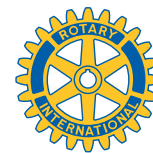


EARLY BIRD WEEKLY



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Last week was a "Club Day" which simply means we were our own program.

President Bill led us off with a Rotary Myth Buster moment.

There's not really room for the fine print in a bullet point poster but there is a kernel of truth behind every myth.

Yes, Rotary was men-only for most of its first hundred years.

For professionals only? That used to be kind of true. When I joined, a professional was described to me as someone with discretionary authority. It used to be that only one person from a vocational classification could hold membership in a given club (one lawyer, one doctor, one moss guy, ... you get the picture). Can you say Classification Talk?

Mandatory weekly attendance? No, but we do have attendance requirements to maintain active membership.

Religious organization or secret society? Nope. Rotary is non-religious and non-political.

Membership by invitation only? While that is the most common source of new members, you really just have to have a heart for service and a supportive understanding of Rotary's ideals to submit an application for membership. But you don't get in just because you applied. The club at large is presented each new member twice via weekly newsletter. It's rare that someone wanting to become a Rotarian is declined.

Last, no, Rotary International is not only interested in big, newsworthy projects. The

majority of our work is within our own local communities. Often with grants from Rotary International.

Noon Club News: Shannon Buckmaster, President, pitched this year's 48th annual auction with a COVID twist of being live, but virtual.

Register and preview here: <https://www.newbergrotary.org/virtual-auction>

Frank "Paul Harris" Douglas led last week's presentation with some Rotary insights. Health, Hunger and Humanity were not yet a driving force for us. In 1905 we were focused on camaraderie and furthering our businesses.



For the awards, he announced two of our newest Paul Harris Fellow recipients, Shelley Kolb and Karen Hall, courtesy of Dr. Robin Baker.

Heath Cornick, John Powell, and Dave Miller are members of our Paul Harris Pools. Today's makes them each a Plus 1.

President Bill was next. When you make regular contributions you end up with a Fellowship "whether you want it or not. Congratulations on your Plus 1.

Past President Gary Stewart, pool member, earned his Plus 2.

Carrie Palmore, Lessie Dale and Ted Crawford each earned their Plus 4s.

And, because of his status as Paul Harris Society, Ted Crawford earned his Plus 5!

Last up? Perfect Attendance Awards presented by Immediate Past President, Rod Federwisch. Again, the awards were dominated by 10 years - Bob Travers, 11 years - Dennis Lewis, 12 years - Frank Douglas and Tina Enomoto, 15 years - Dan Burns, 16 years - Lessie Dale, 22 years - Tom Irwin, 23 years - Brian Doyle, and 28 years - Ken Austin III.



We took the last part of the meeting to gather messages and share stories for our long time friend, Rotarian and marathon runner, Ed Howard.



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