

NEWSLETTER

"We are a diverse, active group of Rotarians who proudly and consistently support local and global projects"

March 27, 2020

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This Week Mar 27

Columbia South Meetings Cancelled until May 8

The **District PETs and Grants Qualification** scheduled for this weekend Mar 27-28 has been replaced with an on-line Zoom Meeting

The **District Conference** originally planned for April 17 - 19 has been canceled.

The **Rotary International Convention**, scheduled for 6-10 June 2020, in Honolulu, Hawaii, USA, has been canceled

Next Meeting May 8

The Missourian, Past, Present & Future Ruby Bailey

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090C4BA8AF2FA7F85-weekly

Thanks to all who have signed up.

Water and Sanitation Month

Note from the Pres

To my Rotary Family -

Things are certainly changing rapidly and daily. Today I watched a press conference with the Mayor issuing a Stay at Home order. This order wasn't taken lightly and it was done in the best interest of the community. I know you may have questions about this. Our Health Department has put out a FAQ sheet for the community - you can read it [here](#). And if you would like to see the entire order, please click on [this link](#). (Please note: there is a lot of traffic to this site, if it doesn't work the first time you try it wait a couple of minutes and try again)

We can still apply 'Service above Self' from home. Our own Andrew Grabau is working to make sure resources go to those in the community that need them the most. The Heart of MO United Way, City of Columbia, Boone County and Community Foundation have all come together to provide vital services and support needed throughout the community. Please go to comohelps.org for more information on how to help at this very important time.

This is the best solution for our community at this time. Stay home. Be safe. We're all in this together and when the time comes, we will all be back together. And we will not take for granted a morning handshake as we enter the meeting, or the chance to meet as a Rotary Club on a weekly basis to be with our Rotary family. Amy

RI vision statement:

"Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves."

Global Grant Approved

Congratulations! Your global grant application for funding to will provide a 100,000-liter water tank, two (2) 6-stance line pit latrines with 2-washroom with a boy's urinal and Hand-Washing Stations each, renovations to the girls washroom, training in WASH programs for teachers, PTA, and school administration, operation and maintenance, and MHM., submitted by Kyotera and the Rotary Club of Columbia South, has been approved by The Rotary Foundation. The award is in the amount of US\$69,392.00.

Family of Rotary

Joe Weston wrote:

Seeing both Bill Regan and Mel West was a great treat for all and recognizing them as Honorary Rotarians was meaningful for both of them. Bill and Mel have contributed ideas for service and helped implement those projects. Bill has been in our club nearly since its beginning and was instrumental in our first big project - the patient garden at Ellis Fischel Hospital on the Business Loop. Before coming to Columbia, Mel was a Rotarian (and club president) of the Golden City Rotary Club in his hometown.

Columbia Rotary South,

In early February, you presented me with an honorary membership. The great support I received from Rotary South, my family, church and other friends was so important to my survival during my hospitalization and the rest of the past year. That support kept me going! Thank you so much for everything!!

It was my honor to be there to cheer for Mel West when he received his honorary membership! His years of leadership and forethought have made it possible for so many disadvantaged people to live functionally and have productive lives around the world. He is one of my personal heroes. It is wonderful to have him in our club!

Again, thank you for the honor. The past 30 years of membership in Columbia Rotary South have always been a privilege. Especially because of the outstanding people who are members!
Sincerely,

Bill Regan

Bill's nice letter caused me to realize that I had not likewise responded to the gracious acts of Rotary South toward me. So many wonderful things have happened to me since I joined Rotary South.

John Wesley said, "If your heart is as my heart, give me your hand." In Rotary I found hearts that were as my heart and we joined hands.

It is always a most satisfying experience to be in a room filled with persons who are of like mind and spirit. When the goals and dreams of one's religion and one's social service group are one and the same, it adds power and direction to one's life.

Thank you, Rotary South, for all you have done to make the "after 90" years of my life some of its best.

Mel

Bill Regan

Here is where you can reach Bill in the Augusta GA area:
Bill Regan; c/o Julie Miller 3784 Dunn Court; Applying, GA. 30802

St Baldrick Foundation

EVERY 2 MINUTES SOMEWHERE IN THE WORLD A CHILD IS DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER. ALL DAY, EVERY DAY - about the time needed to log onto your laptop, order a coffee, or brush your teeth. It's also about the time it takes to have your head shaved to support childhood cancer research. Participate in a St. Baldrick's head-shaving event near you.



HELP!

