

Calendar

- Club Meeting*
February 21, Noon
Operation Rebuild Hope
Speaker: Patrick Wright
- Auction Committee Meeting*
February 21, 5:15 pm
Marshfield Bargain House
- Club Meeting*
February 28, Noon
American Red Cross
Speaker: Carisa Hettich
- March 3rd*
First Friday Wine Walk
Coos Bay Visitor Center
- Club Meeting*
March 7, Noon
Coos Bay North Bend Waterbd
- Board Meeting*
March 16, Noon, Benetti's

President's Message February 21, 2017



Are we achieving our mission statement? Are we Leading? Are we Enriching our Communities? A bigger question "Are we making the world a better place" for ourselves , our families, and all life on the planet? As Rotarians, I believe each of us is doing their best! Yours in Rotary Service, Dane Smith

Today's Program



Operation Rebuild Hope is an organization dedicated to improving the lives of veterans through large and small projects. The work, whether it is building necessary structures in some of the poorest countries of the world or

mowing a lawn, is done by veterans. (Photo Courtesy: Operation Rebuild Hope Facebook)

Auction Fundraiser Planning

Bring something to the meeting to stuff in the Pinata that will be auctioned at our April fundraiser. Great items includes cash, candy, lottery tickets, gift cards, certificates for products or services. Also, organizers are collecting wine for the "Rotary Wine Cellar" at the weekly meeting. Tickets are \$50 each, or purchase a table for a reduce price. The "Seis de Mayo" Auction is May 6th.

Shots for Tots Update

Coos Bay-North Bend Rotarians assisted Coos Health and Wellness with providing immunizations to local children. The effort was conducted to prevent exclusion in public schools or daycare. 29 children were seen. 54 shots were provided. (continued on Page #2)



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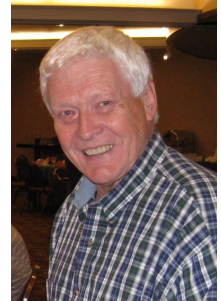
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(Shots for Tots cont. from pg #1) The program is funded through district and local club grants. It is part of Rotary International's ongoing effort to prevent disease.



News from The Board of Directors

Secretary Tom Bennett reports several actions taken at Rotary Board meeting on February 16th. Corey Fhuere, Superintendent at Shutter Creek was proposed for membership and was approved unanimously by the Board. Our Club will support the upcoming Four Way Test public speaking contest with a \$75 contribution to District 5110. The Shelter Box Project, which our Club supported last year, was approved for \$1000 again this year. See more Board actions below on the Festival of Sale and Buddy Benches.



The **2017 Festival of Sail** will take place June 2nd - 4th at the Mill Casino Hotel. At the board meeting last week, members approved a \$5000 sponsorship of the event citing. The matter was presented to the board by Club Member Tom Leahy who is the local liaison for the event. The FOS is one of only 4 happening on the west coast. It will be the largest event in the region's history featuring ship tours, day sails,

educational programming, food and beverage, entertainment and fun for the entire family! (Photo credit: Coos Bay Boat Building Center).



A local project called **Buddy Benches** was supported by the club. Buddy Benches are used in elementary schools to help combat loneliness and foster friendships on playgrounds. The Club has allocated \$320 for materials and has partnered with the Boat Building Center to construct the benches. The first Buddy Benches will be placed in two Coos Bay Elementary Schools. North Bend School District will wait to participate depending on the program's success.

Upcoming Events:

- District Training Assembly, April 8, Cottage Grove
- Prefontaine Rotary Invitational Track & Field, April 15.
- Rotary Auction: Seis de Mayo, May 6, Mill Casino
- District Conference, May 18-21, Albany (Stipend may be available for Attendees)

