



The Whirl

ROTARY CLUB OF HOOD RIVER

Service Above Self

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From the President

The beginning of another Rotary year beckons. The last two years of being our Treasurer and President Elect have flown by and the duties of President are finally here. During the past few years I have attended a District Assembly, District Membership training, 2 District Conferences, Pre PETS, PETS (President Elect Training Seminar), completed the Leadership Development course and finally the Rotary International (RI) Convention recently in Birmingham, England. During this exposure to Rotary at all levels, I am constantly reminded of what a great club we have and how proud I am to be a member. Our new RI President, John Kenny from Scotland who you may have read about in the latest Rotarian issue, spoke at the closing ceremony in Birmingham and several of his points mirror my feelings about our club.

RI President Kenny said that RI will not start any new programs this year because there are many quality programs that need to be continued or finished. Our club is already involved in many quality programs and my aim is to improve and continue our current programs.

His priority for membership is quality, not quantity, focusing on bringing in the right people and retention. I hope to highlight mentoring and retention ideas at many of our meetings, quality is in the details and the small things we do can make a big impression.

“The future of Rotary is being decided every day, in every one of our clubs -- by every one of you,” Kenny said. “Every Rotarian adds fresh ideas and energies to their clubs and their districts. Each one of you can make important contributions and pass on to your successors stronger clubs, healthier communities, and a better world.”

RI President Kenny wanted to emphasize the second object of Rotary, High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian’s occupation as an opportunity to serve society. His comments suggested that when Rotarians embrace and display high ethical standards, we will attract new members who also have high ethical standards which will lead to better retention.



Paul Thompson reinstates a longtime club tradition presenting a handmade gavel to incoming President Chris.

For more on President Kenny, go to:

www.rotary.org/en/mediaandnews/therotarian/Pages/ridefault.aspx

My favorite Object of Rotary is the first one, The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service, and we have several opportunities for that soon. Our Club Golf Tourney at Hood River Golf & Country Club on July 23, hosted by Dave Waller, is always a fun event. Johnson Dunn welcomes help (and donations) for the American Cancer Society’s Relay for Life on July 18 and 19. Our Summer Picnic at Tollbridge Park is scheduled for Thursday, August 13, hosted by Les Henry and his faithful cadre. I want to thank all of you for

the work you will do and the work you have done to make our Rotary Club the best it can be. Cheers,

– Chris Strader

Fellowship Meetings

Bernard Trotebas & Alan Bell, Co-chairs

Please contact Bernard at 308-0299 or bearj@gorge.net with additional fellowship location suggestions.

7/8/09 5:30pm Craig Sabina's house in Rowena

Directions: East on I-84, Rowena Exit, left under the freeway, cross the tracks and left on Rowena River Road, third driveway on the right (About 500 feet. If you miss it you’ll be in the Park). All the way down on the right. Park on the grass on the right, before the two big Sequoia Trees. We’ll have beverages and apps on the deck on the River side of our humble abode!

July Meeting Schedule

- 7/2/09 Gorge Room
- 7/7/09 Board Meeting
- 7/8/09 Fellowship - Craig Sabina's House, 5pm
- 7/9/09 Gorge Room
- 7/16/09 Gorge Room
- 7/23/09 Golf Tournament, Hood River Golf
- 7/30/09 Gorge Room

Weekly Auction

Joe Laraway, Chair

July

7/2/09 Judy Dutcher
7/9/09 Ty Erickson
7/16/09 Pat Evenson-Brady
7/23/09 Golf Tournament
7/30/09 Bill Fashing

August

8/6/09 Dave Fenwick
8/13/09 Picnic
8/20/09 Steve Ford
8/27/09 Pete Fotheringham

Weekly Greeters

Dave Meriwether, Chair

July

7/2/09 Bob Francis & Scott Gaulke
7/9/09 Al Gosiak & Steve Grace
7/16/09 Tammy Hall & Janet Hamada
7/23/09 Golf Tournament
7/30/09 Les Henry & Gary Hidle

August

8/6/09 Chuck Hinman & Tom Jenkins
8/13/09 Picnic
8/20/09 John Kasberger & Scott Keillor
8/27/09 Bob Kramer & Bill Lake

Wine Raffle

Jeanne Sreenan, Chair

The Wine Raffle drawing will be at our Golf tournament, Sept 13th (need not be present to win) so we have all summer to sell. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. In order to assure a quality selection of Gorge Wines for the raffle, each member will be assessed \$25 for the purchase of the wines.

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Board Report

Ken Tatyrek, Secretary

On behalf of the Board, we would like to thank Chuck Hinman for a great and successful year.

Programs

Heidi Begeot, Chair

July

7/2/09 TBA
7/9/09 TBA
7/16/09 TBA
7/23/09 Golf Tournament
7/30/09 TBA

Please contact Heidi Begeot (heidibegeot@gmail.com) with suggestions for future speakers.

Prayer Schedule

Linda Streich, Chair

If you will be absent on your day to pray, please assume the responsibility to find a replacement.

July

7/2/09 Mitch Martin
7/9/09 Mike Caldwell
7/16/09 Ken Block
7/23/09 Sharon Mulford
7/30/09 Mike Moore

August

8/6/09 Cathryn Whitman
8/13/09 Fred Duckwall
8/20/09 Glenn Taylor
8/27/09 Frank Akin



Sandra Evens wins a Paul Harris Fellowship from the Good News Board.

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