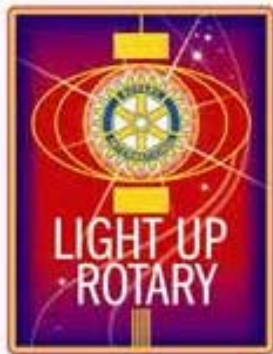


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ROY'S ROTARY

NOVEMBER IS ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH

The Rotary Foundation transforms your gifts into projects that change lives both in your community and around the world. As the charitable arm of Rotary, we tap into a global network of Rotarians who invest their time, money and expertise into the Rotary goals, such as Polio Eradication and promoting peace. Foundation grants empower Rotarians to help solve problems such as poverty, illiteracy and health issues with sustainable solutions that leave the world a better place.

District 5390 has made a decision to increase our foundation giving across the state and as I have stated in my club presentations, the easiest way to increase giving is by increasing membership - more people giving equals more founda-

tion giving. However we need to include education of our members in this plan, educate members about the various opportunities that are available to donate, educate them about the different vehicles that are at their disposal.

*Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member - when you give \$100 or more per year to the Annual Fund.

*Benefactor - when you include the Endowment Fund as a beneficiary in your estate plans or when you donate \$1,000 or more to the fund outright.

*Paul Harris Fellow - when you give \$1,000 or more to the Annual fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Foundation grant. You are recognized as a Multiple Paul Harris Fellow with each additional \$1,000.

*Paul Harris Society member - when you give \$1,000 or more annually to the Annual fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Foundation grant. (cont. p 6)



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FLATHEAD AREA RAISES \$30K+ FOR POLIO

Joe Pratt told his story of climbing Mount Everest to raise money for polio eradication using music, photos and videos from his trip. He donates 100% of all money received from this effort. Visits to the Rotary Clubs of Kalispell, Kalispell Daybreak, Evergreen, Bigfork and Columbia Falls yielded over \$30,000 thanks to the 2 to 1 match from the Gates Foundation. Well done Rotary Clubs of the Flathead Valley.



Special points of interest:

- DG in Montana magazine
- Blog Brief from YE Student
- Rotaract & Interact can be in District Directory

FOCUS ON THE ROTARY FOUNDATION . . .

(Provided by Dale Palmer, District Membership Chair, Rotary Club of Big Sky)

As Rotarians, we need to be aware of The Rotary Foundation. This is the charitable arm of Rotary International. Funded primarily by Rotarians, it makes grants possible for local community and international global projects. The mission of The Rotary Foundation is "To do Good in the World." Please consider

making a contribution to The Rotary Foundation each and every year. Your contributions accumulate and when the total reaches \$1000.00 you become a Paul Harris Fellow (PHF). The PHF is named after the founder of Rotary, Paul Harris. In Rotary, this is one of the highest recognitions you can receive.

Contributions to The Rotary

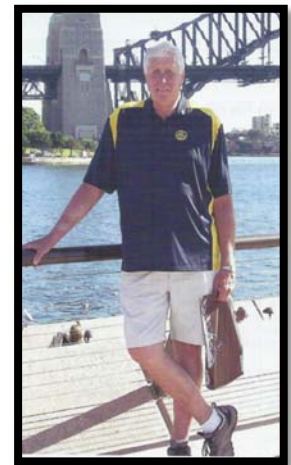
Foundation make substantial changes in the world through our combined efforts Like our effort to end polio around the globe or supporting our six areas of focus for grant work: Peace, Disease Prevention and Treatment, Water and Sanitation, Maternal and Child Health, Basic Education and Literacy, and Economic and Community Development. Ω

DG ROY HONORED IN 406 MAGAZINE

The 406 Woman.com magazine recently featured an article about District Governor Roy Beekman. While his role in Rotary was part of the article, the main focus was on the wide variety of service that Roy has provided to his community and surrounding areas.

Roy coached Youth, Pee Wee, Babe Ruth and Cal Ripkin

leagues for a number of years and is now the District Commissioner. Part of that job involved organizing six regional tournaments this year. He was also involved in the creation of the Kidsport facility which opened in 1999 with 10 baseball fields. It now contains 30 playing surfaces for a variety of sporting events. Roy still serves on the board for Kidsport. Ω



THIESSEN RECIEVES CLUB LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

On October 30th, the Rotary Club of Kalispell presented a Lifetime Achievement Award to one of their outstanding members, Jacob Willem (Joop) Thiessen. Joop's accomplishments are numerous and contributions in his professional life and service to Rotary are very noteworthy. He spoke at the meeting about the when he truly "became a Rotarian", and shared some of his personal feelings about "Service Above Self."

