zones in our average per capita donation to the Annual Fund (YTD) but we're above where we were last year's TD.
 - We have had 715 individual members donate at least \$1 to the Annual Fund YTD (but sadly that's 3rd lowest of the 30 districts).
 - We are the 3rd lowest in the combined 30 districts in our % of EREY donors, YTD
- We have had 2 new ARCH KLUMPF SOCIETY members this year **yahoo yahoo**
- **We are having a record year for TOTAL donations to The Rotary Foundation (all Funds combined) YAHOO**
- We still have many months to complete our work and we have much to be thankful for already.

Questions? Reach out to Allan W. Davis at 1advis2@gmail.com.



Adults & Teens - Sign Up for Your Next Interaction Event
The Interact Speaker Series
Don't Miss Hay Soe on February 10th!
Hear His Inspiring Story
Remember - It's Not What Happens to You
But How You Meet Life's Challenges that Counts
Open to ALL Utah High School Students AND Adult Rotarians
Register [HERE TODAY](#)- It's Free

Happy New Year All! Thank you to all for your patience as I transition to the role of Chair of the Public Image Committee, I am excited to serve.

My best,

Miranda Hamilton



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