This little boy is sick from chemotherapy. His big sister has empathy for him, Mom and Dad, in the other room are heart-broken. I also have empathy for him, the reason I will have my head shaved in the next 3 weeks. I will then be with him in baldness.

In the past 55 years childhood cancer cure rates have gone from 100% mortality to 20%; this for certain cancers. Dollar contributions have funded research enabling more children to survive. The **St. Baldrick's Foundation** is the second largest funder of childhood cancer research, second only to the United States government. They funded \$17.5 million last year in new grants. Since their inception in 2005 they have funded \$275 million in research.

As a **St. Baldrick's** Shavee I will again have my head shaved so that this little boy is not alone in being bald. I and other Shavee's raise funds through head-shaving enabling the **St. Baldrick's Foundation** to fund research grants at research facilities such as the University of Missouri. Dollars are needed to fund even further continuing research.

Giving philanthropy is personal. To the extent that you also have empathy for this little boy and his family, a gift of \$100 will fund 4 hours of a clinical trial. Any amount will be a great help.

Make checks payable to: **The St. Baldricks' Foundation** and mail them to Raymond E. Plue at 2805 Butternut Ct., Columbia, MO 65201. I will turn in the checks on April 04.

Gates Foundation

Rotary and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation are renewing their partnership to end polio. Under the agreement, Rotary is committed to raising \$50 million a year over the next three years, and each dollar will be matched with an additional two dollars by the Gates Foundation. The extended partnership will raise an additional \$150 million for polio eradication every year for three years. Donate today and your contribution will be tripled.

Rotary for Life

Our interest in working with Organ Donations began with the late Tom Thomas, our club's charter president and recipient of a donated heart at St. Luke's.

Columbia Rotary South has carried the local education and awareness effort forward since Tom died in 2016

PolioPlus

When we talk about PolioPlus, we know we are eradicating polio, but do we realize how many added benefits the program brings? The “plus” is something else that is provided as a part of the polio eradication campaign. It might be a hand-operated tricycle or access to water. It might be additional medical treatment, bed nets, or soap.

The second of three strains of wild poliovirus is eradicated

An independent commission of experts announced on World Polio Day, 24 October, that wild poliovirus type 3 has been eradicated worldwide. It is the second strain of poliovirus to be wiped out, after wild poliovirus type 2 was certified as eradicated in 2015. Type 3 was last detected in northern Nigeria in 2012. Since then, the strength and reach of the polio eradication program's global surveillance system has been critical in verifying that the strain is truly gone. Investing in staffing, innovative tools, and a global network of laboratories helped us determine that type 3 is no longer a threat.

Interact

Take action, build international understanding, and make new friends around the world.

Interact clubs bring together young people ages 12-18 to develop leadership skills while discovering the power of **Service Above Self**. Find out how serious leadership can be seriously fun.

What are the benefits?

Connect with leaders in your community and around the world to:

- Take action to make a difference in your school and community
- Discover new cultures and promote international understanding
- Become a leader in your school and community
- Have fun and make new friends from around the world

What's involved?

Interact clubs organize at least two projects every year, one that helps their school or community and one that promotes international understanding. Rotary club sponsors mentor and guide Interactors as they carry out projects and develop leadership skills.

Celebrate the global impact of Interact by getting involved in:

- World Interact Week
- Interact Video Awards
- Rotary Youth Day at the United Nations
- Global Youth Service Day

Interact at Rock Bridge

The Rock Bridge Interact Club is a high school-based Club and sponsored by Columbia Rotary South.

The Club has different community service activities:

- working together with Rock Bridge Reaches out
- Mobility WorldWide
- Baking for the Police
- Increasing Internship Opportunities for RB Students
- Bell Ringing with Rotary for the Salvation Army
- Christmas Drive for the City of Refuge
- Earth Day
- MHDAY Walk

President: Shruti Gautam

How do I join?

Contact us

shrutigaut2003@gmail.com

<http://columbiarotarysouth.org/interact-at-rockbridge/>

Member Orientation

We ask new members to do the following: How many have you done?
Be a Greeter; Give your Classification Talk; Attend a Board Meeting
Attend a Committee Meeting and Join One; Make up at another Rotary meeting
Invite a guest to Rotary; Attend a Fellowship event; Participate in a Club Service Project; Attend a
District Seminar or Conference; Get involved and enjoy Rotary

Four Way Test

The Four-Way Test

OF THE THINGS we think, say, or do:

- 1) Is it the TRUTH?
- 2) Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3) Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4) Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?