Joop was born (1928) and raised in the Netherlands, where he attended the University Of Utrecht School Of Medicine. In 1970, he was invited to come to the US to serve as Medical Director of Radiation Management. In 1987 he became Vice Chairman of the American/Japanese Radiation Effects Research Foundation in Hiroshima and Nagasaki. While in Japan, he joined the Rotary Club of Nagasaki South, and then in the US, the Rotary Club of Kalispell. He has served as club president, Assistant Governor and

Dean of the former District Leadership Academy.

Joop has always had a passion for local and International projects in Rotary and has been instrumental and involved in a number of projects conducted by the Rotary Club of Kalispell including the 2003 Wheelchairs for Peru; 2006 Safe Water for Pakistan; 2007 St. Raphael Centre (Grahamstown, SA) Support Vehicle; 2007-2008 Miracle Field Project; 2007-2009 Equipment and Transportation Relief for Brazilian districts; 2010 Haiti Earthquake Relief Project; 2011 Support of "Cambiando Vidas" Learning center, Chacala; 2012 Japan Earthquake and Tsunami Relief Project; and the 2012 Jabez Health Centre (near Grahamstown, SA) Support Vehicle.

In tribute to his service, Joop is excused from this point forward of all dues and expenses associated with membership. Thank you Joop for your "Service Above Self."

CLUB CLIPS

HELENA HOSTED 4 GEORGIANS AWARDS BANQUET

The Rotary Club of Helena hosted the city's 150th anniversary and the Four Georgians Awards at a dinner gala on November 14th. Local people were honored for their contributions to Helena and Rotary received a lot of publicity. This was a great example of a Rotary Day in Helena.

The club also handed out nearly 900 dictionaries to local 3rd graders in early November. This was the first year the club participated in the dictionary program. Coleen Smith handled the ordering and Rex Walsh was one of the Rotarians who helped to hand them out.

FINE IN GREAT FALLS

Fines have resurfaced at Great Falls weekly meetings. Members were getting lax in wearing their Rotary pins. Pin this so you don't forget if going to a meeting there.

BOZEMAN SUNRISE IN THE EVENING

Just can not seem to get up early enough to make the Sunrise meetings in Bozeman. Drop by the Satellite club on Tuesday evenings. They meet upstairs at the American Legion from 5:45 to 6:45 PM except the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

One of the Sunrise club's local projects is helping with Meals On Wheels. Rotarians pair up each week to help deliver meals around the community to those who need help with a good meal. .

BLOOD DRAWN IN WHITEHALL



The Rotary Club of Whitehall sponsors a quarterly blood drive in cooperation with the local VFW. United Blood Services brings a team over from Butte for each blood drive. PDG Erv Hedegaard coordinates the program with UBS. PDG Arlene Weber and club treasurer Marlene Sanborn staffed the check-in desk. Among Rotarians donating was Karen Burtch (seated in photo).

WORDS FROM REED, YE STUDENT

(Reed McElyea is one of our Youth Exchange students spending this school year abroad. The following is taken from a recent blog.)

The picture was taken on our hiking weekend in Touplitz. This was my first true experience to explore the Alps and I do not know if I have ever enjoyed hiking more than I did on this trip. Of course, I miss home but I have been



working on controlling my home sickness by reminding myself why I am here. The relationships

I have made are only growing which helps me settle in with my new surroundings. To get anywhere here means public transportation and a lot of

walking, and I must say my calves have never hurt as much as they do here. I have been keeping myself busy with different activities the school offers such as going to the theater with my class or doing tours of the museums. I have also joined a gym and have been looking into doing a self-defense class. I truly do love it here and will keep you up to date with what I have been exploring. Ω

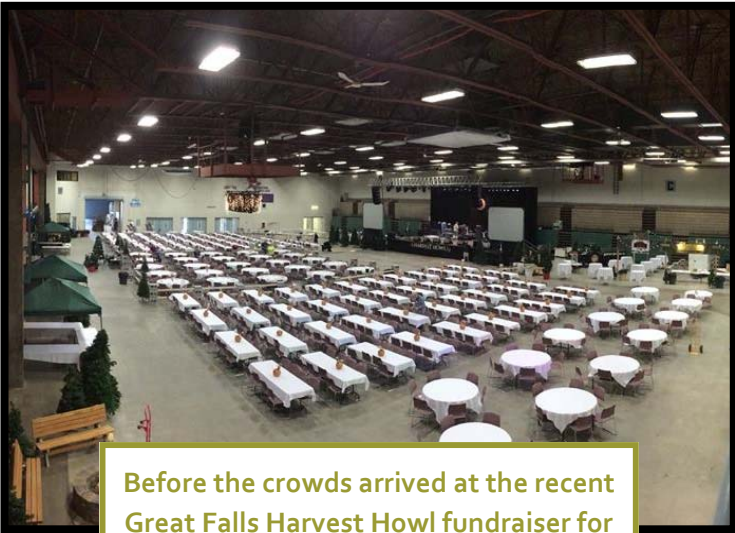
PETS - MARCH 6, 7, 8, 2015!



