



## **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

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**LAST MEETING: May 7, 2020 (Virtual Meeting held via Zoom)**

President Coombe presided.

Visiting Rotarians: none

Other Guests: John Zachman (pending member)

Ben Lehman (former member, joining meeting from Ecuador)

Key Guest: No key guest

(Annette now has the key).

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- We had 48% turnout for the Zoom meeting today. Last time it was 72%.
- Scholarship Committee met and have a total of 13 applications, evenly divided between Paonia and Hotchkiss. Three students from each school have been interviewed, and all were “fantastic”. Although there was only enough money for four scholarships, money was raised among the Scholarship Committee and today’s meeting participants to fund a fifth scholarship. The sixth student, while also a great candidate, did not seem to have as great a need.
- Suggested the Club find a way to honor Felix for all the years he has put into the Scholarship Committee. Naming a scholarship after him was suggested.
- Some members of Rotary are donating their \$1,200 Stimulus Checks to their respective Clubs.
- Randy and Pam, as co-presidents beginning in July, will be calling each member to discuss why they are a Rotarian, what would you like to see changed, what fundraising activities do you like to participate in, etc., with the goal of discovering what members’ priorities are as regards Rotary.

**PROGRAM:** No program today.

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

- John Zachman’s induction ceremony can probably take place at next week’s meeting.

#### **MEETING PROGRAMS:**

- Annette may be the speaker soon, discussing her work with hospice.
- The advent of virtual meetings has allowed some clubs to invite speakers who are not local. One club had RI President-elect Holger Knaack speak at their meeting.

- Suggested that it would be informative to have someone from the county hospital or health department address the club about the COVID-19 cases in the county and where they are located. Jean Ceriani, who is a member of the Delta County Memorial Hospital Board of Directors, has offered to speak to the club.
- Ben offered to speak about his adventures in South America, with video.

