



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 - Chartered 12/20/22

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Guest Editor: Bain Weinberger

LAST MEETING: March 5, 2020

President Coombe presided.

Visiting Rotarians: Dave Frank: Assistant Governor – Area 12

Mark Dreher: President Elect – Montrose

Key Guest: No key guest

(Annette now has the key).

Other Guests: John Zachman (3rd visit)

Matt Delaney

Nikoya Schevené

Aiya Schwartz

Moni Slater

Rosalind

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- President Coombe presented Super Bowl Pool winner Bob Lario with his winnings, a check for \$250.
- John Coombe made a case for Rotary support for the local organization Families Plus. They provide support and mentors for kids and families in need. There are currently 80 kids in the program, and the organization has been operating for 20 years. Fundraiser coming up in May. Requested a \$1,500 donation from Rotary. The Board will take up the request, and possibly involve other Delta County Rotary Clubs.
- Scholarship Dinner, Wednesday June 10 at the Midway Schoolhouse. More details to follow.
- The Montrose Rotary Club will be celebrating 100th anniversary April 1 next year. Surrounding clubs will be invited for a celebration of Rotary and the history of Rotary in our valley.
- Due to the winter flu and rising concerns with the COVID-19 virus, it was suggested that the traditional handshaking prior to the meeting be suspended temporarily.

2020-2021 Board Nominations

The Club is past due in identifying Board members for the coming year. Those willing to serve this coming term should identify themselves. And a President Elect will also need to be designated.

PROGRAM: Kids Pasta Project

Since Pam is in Jamaica, President Coombe introduced today's speaker, Moni Slater, to talk about the Kids Pasta Project.



Ms. Slater brought three team managers Matt, Aiya and Nikoya, all of whom had been involved with KPP for several years. Each of the three kids spoke about what they had learned and gained from their involvement with KPP. KPP Parent Rosalind then spoke about her involvement and how it helps her kids and the others involved develop important life skills while helping out in the community. Finally, Ms. Slater gave some history and accomplishments of the organization over the last 11 years. There have been over 250 volunteers and 232 fundraising dinners have been served, resulting in \$110,000 being generated for local non-profit organizations. KPP is now working on expanding into Gunnison, Ridgeway and Steamboat Springs.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Date	Speaker	Program	Member
3/12/20			Randy Campbell
3/19/20			Annette Choszczyk
3/26/20			Marsha Grant
4/2/20	Elyse Ackerman-Casselberry	Delta County planning and economic development	Glenn Dahlgren
4/9/20			John Coombe
4/16/20			Barb Heck
4/23/20			Mike Heck
4/30/20		Fifth Thursday	
5/7/20			Ulli Lange
5/14/20			Bob Lario
5/21/20			Norm Lewark
5/28/20			Nick Lypps
6/4/19			Betsy Marston
6/11/19			
6/18/19			Jackie Parks
6/25/19		New Officers	
7/2/19			Kevin Parks
7/9/19			James Schott
7/23/19			Peggy Szvetecz
7/30/19		Fifth Thursday	Coombes' House

