



## **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:** August 27, 2015

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** President Marsha announced the upcoming Fall Forum, a one day district conference to be held on October 3 in Telluride. This is an opportunity to expand your Rotary vision beyond the club level.

Betsy has a number of potential speakers who were not available when she needed one. Sharon Phipps, who manages All Points Transit, would be particularly interesting. Contact her if you need a speaker soon.

Sarah announced the availability of the Mountain Harvest Festival Entertainment Guides. Please help yourself and come enjoy the festival, September 24 - 27.

Each year our club donates \$1000 to the Delta-Montrose Vocational Technical College to put toward scholarships for nursing or EMT students. We have received a thank you note from Acacia Ator, who is completing her LPN certificate.

Steve Dunkel, the Paonia United Methodist Church minister, paid us a second visit.

**PROGRAM:** Glenn Dahlgren introduced Timothy Helmer and Kelsey Stroud, juniors at Paonia HS and our RYLA students of this year. Timothy noted his interest in running cross country for PHS; Kelsey plays softball at Cedaredge HS.

They started with a big **THANK YOU** to the club for sending them to RYLA. About 100 youth participated from our district. Their only regret was the weekend should have been longer to allow them to talk more about leadership. They learned that leaders are great because of their passion, not because of their desire to be powerful. Leaders have the ability to empower others. Ethics is about having values and taking action based on them. Values, mission, vision - what you are, your short term goals, your long term goals. Service is a personal responsibility to others. What is success? It is a mind set. If you think you are successful, you are successful. "If it is to be, it is up to me." Happy people all have taken risks, though not necessarily big ones.



**In addition to discussions, they also participated in outdoor games which lead to team building. These included orienteering, and navigating both low and high rope courses, which depended on all working together to be successful.**

**Again, a tremendous thank you to the club. It was a wonderful weekend. They hope we send 2 more young people next year. [After such a glowing report, how could we not keep sending students to RYLA? - Ed]**

**PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS - Just last month, our club's Board of Directors decided to donate \$19.50 for each member to The Rotary Foundation. These funds will start you on the road to becoming a Paul Harris Fellow, or continue you on the road to becoming a Multiple Paul Harris Fellow. Once your account reaches \$1000, you will become a Paul Harris Fellow. For each \$1000 after that, you will be recognized as a Multiple Paul Harris Fellow. Every time you donate to TRF's Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Foundation grant, you are building up points toward a PHF. Donors receive one Foundation recognition point for every dollar contributed. Some of us who have been in Rotary for a while and have been donating regularly to TRF, have accumulated a number of points. They may wish to encourage other club members to start donating regularly as well, by pledging some of their points to other members, perhaps as a match. Randy will be able to tell you how many points you have. If you wish to donate 100 points or more to another member, see Kate about making that transfer.**

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

**September 3 - Marsha Grant, District Governor, Bob Delevan.**

**September 10 - Bob Lario**

**September 17 - Ulli Lange**

**September 24 - Joy Kuhlman**

**[Program directors, please let me know who your program will be. Thanks. - Ed]**

