





THE SPOKES SPEAK - GEARED TO SERVICE

Rotary Club of the North Fork Valley

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WEB SITES: www.rotary.org www.rotary5470.org www.paoniarotary.org

Meeting Thursdays at Noon in the Paonia Town Hall

District 5470

Club 1180 - Chartered 12/20/22

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LAST MEETING: July 25, 2019

President Coombe Presided.

Visiting Rotarians:

Asst. Gov. Dave Frank

Cathy Wood, wife of David A. Wood, speaker today

Key Guest: No key guest today (Ed Bliss).

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

• Karri: Looking for someone to take over the bulletin.

Program:

David A. Wood: District 5470 Governor 2019-2020

We need to talk about Polio Plus. This is the #1 priority for RI. We must keep talking about it because of what is going on in the news—the uptick in Polio cases in Pakistan and Afghanistan. Rotary is having trouble getting workers into the areas. Workers and Rotary members have been killed.

Every year the RI president selects a theme. This year the theme is "Rotary Connects the World" which really tells the story of what Rotary does and how we do it. The Strategic priority is to "grow Rotary". Dave wants all the clubs to increase membership by 1 person per club around the world (35,000 people). RCNFV may have to increase membership by 2 or 3 since some clubs will be losing members or clubs closing. As part of that priority, the district governors were asked to select their own corresponding theme for the district. Ours is "Rotary Today and Tomorrow". Where is club now in the years 2019 and 2020?

Club evaluation of Strengths and Weaknesses using survey, health check, etc.

Preparing for the Future: Know where you want to be

- Establish Realistic Goals
- Develop a plan with a time line
- Track progress
- Accountability
- Continuity

It's okay to recruit members for other clubs (Barb and Mike sponsoring members in other countries).

Essentials Elements: Membership: Recruitment-->Attraction

Retention-->Engagement Public Image → Brand

Does your community know about Rotary?

Start with Why

- Why does Rotary continue to thrive after 114 years
- Why is there a Rotary club in your community
- Why do people join Rotary
- Why do members stay in the club

Kevin Parks was given a token for being the longest serving member of Paonia Rotary. (Ulli has been in Rotary longest, but in various other clubs)

The Rotary Foundation:

Distinguishes Rotary

Consistently receives the highest rating from Charity Navigator

Top ranked against others in the same category

District Grants

Give back to community

Helps improve a Club Brand

Why have a Rotary Club in your Community? Lives are changed by Rotary:

Dictionaries

Scholarships

Student Leaders

Playgrounds

Parks

Ball fields

3 essential elements of a successful Rotary club. All 3 elements are important to having a successful club. Brand → Membership → Foundation

Tell Your Rotary Club Story

Core Values:

Fellowship – extends to all Rotarians in the District and around the world.

Leadership – extends down to youth programs to build future leaders and future Rotarians.

Diversity - Club should look like community. Requires inclusion as well as diversity.

Integrity – "The Four Way Test"

Service – 4.5 million service hours contributed by Rotarians last year. (You can enter service hours on

RI web site).

New Vision Statement for Rotary: TOGETHER we see a world where PEOPLE unite and take action to CREATE lasting CHANGE across the globe in our communities and in ourselves Plan to fulfill vision:

- Increase our impact
- Expand our reach
- Enhance participant engagement

District 5470 Annual Conference – Oct 10-13, 2019 at Mt. Princeton Hot Springs Resort, Nathrop Colorado – flyer passed out with details. Must register by August 11 to be guaranteed of a room. There will be a service project Friday afternoon. Go to www.Rotary5470.org. Use code word: Rotary or call 719-395-2447.

Rotary International Convention June 6-10, 2020 in Honolulu, Hawaii. Expected to be well attended. www.riconventions.org.

Q&A

How do you plan to divide up district grant funds this year. Vocational, Ambassadorial Fellow? A: Ambassadorial fund come out of Global Grant. District grants depend on what grants are requested by the various clubs. \$5000 max/project (Matched by clubs). \$104K designated for use in the district.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

| Date | Speaker | Program | Member |
|------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| 8/1/2019 | Melissa Palmer - DCMH | End of Life Options law | Bain Weinberger |
| 8/8/2019 | RYLA Students | RYLA | Glenn Dahlgren |
| 8/15/2019 | | | Bill Bishop |
| 8/22/2019 | | | Sarah Bishop |
| 8/29/2019 | | Fifth Thursday | |
| 9/5/2019 | | | Ed Bliss |
| 9/12/2019 | | | Pam Bliss |
| 9/19/2019 | | | Randy Campbell |
| 9/26/2019 | | | John Coombe |
| 10/3/2019 | | Business meeting | |
| 10/10/2019 | | | Felix Belmont |
| 10/17/2019 | | | Marsha Grant |
| 10/24/2019 | | | Barb Heck |
| 10/31/2019 | | | Fifth Thursday |
| 11/7/2019 | | | Mike Heck |
| 11/14/2019 | | | Ulli Lange |
| 11/21/2019 | | | Bob Lario |
| 11/28/2019 | | no meeting | |
| 12/5/2019 | | | Betsy Marston |
| 12/12/2019 | | | Jackie Parks |
| 12/19/2019 | | | Kevin Parks |
| 1/2/2019 | | | Karri Polson |





