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**Grants Pass  
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## TODAY

Josephine Community Libraries is a homegrown success story. The closure of the libraries in May 2007 left over 82,000 residents in Josephine County without access to any public library whatsoever. Responding to an editorial in The Daily Courier calling for the return of libraries to our community, a group of committed citizens met in August 2007 and formed Josephine Community Libraries, a nonprofit, nongovernmental organization dedicated to reopening and operating the libraries in Josephine County.

After a year of fundraising, on December 20, 2008, the Grants Pass library opened again. On September 5, 2009, the Illinois Valley library was reopened. On November 7, 2009, the Williams library was reopened. With the reopening of the Wolf Creek branch on December 19, 2009, all four library branches in Josephine County were restored. These branches all rely heavily on volunteers for day-to-day and behind-the-scenes operations.

Josephine Community Libraries has successfully borrowed the funding model of public radio and public television. People are invited to become members of the library, though its services remain free to the public regardless of membership status.

In this presentation, Jennifer Roberts, head of the Communications Department for Josephine Community Libraries, will give some historical perspective on JCLI and library service in Josephine County. Executive Director Kate Lasky will then address JCLI's future and its main goal: the sustainable funding of a library that remains relevant by embracing technology while serving as a space for community development and cultural exchange.

## LET'S ROCK AROUND THE CLOCK

Where: The Gates "new" home located at 1067 NW Starlite Place  
Look for the balloons and the 57 TBird  
When: Friday—July 23 at 6:00 p.m.  
What: A fun time to remember the '50s; the music, the food, our Rotarian friends.  
Who: You and your special guest  
How much: \$10 per person

## GREETERS

*George Bock  
Charlie Morrison*

## SONG & PLEDGE

*Kay Brashears*

## INSPIRATION

*Jim Clark*

## NEWS

*Terall Blalock*

## SERGEANT AT ARMS

*Debbie Cantiello*

**"TELL ME AND I'LL FORGET.  
SHOW ME AND I'LL  
REMEMBER. INVOLVE ME  
AND I'LL UNDERSTAND."**

*~Confucious*

## NEXT WEEK

*Cattleman's Organization  
Bill Hoyt*

## COMING UP

**August 4**  
*Duck Derby  
Bill Thorp and Little  
League*

**August 11**  
*Trip To Haiti  
Dr. Brad Personnius*

## RIVER DAWG ALERT

Chris Korbolic (Fellow Rotarian Mary Korbolic's son) has been traveling the waterways of the world via a kayak. Chris graduated from GPHS in 2004. He is now a professional kayaker, writer, and photographer. His version of fun is hurling himself from atop a high waterfall and tumbling hundreds of feet into more churning water. His stories and images are fascinating and goosebumpy.

We have tried (unsuccessfully) to convince Chris to present a program for our club. Mom Mary says, "me first at Rogue Gateway." For tomorrow's program, Chris will use a slideshow to describe some of his adventures, and also tell the story of how he went from a being a little kid growing up on the Rogue River to challenging some of the most formidable and remote rivers on earth.

Here's a recent entry by Chris on Eddie Bauer's First Ascent team blog, Born Out There:

<http://blog.firstascent.com/2010/06/29/first-ascent-kayaker-chris-korbolic-first-to-run-royal-gorge-falls/>

If you have a meeting makeup to do or are just curious about what extreme kayaking is all about or want a sneak preview of the upcoming documentary, go and hear Chris. The meeting begins Thursday at 12 noon at Wild River Publik house.

## A DISTRICT INVITATION

The District invites you to attend the Oregon Festival of American Music's production of "Kiss Me, Kate" -- Friday, August 6, 7:30pm -- at Eugene's Hult Center for the Performing Arts. Only the best seats in the house have been reserved.

This Cole Porter classic American Musical is a regular favorite across America and abroad. Porter's lyrics and popular melodies are light, catchy, and timeless. while cleverly capturing the onstage/offstage stories of Shakespeare's "Taming Of The Shrew."

Join the Family of Rotary for all new production, an exclusive pre-show "meet & greet", and a backstage tour with Maestro Robert Ashens! \$40 for adults, \$25 for children. Contact [margarethumel@yahoo.com](mailto:margarethumel@yahoo.com) or Margaret at (541) 912-0362 or for your reservations.

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## THE NEW PRESIDENT OF RI

It's always good to get to know who is at the helm of any organization. Rotary changes almost everything on a yearly basis. Here is a brief bio of the new Rotary International President.

Ray Klingensmith, a retired attorney from Kirksville, Missouri, USA, served as general counsel and professor of business administration for Truman State University (formerly Northeast Missouri State University) for more than 20 years. From 2001 to 2004, he served as a county commissioner for Adair County.

