

D5400 Environmental Stewardship Action Team

Suggested Speakers

(Please let us know of other environmental topics and speakers of interest)
July 2024

IDAHO BASED PRESENTATIONS Some may be in person, some on zoom

Citizens' Climate Lobby Empowering citizens to influence members of Congress to advocate in a bipartisan way for a livable planet, founded by **Rotarian Marshall Saunders**, Liz Alexander, Liztheloveworker@gmail.com

Growth and Groundwater, the Future of Idaho's Lifeblood. Dr. Sarah Godsey, Idaho State University. Godsey@isu.edu

Water Usage to Grow Oats. Dr. Kelly Olson, University of Idaho: Agriculture and Soil Extension Office. kellyolson730@gmail.com

Environmental Sustainability Rotary Action Group and Idaho Rotary Environmental Stewardship Action Group. **Rotary's 7th Area of Focus.** This talk gives ideas and information on small changes your members can make to support Rotary's environmental stewardship focus. For clubs that would like to be recognized for their environmental activity we have an **Earth Stewardship Certification**. Laurie Zuckerman, laurie.zuckerman@esrag.org

How to Save Thousands of Dollars with a New or Used Electric Vehicle This exciting presentation includes information on battery life, cost of ownership, range anxiety, federal tax rebates, charging and lots more. Linda Engle lindarsengle@gmail.com

Need a New Stove or Water Heater? The Inflation Reduction Act has rebates you will want to hear about. Coming in 2024, these can be up to 50% or even 100% depending on your income. Available in person or zoom depending on location. Linda Engle, lindarsengle@gmail.com

Grow Your Club's Eco-Experience. What does the earth or environment have to do with Rotary? Learn about fun projects that help your community and members. Laurie Zuckerman, Environmental Sustainability Rotary Action Group Communications Chair, laurie.zuckerman@esrag.org

En-ROADS Climate Interactive. If your club ruled the world, what policies would you use to curb pollution? Test them out with En-ROADS climate interactive. For Business leaders, Community organization, educators, faith-based, government / policymakers, students. In Boise contact: Greg Weeks gweeks1022@gmail.com or contact the **ESRAG Drawdown Team**, Tim Conners, timothyconners@gmail.com, **EnROADS Climate Interactive**.

ZOOM PRESENTATIONS Most of these speakers live outside of Idaho and will need to present via Zoom.

BrightenYour Community with SOLAR. Liz Henke, ebbvw@gmail.com, Liz can present on:

- One Million Solar Panel Challenge! Hey Rotarians, got solar panels on your home or business? Join the challenge!
- [Solar Habitat for Humanity](#): Rotary International has a Memorandum of Understanding with Habitat for Humanity, and ESRAG has a manual showing Rotary clubs how to help local families leave the cycle of poverty by installing solar on Habitat for Humanity homes.

Plant-rich diet. Kris Cameron, kriscamken@gmail.com, Dawn Byford, dabyford@gmail.com, or Scott Nelson, scottreidnelson@gmail.com. Our parents, grandparents, and doctors keep telling us to *eat your vegetables*. What's good for our hearts and blood pressure levels, is also good for the planet, including our water resources. Learn about the **Plant Rich Diet Cookbook for Rotarians!**

Operation Pollination Chris Stein, . Like to eat? Much of the world's food directly or indirectly depends on pollinators. Chris can tell you about Rotary International's work to protect pollinators around the globe and in your neighborhood. By the way, District 5400 was the first Rotary District west of the Mississippi to sign the Pollinator Resolution! Chris_Stein@nps.gov

Solar Refrigeration for Farmers and Rotary Foundation Environmental Grant Options

Doug White, Rotary International Cadre, , dougkwhite@gmail.com. Interested in a Rotary International grant in the environment Area of Focus? Doug will be happy to share tips.

[Lunch Out Of Landfills Founder](#), Joe Richardson, Activating Students to join Interact and start school food reclamation programs Joesr@bar-t.com

Food Waste: Did you know that if food waste were its own country, it would be the third largest polluter behind China and the US? Learn simple things we can do at home and in our clubs to return to our grandparents' motto: waste not, want not. Amelie Catheline, District 5340 Environmental Sustainability Chair, amelie.catheline@gmail.com.