

October 15, 2009

THIS WEEK

Thursday, October 15, 2009
Noon – American Legion Hall

ELAINE ROEMEN
CHILDREN'S ART PROGRAM

Lunch: Jambalaya
Thought of the Day: Jo

October 8 Meeting:

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

David Alexander of Pacific High School and Riley Engdahl of Driftwood Middle School were honored as Students of the Month at last Thursday's meeting. Further information about them will appear in next week's bulletin.

The Rotary Foundation – It Works!

"The primary reason to support The Rotary Foundation," said Ronn Kerr in Thursday's presentation to the Rotary Club of Port Orford, "is that it works!" Kerr pointed to the success of several of the Foundation's programs of local and international outreach to show that it is one of the most effective programs of its kind in the world.

In 1985, when Rotary first began immunizing children around the world, Polio was endemic in 125 countries and there were more than 1,000 new cases

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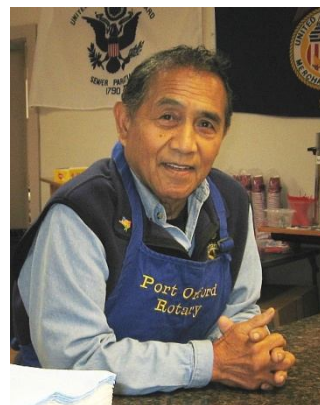
MEMORIAL SERVICE SET FOR CHET DECAYANA

**CLUB LOSES ONE OF ITS MOST
BELOVED AND RESPECTED MEMBERS**

A memorial mass for Chet Decayana is set for 10:00 a.m., Monday, October 19th at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Port Orford.

Chet passed away on the 10th following a heart attack and fall, with subsequent complications from pneumonia.

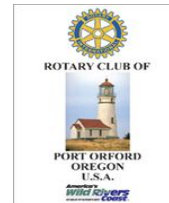
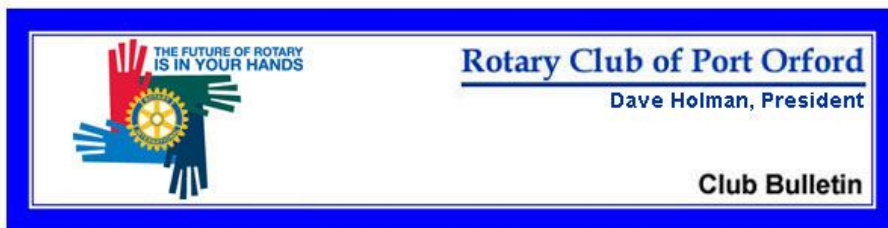
A Paul Harris Fellow, Chet will be sorely missed. Not only was he an active Rotarian, found working with great good will even at the age of 80 on many of the community projects undertaken by the club,



but he was consistently kind, upbeat, and generous in aiding his friends in Rotary and anyone in need. We mourn the loss of a fellow Rotarian, but especially Chet the man and friend.

OCTOBER – VOCATIONAL SERVICES MONTH

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every day. Today, Polio has been eradicated throughout the world except for four countries in the Middle East and Africa and new cases are now just over 1,000 per year! Kerr said, "Going from 1,000 new cases a day in 1985 to only 1,000 new cases a year today means more than five million children have been saved from becoming paralyzed by this dreaded disease. That is because of your contributions to The Rotary Foundation!"

Kerr went on to emphasize that, in response to a matching grant of \$200,000,000 from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Rotary clubs around the world have been asked to contribute \$1,000 per year for three years to end Polio forever. The Port Orford club was the first club in the district to reach and exceed the goal this year. And, on Saturday, October

24, the Port Orford club will have an information booth set up in front of Ray's Food Place to share information with the public about the Rotary campaign to "End Polio Now!"



Ronn Kerr

With Polio nearly eradicated, Rotarians around the world are beginning to focus on another major problem in the world, the

lack of clean water. "More than 30,000 people, mostly children, die every day from diseases caused by bad water," said Kerr, "and over two billion people have never had a drink of clean water." Many new Rotary projects are focused on solutions to this problem because the need is so acute. "The average child mortality in communities without clean water is 19%," said Kerr, "but, after the completion of Rotary Foundation projects that have provided clean water,

NEXT WEEKS PROGRAM THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2009

NANCY ENGLISH TRF PERMANENT FUND

the child mortality rate has dropped to around 4%! A primary reason to support The Rotary Foundation is because it works!"

The Rotary Club of Port Orford has recently launched its own \$20,000 project to provide eighteen new wells and clean water for a rural area near San Martin in northern Argentina. \$4,500 was raised by the Port Orford club and \$1,000 by the Rotary club of San Martin. The remainder of the project was paid for with funds from The Rotary Foundation.

THIS WEEK IN PORT ORFORD ROTARY:

Thursday, Oct 15 – 12:00 – Weekly Meeting at Legion Hall – Elaine Roemen, Children's Art Program
Monday, Oct 19 – 10:00 am – Funeral mass for Chet Decayana, St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
Thursday, Oct 22 – 12:00 – Weekly Meeting at American Legion Hall – Nancy English, TRF Permanent Fund

FUTURE EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Saturday, Oct 24 – Rotary information booth at Ray's to inform public about "End Polio Now!"
Thursday, Oct 29 – Fifth Thursday, no regular meeting
June 20-23 – 2010 Rotary International Convention in Montreal

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