District leadership at a meeting in Whitehall on November 8th.



Bozeman Rotaractors raised \$1500 for the local warming shelter.



Before the crowds arrived at the recent Great Falls Harvest Howl fundraiser for Camp Rotary.



Hamilton Rotarians worked with the Corvallis Interact Club to bring in loads of food for the annual food drive.



OCTOBER CLUB MEMBERSHIP AND FOUNDATION GIVING

Foundation \$ is for APF giving only. Foundation \$ Given \$32,206.78—current amounts are through November 15.

Club (Oct- 55% of clubs reported ☺)	No. Members	% Attnd/# Mtng	Found. Goal	\$ Given APF
Anaconda	NR	NR	\$1200	
Bigfork	35	61 4	\$4500	
Big Sandy	19	NR	0	\$50
Big Sky	NR		\$2000	\$75
Billings	184	50 3	0	\$8557.68
Billings West	81	45 4	\$9500	\$25
Bozeman	79	53 4	\$10,475	\$1275
Bozeman Sunrise	NR		\$10600	\$2295
Butte	31	63 5	\$2200	\$1500
Columbia Falls	15	44 3	0	
Deer Lodge	NR		0	\$145
Dillon	16	82.5 5	\$1700	
Evergreen	14	89 4	\$1600	
Glendive	NR		0	\$500
Great Falls	96	54 4	\$5300	\$100
Hamilton	NR		\$2800	
Havre	NR		0	
Helena	69	48 5	\$4250	\$825
Helena Sunrise	14	67 4	0	\$100
Kalispell	115	73 5	\$14000	
Kalispell Daybreak	70	76 5	0	\$3600
Kootenai Valley (Libby/Troy)	36	41 4	\$4250	\$400
Laurel	NR		0	
Lewistown	33	49 4	0	\$100
Livingston	33	61 4	0	\$825
Malta	NR		0	
Manhattan	NR		0	\$100
Miles City	NR		\$1900	
Missoula	118	40 5	0	\$7184
Missoula Centennial	NR		\$2000	\$925
Missoula Sunrise	40	63 5	\$7150	\$150
Philipsburg	NR		0	
Polson	75	38 4	0	\$2500
Red Lodge	NR		0	\$100
Roundup	NR		0	
Townsend	54	59 2	0	
Twin Bridges	NR		\$500	\$400
Whitefish	57	50 4	\$8200	\$250
Whitehall	17	68 4	\$2125	\$225
White Sulphur Springs	NR		0	



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- *Bequest Society member - when you give \$10,000 or more via your estate plan. Society members receive recognition from Trustees of The Rotary Foundation.
- *Major Donor - when our cumulative donations reach \$10,000 or more. Recognition items commemorate giving at Levels 1-4 up to \$249,999.
- *Arch C. Klumph Society - when your cumulative giving reaches \$250,000, you will be invited to an induction ceremony at the RI headquarters in Evanston.
- Giving to The Rotary Foundation is easier now than ever with Rotary Direct - support the foundations efforts year round by making a recurring gift. You choose how much and how often you want to give - it's a simple and secure way to make a big impact. Online contributions can be made monthly, quarterly, or annually. You decide. If every Rotarian in the district contributed \$10 per month, this would amount to an increase in our foundation giving across the district by close to 65%. Think what even another \$5 per month would do, plus this is an easy way to become a Paul Harris Society member - \$83.33 per month.
- And the best news of all is this money comes back to the District in three years. We presently are spending over \$35,000 annually in District Grants and have that much each year for global grants. In fact our global grant pot has grown to over \$150,000, available to do good in the world. Just imagine what we could do with \$50,000 or \$60,000 in district grants yearly!
- The Rotary Foundation with its strong financial oversight, a stellar charity rating, and a unique funding model mean that the foundation makes the most of your contribution.
- Give and become part of Rotary's life changing work!

Roy Beekman

SEE YOU IN SAO PAULO?

Visit the district web site for a special travel package to Brazil for the 2015 RI Convention.

ROTARY BITS & PIECES

Want to learn more about Rotary? There is a lot of information at www.rotary.org in My Rotary. The **learning sessions** can help new members learn more about the organization, club officers learn additional items that will help with their roles, Or, you can learn by topics that include Membership, Fundraising, Interact, Rotaract, Grants, and more.

A Rotary **webinar** is scheduled for Wednesday, February 4, 2015 at 9:00 AM Montana time on Membership Matters. This is part

3 in a series of 5 sessions and will

focus on steps clubs can take to stay relevant and appeal to new and prospective members. If you have missed the previous webinars or can not make this one (registration is limited to the first 500 who sign up), you can listen to the recordings by signing in to My Rotary at rotary.org.

Did you know—Rotaract and Interact clubs can be listed on the District club directory! Contact web administrator Arlene Weber for information. Ω

