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**OPENING**

The meeting of August 29<sup>th</sup> was a robust affair. Rather than the usual 5 to 10 minutes of socializing to begin the meeting, **President Fauss** addressed the assembly at noon sharp. Unfortunately, your author suffered some equipment failure and only retained a partial recording; so this newsletter will be constructed mostly from some brief notes.

**Thank You Team 7**

AV	Rob Adams
Team Captains	Team 7 - Melinda Brown & Rob Adams
President Fundraiser	Eric Stewart
Pledge	Jason Richart
Invocation	Alex Hauf-Belden
Welcome Guests	Jenn Finnegan
Greeters	Lucas Landry, Dave Rickert, Bob Maurer, Tenessa Audette
Sergeant-at-arms	Leslie Morgan, Brian Scarr
Photographer	Mary Brace

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Kathy Malain** spoke extensively about the work of Food for Families, including the donation of a reach in freezer, some mobile shelving, a TV and wall mount and a promo video, to the Dignity Health Connected Living Food Bank CEO'd by our own **PP Joe Ayer**. Last year Food for Families fed 228 families and students at 5 different schools.

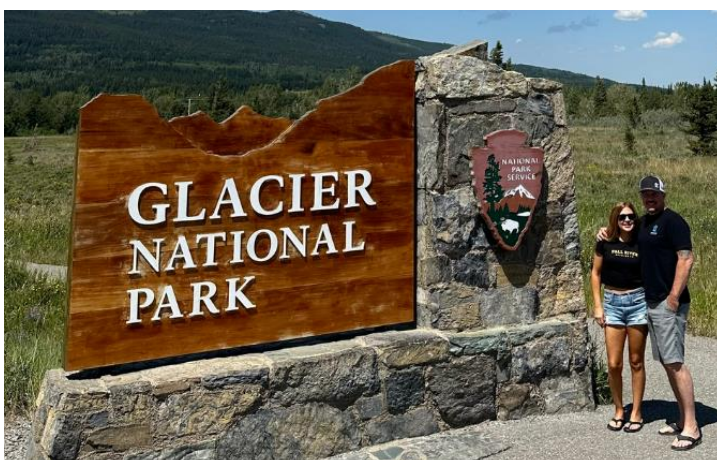
Looking for ways to help with the Haunted House? (you better be 😊) Here are some upcoming dates:

- Fri Sept 6<sup>th</sup> 4p-5p: Assistance needed to put up fence panels.
- Sat Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 8a-12p: Assistance needed to move items from storage unit to the Haunted House.
- Sat Sept 14<sup>th</sup> 8a-12p: Assistance needed to assemble tents and put walls into place for the Haunted House.
- Sat Oct 5<sup>th</sup> 8a-12p: Assistance needed to expand fence and place décor.
- Sat Oct 12<sup>th</sup> 8a-12p: FINISH DAY – assistance needed to complete the Haunted House! 😊
- Sat Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> 8a-12p: CLEAN UP DAY – assistance needed to clean up Haunted House and move back into the storage unit

## RECOGNITIONS

Wisely Team 7 provided a couple of recognitions.

**Rob Adams** enjoyed a 5-day RV trip with a couple of high school pals. Good times and lots of great photos, including Rob and his wife “standing on a corner in Winslow Arizona”. Hey Rob, what’s going on in the windows above your head? Apparently, Winslow is an interesting place, replete with Bald Eagles and public affection. Worth \$100 to the club.



**Brian Scarr** and his new bride **Lorraine** enjoyed a trip with family to Glacier National Park. \$100 to the club.

## PROGRAM



Assistant District Governor **PP Joe Ayer** introduced District 5160 Governor **PPx2** and **AGx3 Dan Gerald**. **Gov Dan** is a practicing attorney specializing in Family Law and Estate Planning, but foremost considers himself a Rotarian. For him Rotary is a family affair, as his father, brother, sister and partner are all Rotarians as well. **Gov Dan's** passion for Rotary has taken him to 16 international conventions and to Uganda where he volunteered on the Uganda Water Service Project.

**Gov Dan** shared what's in store for 2024-2025 from **Rotary International President Stephanie Urchick**. Her theme for this year is The Magic of Rotary. She chose the theme when, after installing a water purification system in earthquake decimated Dominican Republic, two young boys approached her, tugged her sleeve and said, "Lady, please show us that magic again!"

**Gov Dan** next took a few minutes to talk about Polio Plus. He used the word "audacious" to describe Rotaries commitment to eradicate this disease, and he believes when the work is finally done, and Polio is completely eradicated, Rotary International will be in line for a Nobel Peace Prize. Yah. Audacious.

**Gov Dan** went on to talk about membership. Rotary membership in Northern California has been decreasing over the years, although it is doing fine in other parts of the world. **RIP Stephanie Urchick** has challenged every district to add four new clubs and a net increase of 100 Rotarians over the 24-25 year. District 5160 is in good position to add 4 new clubs, says **Gov Dan**, and he has challenged every Rotarian to invite at least one guest over the next year.

**Gov Dan** continued his talk and covered the following topics:

- Promote the Action Plan (Polio eradication, peace promotion, increase our impact)
- Our club: congratulations for scholarships, Thanksgiving dinner, Haunted House and more.
- **DG Dan** recognized **Phil McCarthy** and **Bret Christensen** as two newer Rotarians who have had outsized impacts on the club. Awkwardly, neither was present; although that certainly does not diminish their contributions. Thanks to **Bret** and **Phil**.
- District Theme: Rotary Connects Family
- Our district, made of 68 clubs, is in good hands with strong future District Governors already selected.
- The district is broken into 12 groups, each with a Governor. Ours is **PP Joe Ayer**. Joe is a resource for District info. Please reach out to **PP Joe** to learn more about the district.
- Important Dates: Oct 5-8 Fall Learning Seminar; Jan 24 World Peace Conference; Feb 1 Grants and Foundation Day; Feb 4 **RIP Stephanie Urchick** zoom presentation to District 5160.
- Wheelchair Foundation

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

September 5	Klamath River Restoration
September 12	District Attorney
September 19	CareerTech Education Is Strong At Shasta College
September 26	OSP Children's Legacy Center

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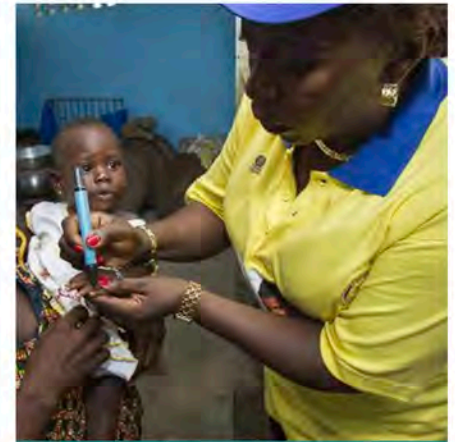
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