

CITY OF COOS BAY CITY COUNCIL
Agenda Staff Report

MEETING DATE	AGENDA ITEM NUMBER
February 17, 2015	

TO: Mayor Shoji and City Councilors

FROM: Jackie Mickelson, Executive Assistant *JM*
Through: Rodger Craddock, City Manager *RC*

ISSUE **World Rotary Day Proclamation**

BACKGROUND

Rotary International was founded February 23, 1905 in Chicago, Illinois. The Coos Bay North Bend Rotary Club was founded March 22, 1922 at the Chandler Hotel, and it was the first club on the Oregon Coast. The local Rotary Club members donate goods and services to hold an annual auction, and carry out programs to raise funds that are used for local and international projects. Community Benefit grants are provided to enrich individuals, families, and the community. A committee made up of Rotary members selects grants to be awarded based upon the criteria and funding available.

ADVANTAGES

The proclamation identifies local programs and community services Rotary supports in the Coos Bay and North Bend area.

DISADVANTAGES

None

BUDGET

No impact to the budget.

RELATED TO CITY GOAL:

Council Goals related to "Citizen Education & Involvement".

RECOMMENDATION

If it pleases the City Council, consider approving the World Rotary Day Proclamation.



Proclamation

WHEREAS, Rotary International, founded on February 23, 1905, in Chicago, Illinois USA, the Coos Bay North Bend club was founded March 22, 1922 at the Chandler Hotel, it was the first club on the coast of Oregon; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary motto "Service Above Self" inspires members to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards, and promote good will and peace in the world; and

WHEREAS, in the 1940's the Rotary adopted the 4 way test as the standard by which all behavior should be measured:

- Is it the truth?
- Is it fair to all concerned?
- Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

WHEREAS, Rotary Peace Fellowships fund either master's degree or professional development certificate study at one of the six Rotary Peace Centers.

WHEREAS, polio cases have dropped by 99 percent since 1988 and the world stands on the threshold of eradicating the disease. Since 2012, Rotary raised \$228 million in new money for polio eradication in response to a \$355 million challenge grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation; and

WHEREAS, The Local Rotary club members donate goods and services to hold an annual auction, and carry out programs such as wood cutting to raise funds that are used for local and international projects. Community Benefit grants are provided to enrich individuals, families and the community. A committee made up of Rotary members selects grants to be awarded based upon the criteria and funding available; and

WHEREAS, Rotary supports local programs and community services including T.H.E. House, Food Cupboard, Scholarship programs for North Bend and Marshfield Students, have provided bus shelters, playground equipment at Wasson Street Park, rebuild the scout cabin, participate in Bus Jam, contributed to Egyptian restoration project, sponsor high school student to Rotary Youth Program, sponsor the Prefontaine Rotary Track Meet, provided grants to: The Oregon Coast Lab Band, Marshfield Theater Company, Coos County 4-H, ORCCA Court Appointed Special Advocate Program (CASA), Nancy Devereux

Center, ER Dental Days, South Coast Gospel Mission, Coos Bay Senior Activity Center; and

WHEREAS, there are three distinct Rotary Clubs in Coos Bay and North Bend Oregon with nearly 100 Rotary members within those clubs, actively sponsoring service projects that address such critical issues in their local communities, throughout Southern Oregon and abroad.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, I, Crystal Shoji, Mayor of the City of Coos Bay, do hereby proclaim February 23, 2015 as,

World Rotary Day

and encourage all citizens to join me in recognizing Rotary International for its 110 years of service to improving the human condition in local communities around the world.



In witness thereof, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Coos Bay to be affixed on this 17th day of February 2015.

Crystal Shoji, Mayor