

# District Digest



Welcome to the *District Digest* for September 21, 2020 - the end of summer and the beginning of fall! Our goal is to share brief informational bits of interest to Rotarians in 5080, and links to where you can find more.

If your club is doing something exciting you wish to share with others in the district, please send us a one or two sentence description and a link to more information. We will share as many as we can on our social media pages and here.

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Do you donate at least \$1000/year to the Rotary Foundation Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved global grant? Did you know you could be a member of the **Paul Harris Society**? Many of you will say, "I'm already a member" because you regularly make this generous donation, but if you didn't fill out the form you aren't on the 'official' list. Take a quick minute and fill out the form at:

[https://rotary.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_eCYMZ3u8qeCZALb](https://rotary.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eCYMZ3u8qeCZALb).

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Throughout 2020-21, Rotary will host a webinar series to explore diversity, equity, and inclusion. Registration will be announced eight weeks prior to each webinar and recordings will be posted here. To see the topics go [Here](#).

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**Are you a Club Secretary?** Have you seen the offerings on the Rotary Leadership Institute site? They are good and I hope you've looked, however we can go one better with our own ERIC REDEKER, D5080 Secretary presenting a one hour zoom call that is specific to our District! We hope you can attend! Bring your questions, meet your fellow officers and enjoy your year as club secretary.

Topic: D5080 Secretary Review and Connection

Time: **Sep 23, 2020 06:30 PM** Pacific Time (US and Canada)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81368052406>

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You may be interested in this **article on Covid-19** from Carl Orgren of the Colfax Rotary: <https://portal.clubrunner.ca/1804/Stories/announcements>

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Friday, October 23rd, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm, we will have the first of a series of leadership trainings for the officers in the 10 Interact Clubs in our district. Contact Wendy Lacroix at [w.lacroix63@gmail.com](mailto:w.lacroix63@gmail.com) or Vicky Broden at [victoria.broden@colsd.org](mailto:victoria.broden@colsd.org) for more information.

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District 5080 has a new Subcommittee chair for Club Awards. Did you know to be eligible for an award or RI Citation your club needs to have your goals entered in Rotary Club Central? If you have questions or want to know more about club awards contact, [elizabethcytra@gmail.com](mailto:elizabethcytra@gmail.com).

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Last November, the Rotary Club of Waneta-Trail Sunrise began talking about **adaptations to accommodate all their members' needs**. Many of the members wanted to stay involved, but life took them away from Trail. They began using Zoom long before COVID-19 came into our lives when member Viktor Cytra was using the platform to Zoom in from a 6-month cruise he was on (ironically cut short due to COVID). They began to explore becoming an e-club (Viktor had belonged to an e-club as well), but they also had members situated locally who really enjoyed their meetings. In the end, they have decided to become a hybrid club where members can be there in-person (when that resumes) and Zoom in. They will stay this way even after the threat of COVID recedes to acceptable levels. Viktor spearheaded their new designation, and one result was changing the name to the Rotary Club of Waneta Sunshine. Thanks to this great club for being innovators!

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We have been adding **virtual meeting resources** to the District web page, and plan to add more - including a speaker's bureau. Find them under "Meeting Resources" on the "Resources" page of [www.District5080.org](http://www.District5080.org)

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Check out the **Zone 26 and 27 Virtual Library** for a wealth of resources (including virtual fundraising). <https://zone2627.org/virtual-library/>

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Be sure to visit and "Like" our **District Facebook** page at <https://www.facebook.com/rotarydistrict5080/> and follow our **District Twitter** page <https://twitter.com/5080Rotary>. We are sharing many interesting RI, District, and Club stories on these pages.

*Also, do not just read the posts, like and share our posts and tweets with your friends so we can spread the word of what Rotary is doing in our communities and the world.*

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If you are one of the many who **do not use Facebook**, you can see some of the most recent posts on the front page of the district web page.

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**Help Wanted!** Are you interested in serving in a District 5080 role? We are seeking 5080 Rotarians for some committees this Rotary year and next. Watch here in every *Digest* and let [Linda Bauer](#) or [Lynn O'Connor](#) know about your interest or for more info. Some positions require previous experience and/or skill set, and all require review and approval by District leadership.

#### **Critical District Positions:**

- Membership Chair starting 2021-22, committee members
- New Club Development task force Chair and members
- Assistant Governor Area 8 starting 2021-24 (Deer Park, Spokane North, and Spokane Aurora Northwest)
- Assistant Governor Area 11, 2021-24 Bonners Ferry, ID, Creston Valley, and Creston, B.C. - this one has additional fun - an International Assistant Governor!)
- Service subcommittee chairs needed: Vocational Service and Resource, Technology Advisory Committee, Translation Services, Other Resources not elsewhere found.

#### **Other District Positions:**

- Resolution & Policy Review
- Speakers' Bureau Committee
- Public Image Committee: Twitter committee, Public Relations, Memorials, International Convention promotion

Technology Advisory Committee: The District is looking for a group of people to smooth the transition from our old world to our new world. Committee members should be knowledgeable about current media platforms; technology accessories, and the willingness

to advise District leaders and assist clubs in transitioning to a blended meeting format.

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Be sure to visit the [District 5080 Web Page](#) for more stories such as:

- [Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion](#)
- [Cranbrook Sunrise Nepal Project](#)
- [Castlegar Interact/Youth Exchange Scholarship](#)
- [Wildfire Victim Support](#)
- [Fund Raising in a Virtual Environment](#)

And more!

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