

Big Sky Rotary News



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Montana Rotary District 5390 Newsletter

May 2018

Joe Bear's Broadcasts

A Message from District Governor Joe McBride

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Dear Montana Rotarians,

Thank you for making the District Conference a success. Thanks for all your contributions.

The club displays were dazzling--the silent auction items were A-1---your participation in the Duck Race was priceless.

You are a generous group. I hope I don't miss any of those who were part of our feats. Dave Armstrong and Shannon Sullivan-Panisko for acting as MCs. Rick Moore, Sandy Wong and Britta Clarke for performing inspiring moments, 4-way test and pledge.

Kelly Atkinson and Chris Knapp for giving smashing speeches. Marshall Gingery for giving an informed presentation on the Peace Park and Assembly. Bob Miller, Sandy Wong, Lucy Smith, Lori Cummings and Kelly Atkinson for an energetic discussion on Membership.

All the Interactors led by Mary Lou Spath and Marilyn Morris for conducting an ideal Interact conference and a dandy Duck Race.

My fellow Butte Rotarians, Madeline Bracco-Taylor, Jennifer Pierce, and Mary Lou Spath for their assistance at the front desk, deft decorating and generally holding my hand. Bill Spath for his apt advice. Bob Bentley for his chauffeur and guide service for Kelly. Frankee Angel for playing the piano. Michelle Vanisko and Marie Mullarky for teaching us to play a tip-top trivia game. Rick Powers performed a worthy welcoming speech.

Patrick Plantenburg led a powerful workshop on "Public Image". Agnes Dinger did a riveting rendition of her experiences as an exchange student. Sue Carstens for presenting Foundation awards and for her work on grants.

Daryl Hansen not only introduced and instructed our Rotary Exchange Students, but also got all our attention in a workshop with Agnes, Kelly and students.

Rick Moore for accepting the role of District Governor in 2018-2019. She was the brains and brawn behind it. She deserves more than one gold star. Lurking in the background was Mike Mayott--while he did not attend his presence was felt.

Lastly, I need to give special kudos to my wife Libby--she has the patience of Job. Libby is a blue-chipper.

You all "MADE A DIFFERENCE"



*Joe McBride
District Governor
2017—2018
Rotary Club of Butte*

Rotary Club News

Wine & Beer Tasting Fundraiser Raises \$30,000 for Youth Projects

The Bozeman Noon Rotary Club held its 7th annual Wine & Beer Tasting Fundraiser April 27th, 2018, and smashed multiple records, including funds raised and attendance.

Over 300 attendees enjoyed an evening of wine and beer tasting, sampling 50 different wines from around the world, as well as beers from three different local micro-breweries. The "Instant Wine Cellar" raffle, wine cork-pull, silent auction, and corporate sponsorships all helped to raise funds for the club's local and international youth-focused projects.

Out of 1,500 "Instant Wine Cellar" raffle tickets sold, the grand prize winner was our very own District Governor Joe McBride. Joe promptly donated half of his winnings to the club, which will be raffled off one bottle at a time at club meetings throughout the year to raise additional funds for the club. Thank you, Joe!



Ty Robinson Scholarship Program

The Missoula Rotary Foundation has been raising funds for the Ty Robinson scholarship program. Ty, who died in March at the age of 102, was a lifelong Rotarian whose contributions to club and community were considerable.

The club's goal is to raise \$20,000 in scholarship funding, and Ty's law firm, Garlington, Lohn and Robinson, advanced that cause significantly this month with a donation of \$5000 check towards the program.

So far the Missoula Rotary Foundation has raised \$11,050 in this effort. If you wish to donate to this scholarship fund in memory of Ty Robinson, please contact Bob Minto at rminto@bigsky.net.

Bozeman Sunrise Club Helps Kids Fish

Bozeman's Sunrise Rotary Club held its Kids Fishing Day on Saturday, May 19 at the East Gallatin Recreation Area. The event is completely free.

Kids gathered at 9 a.m. to register and began fishing on Glen Lake by 10 a.m. Holiday Inn and Lehrkinds Coca-Cola provided a free lunch at noon and the kid returned to fishing till 2

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Luccock Park

It was Cinco de Mayo, 2018 and a rag tag group of Billings West Rotarians and their families, including dogs, arrived at Camp Luccock Park in the Paradise Valley. The day began with a tour of the aging camp that started in 1928 when the Methodist Church purchased some condemned cabins from the forest service. The dogs splashed happily in the creek, the children played on the playground and threw footballs in the field, no one noticed the age of the camp, and we all just enjoyed the beauty of the location.

After a delicious lunch, our group of Rotarians started the work of putting a new metal roof on one of the 1928 cabins. Seth took the leadership roll and climbed onto the top of the cabin and began directing the group. Roger with his youthful energy was up and down the ladder assisting the leader. Gwenna and Tyler started measuring and marking the metal sheets, while Mike showed us his arm muscles cutting the sheets of metal with old (probably 1929) tin snips. Later we found a saws all and Mike again demonstrated his muscle, not only cutting the metal but the sawhorse below it! Dave surprised us all hooking up a harness for Seth and tying nautical knots and telling stories of working in a Yacht club as a young man.

