



## University District Rotary Club Bulletin

Wednesday, October 13, 2021



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Raymond Connell, President

### Meeting Location

Seattle Yacht Club  
1807 E. Hamlin St.  
Seattle, WA 98112

To join via Zoom:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87528482798?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87528482798?pwd=MINva2dodXZJM2NlZjZsbWhjYzNiZz09)

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When: Fridays

Lunch: 12:00-12:30 pm

Business: 12:30-1:00 pm

Program: 1:00-1:30 pm

### Future Programs

#### Oct 22

Dr. Quinton Morris: Key to Change

#### Oct 29

The Rotary Foundation

#### Nov 5

Reflections from Veterans

#### Nov 12

Noemi Gatica, Consul-General of Guatemala

### Links

Club Photos

Club Facebook Page

Club Website

DACdb

District 5030 Website

### Club Bulletin Deadline

Monday at 2:00 pm

Send ads & photos  
in .jpg

Send material to:

[paulalaschober@gmail.com](mailto:paulalaschober@gmail.com)

### Program for October 15

#### Howard Cohen—District 5030 Governor



Although Howard Cohen has been a Rotarian since 2001 when he first joined the Renton Rotary Club, it was not his first connection with a service club. In high school in upstate New York, Howard joined the Leo Club, the Lions' Club version of Rotary's Interact Club. After college, he joined a local Lions Club as there was not a Rotary Club in the area. Years later, he found Rotary.

Howard continues his 44 year history in hotel management. He earned his undergraduate degree from the State University of New York at Buffalo and his MBA from UW.

When Howard changed jobs to downtown Seattle, he joined the Queen Anne Rotary Club and became the President shortly after that. Howard then found his eventual home in the Emerald City Rotary Club, where he became President of that club.

### Happy Birthday to Rotarians with Birthdays in October

October 3	Ken Kraft
October 3	Jim Tillman
October 6	Tom Andrew
October 10	Carolyn Hathaway
October 10	Terry F. Cicero
October 12	Adrian John
October 14	Douglas Frick
October 21	Mike Shimizu
October 22	Rick Reimer
October 29	Peter Schroeder



### Viets for Afghans—Club Members Invited to Support Refugees

At our September 17 meeting, Son Michael Pham demonstrated the parallels between the exodus of Vietnamese, including his own family, when the U.S. withdrew from Viet Nam, and the recent flight of Afghans from Afghanistan upon the U.S. withdrawal. For more information and to offer support with donations, click here: [75 Viets for 75 Afghan Refugee Families Project – Medium](#)



## Calling All Veterans (by Tom Andrew)

Are you a military veteran? Well, US Veterans Day is Thursday, November 11, this year, and, on Friday, November 5, the Rotary Club of the University District will recognize members and guests who are veterans of not only the US armed forces but also military veterans of other countries who are University Rotarians or our guests.



Ed Sider and Tom Andrew will be responsible for the program on Veteran's Day. If you are a veteran, and would like to be recognized, please let Tom Andrew know via email at [tom\\_andrew@outlook.com](mailto:tom_andrew@outlook.com). In your email, tell him: your country and branch of service (US Marine Corps, US Army, etc.), your years of active and/or active reserve duty, your highest rank, and the one assignment that stands out for you as either the best or the worst of your career. We will introduce each of you with this information.

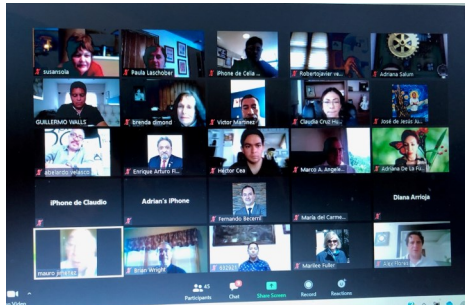
In addition, if you have a short reminiscence that you would like to share with the members for about one minute, please let us know that in your email, and we will be sure you have the opportunity. This is not a requirement. We'll be honored to recognize you no matter what.

Tom will need your information no later than October 22 so that we can edit and plan the presentation. We want you to be as glad you participated as our members will be to honor your service to your country.

## President Raymond Requests Zoom Meeting Attendees Help Defray Costs

Dear fellow Rotarians,

As you know, Covid 19 has affected all aspects of our lives. This is especially true with our club and attendance. Currently we have members attending meetings 50% in person and 50% virtually. Our overall attendance is consistent with the district. Although we would prefer to have you attend personally, we understand the health challenges involved.