Ray has served as a director of the Macon-Atlanta State Bank in Macon, Missouri, since 1971, and he was one of the initial trustees for the Missouri Family Trust, which the Missouri legislature created in 1989. He was the president of Chariton Valley Association for Handicapped Citizens since its inception in 1982 until 2009, and is now president emeritus. He received the 1988 Parent/Caretaker Award from the Missouri Planning Council for Developmental Disabilities. He is a former member of the executive board for the Great Rivers Council of the Boy Scouts of America and the holder of its Silver Beaver Award for adult volunteers. He is a member of the First United Methodist Church in Kirksville and a former lay speaker for the church.

In the early '60's Ray was a Rotary Scholar in South Africa. A member of the Rotary Club of Kirksville and a Rotarian since 1961, Ray has served Rotary as district governor, chair of the 1998 Council on Legislation in New Delhi, and chair of the 2008 Los Angeles Convention Committee. He was a member of the RI Board of Directors from 1985 to 1987 and chaired its executive committee in 1986-87. Ray joined The Rotary Foundation Trustees in 2002, serving as vice chair in 2005-06, and was a member of the Future Vision Committee from 2005 to 2008. Ray is a [Major Donor](#) and a recipient of the Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and Distinguished Service Award.

Ray's wife, Judie, is a former elementary school teacher in Macon and Kirksville and a former consultant for the Child Development Assistant program at the Kirksville Area Vocational Center. Ray and Judie have two children, Leigh and Kurt, and three grandchildren, Morgan, Grant, and Sydney Perkins.



**BUILDING COMMUNITIES  
BRIDGING CONTINENTS**

### Rotary International President

Ray Klingensmith  
[www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

### District 5110 Claire Little

[www.district5110.org](http://www.district5110.org)

### Grants Pass Rotary Club

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Past President Fred Borngasser

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Treasurer Ann Woolsey

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Cindy Harelson

Gene Napier

Matt Richardson

Ted Risser

Jean Zech-Manhart

[www.grantspassrotary.org](http://www.grantspassrotary.org)

### ROGUE GATEWAY

[www.roguegateway.org](http://www.roguegateway.org)

Meets Thursdays at noon

Wild River Publick House

7/22—Xtreme Kayaking

Chris Korbolic

### GREATER GRANTS PASS ROTARY

[www.greatergrotary.org](http://www.greatergrotary.org)

Meets Fridays at 6:30 a.m.

Grants Pass Golf Club

7/23—Wildlife Images

Cyndee Maunu and Jami Johnson

### ROTARY CLUB OF ILLINOIS VALLEY

Meets Tuesdays at noon

Wild River Brewing

249 N. Redwood Highway

Cave Junction

7/27—TBA

ALTERNATIVE MEETING  
CYBER MAKEUPS

[www.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org)

## TWENTY TWO GROANERS

1. I was going to buy a book on phobias, but I was afraid it wouldn't help me.
  2. The Irish lass was disappointed with the engagement ring from her fiance because it was a sham rock.
  3. Have you heard about that online origami store? It folded.
  4. The Alpine Skiing competition started poorly and went downhill from there.
  5. I stink at fractions. I'm not half as good as the class.
  6. I used to have a fear of hurdles, but I got over it.
  7. When the bottom of a cargo ship got a hole, it had one hull of a problem.
  8. I used to do rock climbing as a youth, but I was much boulder back then.
  9. The lights were too bright at the Chinese restaurant so the manager decided to dim sum.
  10. When the prisoner was told by his lawyer that he had gotten a stay of execution, he smiled and said, 'Well, no noose is good noose.'
  11. I've made up my mind to re-lay my lawn. It was a turf decision.
  12. Her bees made such delicious honey, it was said that she could almost work magic with those bees. They called her Beatrix.
  13. It is tough to do inventories in Afghanistan because of the tally ban.
  14. When a snail loses its shell it looks sluggish.
  15. When the gunman walked in, he turned the store into a flea market.
  16. Yesterday I accidentally swallowed some food coloring. The doctor says I'm OK, but I feel like I've dyed a little inside.
  17. 1000 pairs of underwear were stolen, police were making a brief enquiry.
  18. I've never tipped a cow. Then again, one has never served me food.
  19. When I questioned the livestock delivery company as to whether or not they could quickly move some donkeys. They said they could haul ass.
  20. Her company distributes gift boxed cashews and she has a delivery guy that drives her nuts.
  21. The violinist spent the night in a vile inn.
  22. When I bought some fruit trees the nursery owner gave me some insects to help with pollination. They were free bees.
- Ed Note: These shameless groaners were submitted by Bob Cartmell. It is he who gets the booze.*

Things to ponder: What were you doing in 1980?