

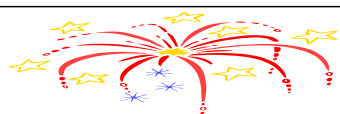
Rotary Club of Wallowa County

A CENTURY OF SERVICE/A NEW CENTURY OF SUCCESS

July 2004

2004-2005 Board of Directors

- Rex Taylor, President
- Amy Johnson, President Elect
- Toni Leech, Secretary
- Marilyn Dalton, Treasurer
- Donavon Shaw, Past President
- Donavon Shaw, Sergeant at Arms
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- Dick Burch, Club Service
- Bill Finney, Club Service
- _____, Community Service
- Rich Wandschneider, International Service
- Don Swart, Membership
- Ralph Swinehart, RI Foundation
- Bob Crawford, Vocational Service
- Jeanie Story, Website
- Diane Highberger, World Service
- Jeff Courtney, Youth Exchange
- Nancy Ingram, Youth Exchange
- Jeanie Story, Youth Exchange



Thank you Beth & Mike Reed for the wonderful Fireworks at the Wallowa Lake party. Great food, laughter, and friendship were shared by all. Thanks !!!

2004-2005 INSTALLATION BANQUET

Banquet co-chairs Bill Finney and Dick Burch began the festive evening with a social hour full of smiles, conversation, and margaritas. The Mexican buffet style meal was enjoyed by 55 + Rotarians and their guests. El Bajo catered the Mexican feast.

Donavon Shaw began the program with a review of our clubs 2003-2004 accomplishments; Chief Joseph Days Food Booth, Bronze Blues & Brew, the El Salvador project, Cycle Oregon, and the Homeland bleacher project to name a few.

Donavon and Margie Shaw treated the 2003-2004 Board members to lovely blue mugs, handcrafted by Gary Wishart, for their year long dedication to Rotary. Special recognition was given to Bob & Shirley Crawford, "Couple of the Year" for their tireless efforts on several projects during Donavon's reign as President. Donavon announced Dick Burch as the "Rotarian of the Year." Dick's jovial hard working manner is admired by

many Rotarians. Rick Bombaci received the "Light my Fire" award for his vision and fundraising effort with regards to the El Progreso pick-up project. EH Van Blaricom captivated the audience with his two, very special roasting poems. The first was a wonderful Rotary farewell to Dean and Lou Norden and second was crafted to celebrate Donavon.

Ralph Swinehart, RI Foundation chairperson, provided the audience with a brief explanation of a Paul Harris Fellow. Then Ralph maneuvered about the room before surprising Dan Pappalardo with a Paul Harris Fellow award. The esteem Paul Harris award was bestowed upon Dan for his work and dedication to the community of El Progreso El Salvador. When Dan began what was supposed to be a six-month volunteer experience in El Progreso, Dan's initial responsibility was to work with children—as a teacher, coach, and counselor. Twenty-eight months after arriving, his list of accomplishment is staggering states his com-

rade Rick Bombaci. Dan's works fall into six main categories: education and extra-curricular activities, youth programs, housing and school expansion, running water, community development, and medical assistance.

Assistant District Governor Aloris Winters presented the club with a Presidential Citation Certificate. Aloris stated she is amazed at the diversity and scope of the projects our club takes on. The club also received the Governor's Citation for World Community Service.

Donavon Shaw rang the Rotary bell for the last time and turn the gavel over to Rex Taylor, our clubs 2004-2005 President. Rex invited Rick Bombaci to the podium to present Donavon with a Yogi Berra book and plaque as memento's of his year as President. Good Job Donavon!

The evening closed with Rex Taylor introducing the 2004-2005 club officers and board. The evening was very casual, enjoyable and a wonderful celebration of the clubs 2003-2004 successes.

July Programs

- Chairperson: Patrick Morehead
- 2nd
- 9th
- 16th
- 23rd
- 30th

July Events

- Lostine River Run ~3rd
- Highway Cleanup ~
- Chief Joseph Days
22, 23, 24, 25

2004 PRESIDENTIAL PROJECT

The club's 2003-2004 Homeland bleacher project is nearly completed. Several local businesses and individuals contributed to make the project vision a reality.

- Project Contributors:
- Wallowa Forest Products,
 - Moffit Bros Construction
 - Eastern Oregon Concrete
 - Taylor Contracting
 - John Johnson
 - Bronson Lumber Company
 - BJ's Wholesale

Thank you everyone!



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*A Century of Service
A New Century of Success*

Rotary Celebrating 100 years

February 23, 1905

Attorney Paul P. Harris of Chicago, Illinois, USA, envisions a new kind of group for professionals to cultivate business ties and develop friendships. On the evening of 23 February, he invites three friends to a meeting and plants the seeds of the world's oldest and most prestigious service club organization.

As the club continues to meet and add to its ranks, meetings rotate among members' offices, and the group begins to call itself the Rotary Club of Chicago.

ROTARY'S BEST ~ BILL WILLIAMS SR.

In 1947, after graduating from Whitman College in Walla Walla, Bill Williams Sr. and his wife Jane, moved to Wallowa County. He became superintendent at Lostine. In 1952 the Williams family moved to Joseph where Mr. William began a 30 year tenure as Joseph school district superintendent. Bill and Jane raised five boys and one girl. Today they have

13 grandchildren and 1 great granddaughter.

Bill served many years as Rainbow Dad for the Maxine Assembly. He is a member of the Masons and remains active in his church. Over the years he has volunteered countless hours in activities that support youth. Mr. Bill Williams is a long standing member of Rotary International.

This man is admired for his kind

sensitive nature. Ben Boswell said that when Mr. Williams was superintendent rules were not often broken as the students didn't want to let him down.

In the last few weeks many Wallowa County Rotarian have comment how much they miss Bill's kind words, soft touch, and warm smile at our weekly meetings.

We salute you Mr. Bill Williams!

BOARD UPDATE

Ever wonder what goes on at the Board Meetings on Tuesday's?

Well here is some information from this weeks topics.

There have been 54 members that have paid their dues for this year. Thanks to all that have paid. If you have not paid them, it is time!

District Governor Dick Elixman and Assistant District Governor Aloris Winters will be visiting our club July 22, 23 and

24th. Dick Burch is working very hard to ensure their schedule includes Club Accomplishments, Wallowa County points of interest and Chief Joseph Days. These guests will both be attending the club meeting on Friday July 23rd. They will also be visiting the sites of some of the club projects.

There was discussion about the rehydration product that was presented at the club meeting last Friday. It was decided that the club would donate \$150 for these efforts. Additionally, any member that wishes to

make a personal donation may do so on Friday and the total will be used to purchase the rehydration product and send it to the troops in Iraq.

Lostine River Run was a big success! There were 98 Runners/Walkers this year. That is down from the 131 of last year, but still a good turnout. Bob Crawford was very happy with the help and support of the club members. The event ran very smoothly. Great job to Bob and everyone that helped! There will be a post race meeting coming up soon. Bob is ready to hand off the reins of the Lostine River Run to an-

other club member for next year. He will help!!

The planning has begun for the Club BBQ. Please contact Dick Burch or Bill Finney if you would like to assist in the planning.

Upcoming events: Chief Joseph Days is only a couple weeks away! Bronze Blues and Brews will be August 14th. Our club will be selling BBQ Sandwiches again.

A new member proposal was read for Evelyn Swart.