There is a cost for the convenience of bringing the meetings to you virtually. We are asking that if you're attending via zoom, you consider contributing at least \$10 per meeting to help defray our cost to present via zoom.

You can make payment arrangements through our treasurer, Kirk Laughlin ([kirkwlaughlin@gmail.com](mailto:kirkwlaughlin@gmail.com)), or you may choose to send your checks directly to the club (PO Box 31125, Seattle, WA 98103).

*Raymond A. Connell, President*

## International Service Committee Deadlines (by Sheila Hosner, ISC Chair)

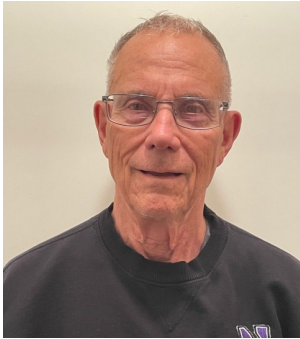
This year the ISC is offering a **mentoring program** to help applicants make sure their application is complete before final submittal. If you would like to take part in this program, we will need your full application **by October 15**. After submittal, a mentor from the ISC will work with you to make sure your application is ready to go! We encourage all applicants to take part in this program because applications that are incomplete will be reviewed last. **Final completed applications are due by October 30, 2021.**

Any questions? Please contact Sheila Hosner, ISC Chair, [breadpudding@aol.com](mailto:breadpudding@aol.com).





## Club Board Approved Two New Member Applications at Sept. 20 Meeting



**Jim Rechten** is sponsored by Dale Hicklin. Jim is an osteopathic physician and professor emeritus from Michigan State University. In his osteopathic practice, he specialized in physical medicine and rehabilitation.

Jim is active in his church and has already joined our club's football ushering group. His other interests include reading fiction and history.

Jim holds a B.S. in Metallurgical Engineering from Purdue University, a Ph.D. from Northwestern University, and a D.O. (Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine) from the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine in Missouri.

Jim is originally from Missouri and was formerly a Rotarian with the East Lansing club of Michigan. He and his wife, Mary Ann, live in the Magnolia neighborhood of Seattle. His email address is [rechten@msu.edu](mailto:rechten@msu.edu) and his cell phone number is 517-410-7731.

**Dieudonne Mayi** is sponsored by Ben Abe. Dieudonne is a Principal Data Engineer with Slalom Consulting ([www.slalom.com](http://www.slalom.com)), where he specializes in data engineering development. He has more than 20 years of experience in the software industry in various roles, including developer and technical program manager. Before joining Slalom, he spent over 12 years with Microsoft in Redmond.

Dieudonne is a Board Member of the Seattle-Limbe Sister City Association, and both a Parish Council member and member of the Knights of Columbus at St. Anthony's Parish in Renton. His other interests include gardening, fishing and music. Besides English, he also speaks French.

Dieudonne holds an MA in Political Science and an MSc in Computer Engineering from Portland State University. He also expects to finish a Doctor of Information Technology degree from Walden University (Minnesota) in 2023.

Dieudonne is originally from Cameroon. He and his wife, Bibi, live in Kent. His personal email address is [dmayi@achilliad.com](mailto:dmayi@achilliad.com) and his work email address is [dieudonne.mayi@slalom.com](mailto:dieudonne.mayi@slalom.com). His cell phone number is 425-829-4313.



## Peacebuilder Committee Announces New Mission Statement *(by Jeff Werthan)*

The Peacebuilder Committee is very happy to announce the finalization of our committee's Mission Statement. The Peacebuilder Committee has recommended and the Club Board has approved the following:



*"The Mission of the Peacebuilder Committee of the University District Rotary Club is to advocate and support programs and projects designed to enhance peace and the non-violent management of conflict."*

Thank you to all those Peacebuilder Committee members who worked with me over the past fifteen months to establish this concise and straightforward statement.

## Virtual Boiling Pot Available for Club Members *(by Kirk Laughlin, Club Treasurer)*

U. District Rotary members - A reminder that a way to support our club during this difficult time —especially if you are enjoying the camaraderie of the weekly online meetings — is with a small token of your financial appreciation. The virtual "Boiling Pot" link is: <http://bit.ly/UDRCboil>.

