

Rotary



Club of Olympia

Our Next Meeting scheduled for November 1, 2021

By Dan Lehuta on Monday, October 11, 2021

Our next club meeting (Nov. 1st) will feature Our own Foundation Chair Christina Daniels. Christina will speak to us about The Rotary Foundation as November is Rotary Foundation month. We will again be meeting at Indian Summer.

Clean Water/Cool Jazz - Coming November 20th

By Dan Lehuta on Tuesday, October 19, 2021



Click [here](#) for more details and to visit the Cool Jazz/Clean Water website.

Carl Reder Award and Polio Report from Ralph Munro

By Diane K. Gallegos on Monday, October 25, 2021

Rotary Club of Olympia
The Wheel

Date: 10/25/2021

Today's Program: Update on End Polio and the Carl Radar Award

Meeting Called to order: President Cyndi Zechmann @ 12:22 pm

Invocation by: Geoff Crooks ♦ gratitude for those who have worked so hard to end Polio

Pledge of Allegiance led by: Lori Woodland

Song: America the Beautiful, led by Laurie Maricle

Four Way Test led by: Warren Carlson

Visiting Rotarians: Gretchen Sturtevant introduced
Ed Schlich from Gateway Rotary (Olympia Wine Sales)
Maureen (Mo) Considine from Eugene, OR (Public Health)

Guest of Rotarians:

Announcements: Whitney Holm thanked everyone for bringing all of the donated coats, food and books. Please continue to bring them for the next few weeks.

Golden Bear Award ♦ Jen Boelts (Olympia High School) introduced student **Ema Bonbright** and teacher **Jennifer Fabritius** who nominated Ema for the Golden Bear Award. Jennifer described Ema as an excellent student who works incredibly hard, has a positive attitude, and willingness to learn. Ema received a pin, certificate and \$100 gift card. Ema wants to go into business management.

Dan Lehuta told a funny, G rated joke about a centipede.

Steve Bean auctioned off 3 Rotary Centennial Glass and Wine sets. The successful bidders were Jennifer Williamson Forster, Micki Holden-Cooper and Christy Peters.

Program: Polio Plus ♦ We watched a short film celebrating the success of Rotary's End Polio Now efforts and along with a commitment to continue the effort until it is completely eradicated. **Ralph Munro** led a dramatization of what it might be like to wake up one morning not being able to walk and moving only with your hands and arms. Ralph recalled how his mother burst into tears when

she heard the announcement that Dr. Salk had found a cure for polio. Polio is a summertime disease and it is very exciting that there was only one case in Afghanistan and one case in Pakistan this summer. They are still finding the virus in sewers and it is important to stay vigilant but there is much to celebrate. Rotary has trained 285,000 workers going door to door talking with people about polio and vaccinating. The Rotary Club in Kabul, Afghanistan has permission to go door to door again and will allow women to conduct the visits. In addition to donations from Rotarians and funding from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, there has been an increase in government allocations to support this final push to end polio.

Happy Bucks ♦ **Lynn Heinold**

John Sabo encourages everyone to support the quality live programming and performances at the Harlequin Theatre.

Bob Wubbena has four Seahawks tickets ♦ under cover- for tonight. First come first served.

Maureen Considine moved to Eugene, OR to be closer to her grandchildren. She hopes to join a club there soon. Everyone is so happy to see Mo after a year ♦s absence!

Cyndi Zechmann just returned from an exhausting trip helping her daughter move from Green Bay to Sioux Falls Never again!

Jen Boelts celebrated the power going out at her house and the chance to get to know her 8th grader without a screen!

Ed Schlich has moved back to Olympia from Bogota and starting a landscaping business and Olympia Wines

Program: Carl Radar Award

Steve Bean introduced our two Carl Radar Award winners ♦ **Colleen Gillespie** and **Sean Padget**. Once a year the Club gives the Carl Radar Service Above Self Award. Colleen and Sean were recognized for the award for their contributions during the challenges faced by the COVID-19 pandemic. Their leadership and service kept the Club together as we transitioned to online meetings. We owe them both a debt of gratitude.

Mr. Snappy: Steve Bean won for the FIRST time-and it was a great prize. Steve won a \$50 voucher to Cool Jazz Clean Water donated by **Dennis Cooper**

Meeting Adjourned: 1:20 pm by President Cynthia Zechmann.
