



## **THE SPOKES SPEAK - GEARED TO SERVICE**

### **Rotary Club of the North Fork Valley**

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Meeting Thursdays at Noon in the Paonia Town Hall

District 5470

Club 1180

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**LAST MEETING:** November 3, 2016

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Bob Lario won the football pool.

The highway clean up took all of 40 minutes! Thanks to all who participated.

A slate of board and officer nominees will be presented to the club on 11/17. We still need a President Elect Nominee (PEN). Felix, our club secretary, wants to pass the baton. Step up to club leadership, folks.

Ashley Trego has reconsidered her club resignation. Welcome back, Ashley.

We should consider recruiting to our club the directors of various local organizations.

Casino night will be January 28, 2017 with a venue change, possibly to the Memorial Hall.

The club's facebook page is up. Put some posts on it.

The Parks will host a Christmas party on 12/15. (There will be a club meeting this day as well.)

There will be no meetings on 12/22 or 12/29.

Remember to feed the polio jar. Also, pay your dues!

**PROGRAM:** President Greg declared that a quorum (at least 12 members) existed and called the quarterly Club Assembly to order at 12:40 pm. There were several items of business. The club decided to participate in the Salvation Army Christmas Bell Ringing fund raiser. Ulli Lange will organize bell ringers. Let him know whether you would like to participate - 2 hours on a Saturday in December prior to Christmas. The club agreed to be gate keepers for the 8 PHS basketball home games - boys, girls, JV and varsity. Sign ups to participate will be done via the Internet. Alan Wells will organize this. President Greg proposed that the club increase member dues to establish a scholarship fund for potential members who cannot afford to join. After discussion, it was moved and seconded that the BOD develop a detailed proposal of how potential members would be selected for financial support and how long that support would last. The motion passed. There was a brief discussion of "branding". What is the club known for? We serve the youth of the valley through the dictionary program and scholarships. There was much more on the proposed agenda for this Assembly than there was time to discuss. President Greg suggested that we continue the discussion during a December meeting. Meeting adjourned at 1:10 pm

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL:** November is The Rotary Foundation Month. Help us celebrate the centennial of The Rotary Foundation (TRF). At the 1917 convention, outgoing Rotary President Arch Klumph proposed to set up an endowment "for the purpose of doing good in the world." In 1928, it was renamed The Rotary Foundation, and it became a distinct entity within Rotary International.

**In 1929, the Foundation made its first gift of \$500 to the International Society for Crippled Children. The organization, created by Rotarian Edgar F. “Daddy” Allen, later grew into Easter Seals.**

**When Rotary founder Paul Harris died in 1947, contributions began pouring in to Rotary International, and the Paul Harris Memorial Fund was created to build the Foundation.**

**1947: The Foundation established its first program, Fellowships for Advance Study, later known as Ambassadorial Scholarships.**

**1965-66: Three programs were launched: Group Study Exchange, Awards for Technical Training, and Grants for Activities in Keeping with the Objective of The Rotary Foundation, which was later called Matching Grants.**

**1978: Rotary introduced the Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grants. The first 3-H Grant funded a project to immunize 6 million Philippine children against polio.**

**1985: The PolioPlus program was launched to eradicate polio worldwide.**

**1987-88: The first peace forums were held, leading to Rotary Peace Fellowships.**

**2013: New district, global, and packaged grants enable Rotarians around the world to respond to the world’s greatest needs.**

**Since the first donation of \$26.50 in 1917, the Foundation has received contributions totaling more than \$1 billion.**

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

**November 10: Tom Backhus, former collegiate football coach**

**November 17: Bill Challis - the methodology, market and legal climate for growing hemp**