You can choose an amount of \$5.00 to \$25.00 (there is a \$5.00 minimum since this is a credit card transaction). And you can do so during the meeting or anytime! Thank you for your support.







## 2022 Fundraiser *(by President-Elect and Fundraiser Chair Jeff Werthan)*

RCUD's Annual Fundraiser has been scheduled for Friday, March 25, 2022. Details will follow, as we have updated information and we have had the opportunity to evaluate public health conditions.

This is your Fundraiser - every RCUD member is part of the fundraiser and has an obligation to participate in some manner. There is a saying in Fundraising: TIME - TALENT - TREASURE. Each and every one of us in RCUD can contribute to at least one of these categories. If your category is Treasure, then give from your heart. If your category is Talent, let me know what you do well and we will utilize your abilities. If your category is Time, let me know.

We have a Fundraising Committee that meets monthly (next meeting is Thursday, October 21, at noon) and we can use you. Remember that all dollars raised will become part of the Service Fund and will fund club projects going forward. Thank you. ([Jmwdog@gmail.com](mailto:Jmwdog@gmail.com)).



## Donations Needed by ROOTS Young Adult Shelter *(from Marella Alejandrino)*

ROOTS Young Adult Shelter in the U District is our partner in combatting homelessness. In years past we have served breakfast to the youth there several times a year, and also funded projects to provide cooking equipment, water heaters and other site improvements. Marella Alejandrino recently checked on their current needs and Amy Hanson, ROOTS Administrator, provided the following list:

**Gift cards - Visa cards, Safeway, QFC, Starbucks, Subway, Whole Foods, Target....**

<b>Shorts - men's and women's</b>	<b>Pants - men's and women's</b>
<b>Belts - men's and women's</b>	<b>Backpacks</b>
<b>Shampoo</b>	<b>Conditioner</b>
	<b>Deodorant</b>



Click here if you'd like to donate via ROOTS' Amazon wishlist: [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com)

## Community Service Committee Deadlines *(by Samuel Cha, CSC co-chair)*

The Community Service Committee met on Friday, September 10, via Zoom and developed a timeline and discussed areas of changes and focus for funding approval.

The 2021-2022 CSC Grant Application form and CSC Grant Instruction, along with the Funding Guidelines, have been issued to all members of the Community Service Committee. We also encourage club members who are interested to participate. First, we are asking anyone planning a grant application to submit a 1-2 page "pre-application" by October 15. This would be done using the Community Service Project Application form but without detailed descriptions and budget, etc. This pre-application will be the basis for your full application. This process will allow the CSC to provide early feedback to the applicants. We will need your full application by October 29. We encourage all applicants to take part in this program because applications that are incomplete will be reviewed last.



**The deadline for submittal of CSC Grant Applications is October 29, 2021.** Any questions? Please contact co-chairs Chris Giles, [chris.giles@cannoncommercial.com](mailto:chris.giles@cannoncommercial.com), and/or Samuel Cha, [sammycha77@gmail.com](mailto:sammycha77@gmail.com).



## So What Happened This Week? (by Jeff Werthan)

10/14/1947 - U.S. Air Force Captain Chuck Yeager became the first person to break the sound barrier, flying in a rocket-powered research aircraft.

10/14/1964 - Dr. Martin Luther King Jr became the youngest recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize.

10/17/1944 - The Battle of Leyte Gulf, the largest naval battle in history, began off the Philippine Islands, during World War II.

10/18/1945 - The Nuremberg War Crimes Trial began with indictments against 24 former Nazi leaders.

10/19/1987 - On Wall Street, stocks plunged 22.6%, the largest one-day drop in history.



## Birthdays

Dwight D. Eisenhower - 10/14/1890 - the 34th President of the United States and Five-star General of the Army.

Noah Webster - 10/16/1758 - he compiled the first American dictionary in the English language.

David Ben-Gurion - 10/16/1886 - responsible for the founding of the State of Israel.

Oscar Wilde (10/16/1854) & Eugene O'Neill (10/16/1888) - Irish and American playwrights who wrote *The Importance of Being Earnest* (Wilde) and *The Iceman Cometh* and *Long Day's Journey into Night* (O'Neill).

William O. Douglas - 10/16/1898 - the longest serving justice of the Supreme Court (36 years) - also well-known as a conservationist and outdoorsman. Douglas lived in Washington State for most of his life.

