



University District Rotary Club Bulletin

Wednesday, October 20, 2021



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Raymond Connell, President

Meeting Location

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

To join via Zoom:

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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 29

The Rotary Foundation

Nov 5

Reflections from Veterans

Nov 12

Noemi Gatica, Consul-General of Guatemala

Nov 19

Dr. Ben Danielson and Mark Wright

Links

Club Photos

Club Facebook Page

Club Website

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District 5030 Website

Club Bulletin Deadline

Monday at 2:00 pm

Send ads & photos
in .jpg

Send material to:

paulalaschober@gmail.com

Program for October 22

Dr. Quinton Morris: *Key to Change*

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Dr. Quinton Morris enjoys a multifaceted career as a concert violinist, educator, entrepreneur, radio host and filmmaker. He has performed solo concertos, recitals and presented masterclasses and lectures at some of the world's most respected venues, including the Seattle Symphony, Carnegie Hall (New York), TEDxSeattle, Seattle Art Museum, Roberts Project (Los Angeles), the Sydney Opera House (Australia), the Louvre Museum (Paris), National Normal Taiwan University (Taiwan), Dong-eui University (Korea), the American String Teachers Association National Conference, the University of Paris-Dauphine School of Business and Tumaini University (Tanzania), among many others.

He has received numerous awards for his artistic and community service including the Distinguished Alumni and Hall of Fame Award from Renton High School, the Governor's Arts Award, the Seattle Mayor's Arts Award and Puget Sound Business Journal's 40 Under 40 Award. As a filmmaker, he has received the top prize, first place, at the European Independent Film Awards (Paris), the Bronze Award at the Global Music Awards in Los Angeles and high honors at the New York Film Awards.

Dr. Morris founded Key to Change in 2017 with the goal of providing underserved youth and students of color living in South King County with opportunities to take violin and viola lessons. Since the inception of Key to Change, hundreds of students have had an opportunity to take music lessons, participate in numerous musical outreach activities and learn in a diverse and inclusive environment. At the beginning of the global pandemic, Dr. Morris led a successful pivot from in-person to online lessons resulting in the string studio's student enrollment quadrupling and retaining over 90% of students who enrolled in the program.

Dr. Morris is an Associate Professor of Violin at Seattle University, where he is the first tenured music professor in 40 years. He is also the second living Black violinist in United States history to receive such a distinction. Additionally, he is also the Artist-Scholar in Residence at Classical King FM 98.1, where he hosts the show *Unmute the Voices*, and is the co-chair of the Seattle Arts Commission.

A native of Renton, Washington, Dr. Morris holds a Bachelor of Music degree from the University of North Carolina School of the Arts; a Master of Music degree from the Boston Conservatory; and a Doctor of Musical Arts degree from the University of Texas at Austin. He is currently finishing a graduate diploma in business at the Harvard Exchange School. In his spare time, he enjoys watching football, spending time with his family, traveling, wine tasting and collecting toy red cars.



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.



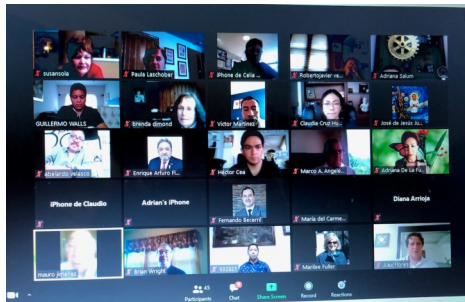
Ed Sider and Tom Andrew will be responsible for the program on Veteran's Day. If you are a veteran, and would like to be recognized, please let Tom Andrew know via email at tom_andrew@outlook.com. In your email, tell him: your country and branch of service (US Marine Corps, US Army, etc.), your years 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.

If you have questions, Tom Andrew (425.891.3597) will be happy to try to answer them. Remember to get your info to Tom by October 22.

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.

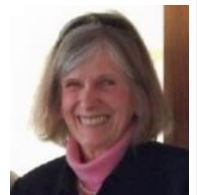
You can make payment arrangements through our treasurer, Kirk Laughlin (kirkwlaughlin@gmail.com), or you may choose to send your checks directly to the club (PO Box 31125, Seattle, WA 98103).

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](#)

Thanks to Marilee Fuller

Please take a moment to thank Marilee Fuller for all of the hard work that she puts in every week to make sure that our members who are zooming in at club meetings have the best possible experience. It's time consuming and often stressful, but Marilee is there for us. Thank you, Marilee.





New Member Application Approved by Club Board



At the October 18 Club Board meeting, the application of Patricia Day Williams was approved. Her sponsor is Omara Abe.

Paula is the President/CEO of NBFS Financial Inc. (www.number-crunchers.com), which is in the business of tax preparation and tax representation. She has been an accountant for 41 years, 32 of those with her own firm.

Paula is a graduate of California State University-Dominguez Hills, where she obtained her BS degree in Business Management.

She moved to Seattle from Simi Valley, California, in 2019 in order to live closer to her kids. In Simi Valley she was an active member of the Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise from 2000 to 2019. While in that club, she served as Treasurer,

Community Service Director, Club Service Director, Family of Rotary Director, Program Chair, and as a member of many other committees.

Besides Rotary, Paula's community activities have included Delta Theta Sigma Sorority, Simi Valley Community Foundation, Simi Valley Soroptimists (founding member), Simi Valley Chamber of Commerce, Simi Sunrise Charitable Foundation, and Women's Information Network of Simi Valley. She was honored as one of Simi Valley's most influential community leaders in philanthropy.

