

Calendar of Events

Club Meeting – Today at noon

Sawblade Room

Program: Introduction of Board Members

Wine Walk – July 5

Club Meeting – July 9

Program: Rotary International Convention Review with Ulrich Lau and Eva Shimotakahara

Board Meeting – July 11

Quarterly Grants Meeting – July 13

Club Meeting – July 16

Program: Kevin Bogatin
North Bend School Superintendent



President's Message:

Rotarians and Guests:

Welcome to the 98th year of the Coos Bay-North Bend Rotary Club.

It is my honor to follow in the footsteps of the 97 others who were previous Presidents of this club. My sponsor was the late Kathy Rosencrantz, an exemplary Rotarian and a previous President of this club. When I joined Rotary in 2011, the Bus Jam, started in 2003 by Past President Stephanie

Kilmer immediately sparked my interest. I devoted and still devote my time and my energy to being one of the many volunteers who help with that incredible project. When Patty Scott asked me to be Co- Chair of the Membership Committee in 2015, I became even more involved.

I graduated from St. Francis Xavier University in Antigonish, Nova Scotia with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing and a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology. My experience in the medical profession has been my impetus to be involved in activities and organizations that promote health. That has included serving as the President of the local chapter of the American Cancer Society (1994-1997) , Chairperson of the 1st & 2nd Coos/Curry Relay for Life

(1995 &1996), Chairperson of the Relay for Life Cancer Survivors Celebration (1997), establishing and directing a free medical clinic with my husband, Dr. Steven Shimotakahara (also a Rotarian) at North Bend United Methodist Church for 14 years, serving as President of the Oregon Medical Association Alliance (2009-2010) and serving with my husband on a medical- surgical team in Guatemala (2013). For the past 5 years, I have been a member of the Bay Area Hospital Foundation committee.

I have seen so many positive changes in our community since I moved here in 1993. Much of that positive change can be attributed directly to the projects done by this club and the previous two local Rotary clubs. We have been extremely fortunate that those two clubs joined our club a couple of years ago and brought their projects with them. All of our members are involved, passionate and committed volunteers who strive constantly to put service above self. They consistently devote their time, talents and energy to make our community and the world a better place in which to live.

We currently have a few international projects plus over 24 projects/ programs locally in which most of you as Rotarians participate in one way or another. Some of the **new** activities and plans for this coming year include a Polio Awareness Day, the revision of our Bylaws, a district driven 5 year Visioning /Strategic

Planning club activity, the hosting of an exchange student from Spain, a Shelter Box project, a Rotaract club for those in the 18-30 age group, and a project to reduce the number of disposable plastic bottles polluting our oceans. I'm looking forward to working with all of you and getting to know everyone over the next year. Thank you for choosing me to be the President of this vibrant club.

Sincerely,
Eva Shimotakahara

From last week's meeting: Tom Bennet, Ed Meyer, and Eva Shimotakahara addressed the club to recognize the accomplishments of the past year and some goals for the next. First recognition for a Paul Harris +6 was awarded to Steve Schniederma and Paul Harris Society to Allen Solomon for a continuous yearly contribution. Tom Bennet then let us know we've beaten the 17-18' year work hours that came in at 3,225 with a total of 3,616 for the 18-19' year with 110 of our 119 members being involved in at least one event. "I am proud of the level of participation of this club" Tom said before handing out pins and congratulations to 52 members with perfect attendance. Eva gave us some wonderful projects to look forward to in her year of Presidency, and is excited to be leading a "thriving and vibrant club" with leaders who inspire others to get involved. Ed rounded the meeting out thanking all the committee chairs for the hard work put in in the last year.



July 2 nd	Angy Miller & Ed Meyer
July 9 th	Cindy Rawlings & Elaine Raper
July 16 th	Bill grille & Sam Baugh
If you are unable to be a Greeter on the designated date, please contact Stacy Dewater (541-252-9655) or Angy Miller (541-435-5757)	