## Holidays/Festivals

The 2021 Indigenous People Festival will take place at Seattle Center from October 12 thru October 16. This free event creates a space for Indigenous People to celebrate artistry and traditions, and for all attendees to learn about indigenous cultures from a lineup of contemporary talent.



We have just concluded Fiji Day in Fiji. It is the country's National Day, and it marks the anniversary of both Fiji's cession to the United Kingdom in 1874 and its attainment of independence in 1970. The week leading up to Fiji Day consists of a series of religious and cultural events that celebrate Fiji's diversity.

## Invitation to Join Rotarian Ad Hoc Social Justice Group (by Jeff Werthan)

Every Saturday morning, a group of Rotarians from several different clubs meets virtually to listen to a speaker and ask questions pertaining to various social justice issues. Our group has created a safe space, that allows everyone to speak his/her mind in a non-threatening environment. "Non-threatening" does not always mean comfortable and does often mean challenging. It's an opportunity to listen, learn, comment and play the devil's advocate.



Our speaker on Saturday, October 16, will be Matt Hertel, the Long-Range Planning Director for the City of Sacramento, CA. Matt's particular emphasis is on housing, urban planning, economic development and transportation. Even though Sacramento is a smaller city than Seattle, we have many of the same housing related concerns. Please join us on the 16th.

For the link, please reach out to me: [jmwdog@gmail.com](mailto:jmwdog@gmail.com). For a lively way to start your Saturday, visit us from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.



## Seeking Volunteers to Finish Up Rosie's and Organize Donations at SODO! *(by Molly Lowney, Tiny House Village Essential Needs Coordinator, Low Income Housing Institute—submitted by Sala Sweet)*



Hello Seattle volunteers!



Rosie's is looking AMAZING! Today, shipping containers arrived on site that will be converted into the community kitchen space. This upcoming week we will have two work parties at Rosie's and one work party at our warehouse location in SODO.

### **SODO Work Party:**

Thursday 10/14 we are seeking **5 volunteers** to organize donations and move around old donated furniture.  
[SODO Thursday sign in sheet HERE.](#)

**Address:** 5 South Nevada St, Seattle, WA 98134

**Date:** Thursday 10/14, 11:30am - 3:30 pm

**Food:** Lunch (gf/v/v options included)

**Safety Precautions:** Masks are required at all times for volunteers, regardless of vaccination.

**Parking:** Parking is available on site

### **ROSIE'S Work Parties:**

**Thursday 10/14** we are seeking **3 volunteers** for carpentry and **3 volunteers** for general setup (cleaning houses, touching up paint, assembling furniture).  
[Thursday sign in sheet HERE.](#)

**Friday 10/15** we are seeking **4 volunteers** for carpentry and **4 volunteers** for general setup.

[Friday sign in sheet HERE](#)

**Address:** 1000 NE 45th St, Seattle, WA 98103

**Date/Time:** Thursday 10/14 and Friday 10/15, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

**Food:** Lunch gf/v/v options included)

**Safety Precautions:** Masks are required at all times for volunteers, regardless of vaccination.

**Parking:** Parking is available on site or street parking is available.

*\*If these sign-in sheets are full but you would like to come see the village, please reach out! We are always open to tours and welcoming folks to seeing the village before people move in!\**





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## Celebrate World Polio Day with us



**World Polio Day 2021: Delivering on a Promise – A Polio Free World is in Reach**  
Thursday, Oct. 21 | 12 to 1 pm PST

**>>RSVP Now:** [Home - World Polio Day 2021: Delivering on a Promise – A Polio Free World is in Reach \(cvent.com\)](https://cvent.com/e/World-Polio-Day-2021-Delivering-on-a-Promise-A-Polio-Free-World-is-in-Reach)

Join the Discovery Center and Rotary International for a virtual event commemorating World Polio Day 2021. Delivering on a Promise – A Polio Free World is in Reach will be an opportunity to celebrate progress in the fight against the disease and discuss the obstacles that remain to achieve a polio-free world.

Learn how the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation polio program has supported efforts to curb the COVID-19 pandemic. Listen to a discussion about a new polio eradication strategy launched earlier this year. Engage with [Ezra Teshome](#), a Rotarian who has been leading vaccination campaigns in Ethiopia for over 20 years, and staff from the foundation's polio team.

Moderated by [Mark Wright](#), former Seattle Rotary President and KING 5 evening anchor.