Paula's special interests are racial justice, hunger/homelessness, women's issues and financial education. Her hobbies include travel, writing (she's editing her first novel!), photography, dogs—and FOOD!! She loves cooking it and eating it, and even attended Le Cordon Bleu in Paris. With respect to languages, she says she is only fluent in English, but "can still butcher Spanish and get by with French."

Paula's business address is on Mercer Island. Her business email is pdwilliamsea@gmail.com. She lives in the Rainier Valley area of Seattle. Her personal email is pdawms@gmail.com and her cell phone number is 805-660-3658.

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).

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....

Shorts - men's and women's	Pants - men's and women's
Belts - men's and women's	Backpacks
Shampoo	Conditioner
	Deodorant



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

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

Oct. 24, 1861 - first transcontinental telegraph sent to President Lincoln from California.

Oct. 21, 1879 - Thomas Edison had his first successful test of a incandescent lamp - it stayed lit for 13 hours.

Oct. 20, 1973 - Watergate's Saturday Night Massacre - President Nixon fired Attorney General Elliot Richardson, Deputy Attorney General William French Smith and Special Prosecutor Archibald Cox.

Birthdays

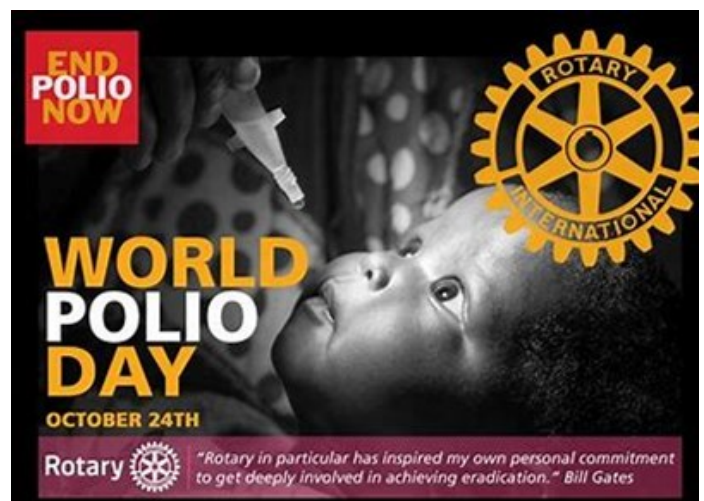
Oct. 20, 1931 - Baseball Hall of Famer Mickey Mantle

Oct. 21, 1833 - chemist and engineer Alfred Nobel, who established the Nobel prize

Oct. 25, 1881- Artist Pablo Picasso

Holidays/Festivals

October 24 is both United Nations Day and World Polio Day. As Rotarians this is a date that is meaningful to all of us.





Guy Falskow Passes Away

As you saw from our special notice, our club lost a giant last week. Guy Falskow joined our club in 1992. We remember him for many, many contributions, particularly those in support of kids and young adults.

He served as Youth Exchange Coordinator for 18 years, created the Summer Youth Exchange, and started a long run as our club's Rotary Youth Leadership Academy in 1993. He headed our club's distribution of dictionaries to third graders for many years and worked with Ted Carpenter on the Ambassadorial Scholarship Program.



Guy with Betty Falskow and their framed Paul Harris awards. Guy was a Major Donor to The Rotary Foundation and always made his annual donation on his birthday.



Guy was honored for his 46 years of Rotary service, at our club meeting on 10/11/2019.

Guy was our Club Secretary from 1998 to 2000, and our Vice President 2005-2006. Among his many other contributions, he served on the Program and Community Service Committees. Guy loved kids, and many of us remember the hand-crafted children's toys he created for our club fundraising auctions.

But perhaps what we remember most about Guy is his creation of our program to serve meals at Ronald McDonald House. Literally thousands of families of children hospitalized at Children's Hospital have received hot meals and warm conversation over the years...and not only from the members of our club. Following his inspiration, many other community organizations have followed our lead, with volunteer meals served almost every weeknight.

Guy is survived by his wonderful wife, Betty, and their combined and loving families. Memorial arrangements will be announced at a later date. Guy was one of the best. May he rest in peace and live on in our memories.



Guy with family who attended his Honorary Member induction.



Carma McKay holds an inlaid table Guy made for our 2011 auction.



BILL & MELINDA GATES *foundation* DISCOVERY CENTER

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 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>.
- Nov 8 Dec 13, Jan 10, Feb 14, Mar 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
- Nov 16 Dec 21, Jan 18, Feb 15**, 12:00-1:00. DEI Task Force meeting. Contact: Jeff Werthan, jmwdog@gmail.com.
- Mar 25 2022**. SAVE THE DATE! Club fundraiser.

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.



We have two speakers from Casa Latina on October 23. Suzanne Bottelli, head of the education programs, will give us an overview of the organization that serves Latina immigrants with a broad variety of programs, including work skills, language skills and advocacy for Latina rights. Nuno Pereira will inform us about the Wage Theft Program, that offers advocacy and legal aid to those whose wages are stolen or never paid.

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

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.

Thanks to Husky Ushers this week! *(by Dale Hicklin)*

Special thanks to all 11 of our Rotary ushers. With their work this past Saturday at the UCLA game we earned almost \$1,400 for our Rotary projects. Ushers this week were Son Michael Pham, Judy Lovelace, Marella Alejandrino, Pres. Ray Connell, Rick Jones, Jim Rechtien, Doug Frick, Dale Hicklin and 3 others who joined us for the day.

Huskies play out of town next two weeks and are back at Husky Stadium November 6 for a game against the Oregon Ducks! Thanks again to those who donated their Saturday for the Club!