We were less than half done with the roof when the camp 4-wheeler arrived with a cooler of cold water and soda. One of the camp workers commented, "You Rotarians really get along well!" We were team "building," both with the roof and with our relationships. "Building better friendships," you might say. By the time we completed the roof we all knew more about our Rotary team and individual skills. We also knew more about, "service above self." Rotary has been lucky to use Camp Luccock Park for our Rotary Youth Leadership Academy and now for Rotary team building.



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Livingston Plans “Art on the Fly”

Livingston Rotary Club proudly announces its 3rd annual “Art on the Fly” event on Sunday, July 1. This event is a unique, Livingston approach to a “quick draw” fundraising event, and is a great way to kick off the 4th of July and Rodeo Roundup festivities!

Artists will be on site, creating one-of-a-kind pieces to be auctioned off at the end of the evening. While the artists finish their works, guests will have the opportunity to bid on a variety of silent auction items and enjoy fabulous food and drink while listening to live music. Art on the Fly starts at 6 p.m. and artists will finish painting their pieces by 7:30, when the live auction of those pieces commences. Art on the Fly is held on the 100 Block of North Main St. in beautiful downtown Livingston. Entrance to the outdoor event will be near Derek DeYoung’s Trout Confetti Fish.

All proceeds from Art on the Fly will be used to support the Livingston Rotary’s local and international programs. Livingston Rotary has partnered with the Global Midwife Education Foundation to provide sanitary bathrooms for rural villages in Bolivia. Locally, Rotary Club operates a charitable Children in Need fund, awards college scholarships to high school graduates in Park County, awards RYLA scholarships to teens entering their sophomore year in high school, provides dictionaries to 3rd graders in Park and Sweet Grass counties, helps maintain local parks and was instrumental in building the Water Spray Park at G St Park.

For ticket order forms, please visit www.livingstonrotaryclub.org, or email Rotary Club President Sarah Skofield: sarahskofield@gmail.com, or phone 406-223-3470.



I n t e r a c t C l u b N e w s

Corvallis Interact Group a Hit at District Conference

Marilyn Morris, of the Hamilton Rotary Club, and a group Corvallis High School Interact members made a very successful pitch at our recent district conference.

The Corvallis group is working hard to raise funds to get to Guatemala, where they will be working with Rotarians on service projects. The trip is being organized by two members of the Libby Rotary Club, George Gerrard and Mick Shea .



Both Marilyn and the students want to thank all of the Rotarians who were so generous at the conference. Between the raffle and the coffee sales and donations, the Guatemala team from Corvallis High School raised \$634.

"The four students who got to attend the conference were so pleased with their entire experience," Marilyn reported. "They got to meet other Interact members, witnessed a group of business leaders trying to make a difference, and got to chase ducks around!"

Corvallis Interact celebrated their successful year with a potluck dinner for their final meeting of the year. Interact students conducted most of the meeting, introducing officers and presenting a video of Interact activities for this past year.

Teacher **Alyce Leonardi** should be saluted for her guidance of Corvallis Interact, as well as Rotarians **Marilyn Morris** and **Doug McLaren** for assisting the group.

*June is
Rotary Fellowships Month*

D i s t r i c t H e a d l i n e

2018 SCRYE Summer Conference- Billings, MT

General Rotarian registration includes breakfast and lunch on Saturday. Rotarians from District 5390 should select the District 5390 registration option and select the meal(s) of their choice. Guests registration includes Saturday breakfast and guests have the option to join us for lunch when registering. Supper on both Friday and Saturday nights are on your own.

The event begins Friday, July 13th at 3:00 p.m. (MT) and will conclude Saturday evening.

When

Friday, July 13, 2018 7:30 AM - Saturday, July 14, 2018 8:30 PM

Where

Northern Hotel
19 Broadway, Billings, Montana 59101, USA

Dress Code

business casual to casual

Registration Deadline

Saturday, July 14, 2018

The District 5390 cost is only \$50 plus a la carte choices for meals.



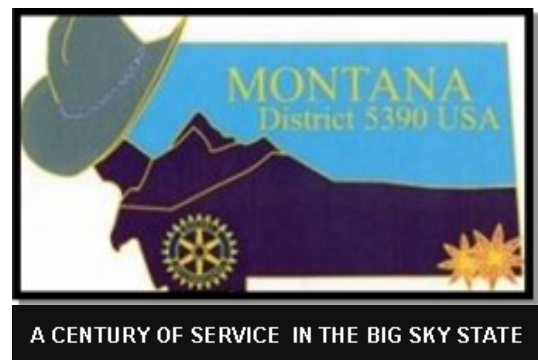
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of the things we think, say, or do:

Is it the Truth?
Is it Fair to all concerned?
Will it build Goodwill and better Friendship?
Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

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