## ROOTS Young Adult Shelter



# RISE UP 2021

## START YOUR FUNDRAISER HERE

**Join us virtually on October 26th  
We are going LIVE!**

**RISE UP 2021 ~ October 26, 2021 ~ 6-7 PM**

***This virtual and live event is about one thing: standing up for young adults experiencing homelessness in Seattle. Help make homelessness brief and for one time.***

Register here: [RISE UP 2021 - A Virtual Event for Young Adults Experiencing Homelessness Tickets, Tue, Oct 26, 2021 at 6:00 PM | Eventbrite](#). The event is free! ROOTS is our club partner in fighting homelessness.

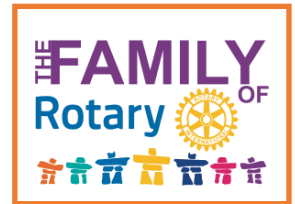




## Upcoming Club Activities

- Sat.** 9:00-10:00 am. Rotarian Ad Hoc Social Justice Group. For link, contact Jeff Werthen: jmwdog@gmail.com.
- Oct 14** 12:00-1:00. Peacebuilder Committee meeting. Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82611326233?pwd=Rkd4M292dnA2R2pCMmtOTkhDaXhldz09>  
Meeting ID: 826 1132 6233 Passcode: 9sd3fn
- Oct 19** 12:00-1:00. DEI Task Force meeting. Contact: Jeff Werthan, jmwdog@gmail.com.
- Oct 21** 12:00 noon, virtual Fundraising Committee meeting. Contact: Pres-Elect Jeff Werthan, jmwdog@gmail.com.
- Oct 26** 6:00-7:00 pm. *Rise Up 2021*, ROOTS shelter fundraiser. Benefits young adults experiencing homelessness in Seattle. Virtual and live event. Click on registration link, prior page of this bulletin.
- Oct 29** Deadline for receipt of Community Service Committee applications. Application and instructions on club Website (click link on page 1 of this bulletin) under Member Information. Info: Chris Giles at chris.giles@cannoncommercial.com or Samuel Cha at sammycha77@gmail.com.
- Oct 30** Deadline for receipt of International Service Committee applications. Application on club Website (click link on page 1 of this bulletin) under Member Information. Info: Sheila Hosner, breadpudding@aol.com.
- Nov 5** 9:00 am, Membership Committee meeting. Join Zoom Meeting: Meeting ID: 829 5549 1958, Passcode: 090115. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82955491958?pwd=UXBQc1BtMVpwS01kTG93MmZZRnVOdz09>.
- Mar 25 2022.** SAVE THE DATE! Club fundraiser.

We are sad to report the death of **Liesel Al-Haddad**, wife of our member Sabah. Liesel was known to many from her participation in club activities. Sabah, from Iraq, and Liesel, from Gudensberg in Northern Germany, met in Sacramento, as students in a college business class. After moving to Seattle in 1973, they started a family and a business, Sab Tec Stationers, Stylus Paper & Pen, at University Village. Liesel was the devoted mother of Mona Al-Haddad, Patrick Foley, and Thomas Umbach, and the grandmother of Morgen Sellier, Maya Sellier and Christian Umbach. Arrangements for memorial services will be announced at a later date.



**Carol Anne Weaver**, wife of our member Neale, is improving after suffering a stroke. "We appreciate the flowers and good thoughts from the Club," Neale said. You can send notes to Carol Anne at Ida Culver House Broadview, 12509 Greenwood Ave N, Seattle, WA 98133.

We express our deep sympathy to **Ezra and Yobi Teshome** on the death of their son-in-law, Henok Gebrehiwot.

### Request for Warehouse Space for "Books for the World" (from DG Howard Cohen and Judy Ginn)



"Books for the World" is a Rotary program to collect books for people around the world. We are looking for a large commercial quality (warehouse size) space to receive, sort, and box books for export. Space should be adequate to operate a forklift. Please contact Judy Ginn at (206)232-7527 if you can offer space.

### Next Husky Ushering Day is This Coming Saturday -- vs UCLA! (by Dale Hicklin)

Our check-in time is 2:30 pm at Stadium for a 5:30 game time. Thanks to all who volunteered to help us! Ushers this week are Son Michael Pham, Judy Lovelace, Marella Alejandrino, Prez. Ray Connell, Jim Rechten, Rick Jones, Doug Frick and Dale Hicklin. Thanks to all of you!

