



# University District Rotary Club Bulletin

Wednesday, June 23, 2021



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Brenda Dimond, President

## Meeting Location

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87528482798?pwd=MINva2dodXZJM2NNZjZsbWhjYzNiZz09>

When: Fridays, log in 11:50

Business: 12:00-12:20 pm

Program: 12:20-12:50 pm

Wrap-up: 12:50-1:00 pm

## Future Programs

### July 2

No meeting—July 4 weekend

### July 9

Welcome for new club president Raymond Connell

### July 16

Don Scholes: Downtown Seattle Association

### July 23

Josephine Ensign: Health care and homelessness

## 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 June 25

### Brenda Dimond's "Kick-Out" Party



PLEASE JOIN US for our very first IN PERSON Rotary meeting to show our gratitude for getting through COVID and especially CELEBRATING PRESIDENT BRENDA!!

Those who prefer can enjoy the meeting by ZOOM.

In order to come in person, the Seattle Yacht Club REQUIRES everyone to be fully vaccinated. **And please bring your mask.**

Here is the link to register in person: [Celebrate Brenda Dimond, 2020-2021 UDRC President Tickets, Fri, Jun 25, 2021 at 11:00 AM | Eventbrite](#). We are not planning to take registration at the door.

*Party Committee: Dave Spicer, Past President/Chair, Raymond Connell, Lisa Edwards, Son Michael Pham, Judy Lovelace, Marella Alejandrino, Carma McKay, Kay Rodriguez, Rick Jones, and Marilee Fuller.*



## Thanks to Our 2021 Fundraiser Angel Donors and Sponsors

Last week we reported that our fundraising event this year raised \$77,249.90. After deducting costs of Auctria software and fees, we netted \$75,307.52.

This week we want to recognize and thank our angel donors (who donated \$500 or more): Anonymous, Marella Alejandrino, Russ Amick, Rosemary Aragon, Julie Becklund, Ted Carpenter, Sam Cha, Raymond Connell, Gary Corbett, Brenda Dimond, Ellen Ferguson, Bev Fogle, Ellen Frick, Linda Fukuda, Marilee Fuller, Jim Gram, Carolyn Hathaway, Bill Herkes, Dale Hicklin, Jeff Johnson, Rick Jones, Bill Kauppila, Paula Laschober, Lisa Latchford, Judy Lovelace, Carma McKay, Karon Nealy, Jeff Nemitz, Neale Obedin, Vicki Robbins, Carl Robinson, Kay Rodriguez, Lael Ross, Alex Shimizu, Ed Sider, Basant Singh, Connie Sizemore, Susan Sola, Dave Spicer, Ezra Teshome, Jim Tillman, Dave Weaver and Neale Weaver.

Many thanks also to our sponsor businesses: State Farm, Seattle Children's Hospital and Kitsap Bank.

## Memberships are Coming Due! *(by Kirk Laughlin, Club Treasurer)*

If you haven't yet had a chance to pay your membership dues for the upcoming Rotary year, please take a moment to do the following:

- Look in your inbox for your e-mailed invoice (the most recent one was sent on or about June 14 from "Rotary Club of University District" from the e-mail address [udistricttreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:udistricttreasurer@gmail.com).)
- Click through the link in that e-mail to pay by credit card.
- OR - Mail in your payment by check to the PO box address indicated on the invoice - UDRC Membership, PO Box 31125, Seattle, WA 98103. (If you mail your check, let us know you have done so since we are getting close to our June 30 end-of-year cutoff. E-mail Kirk at [kirkwlaughlin@gmail.com](mailto:kirkwlaughlin@gmail.com) to let us know it's on the way).
- **If you are coming to President Brenda's party this Friday, June 25, you can pay there by credit card or check.**
- If you need to set up an arrangement to pay in installments or after June 30, that's completely fine. E-mail Kirk to let him know that, so we know to keep you as an active member.
- And if you don't find an invoice and need it re-sent, you can also e-mail Kirk.

**It is important that we receive payment or know your intent to pay before June 30.** On July 1, the very next day, we are assessed membership dues by the District and by Rotary International, based on our known membership. These fees cannot be altered after June 30, so we need that list to be as accurate as possible - and we need to know your intent in order to do so. Thank you for your help.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2020-2021 *(by Brenda Dimond)*

September 21, 2020, Meeting: Members at our Club's Friday meeting joined one of three breakout sessions. Scribes reported back to the entire Club sharing the summary of the Action Plan for each of the three focus areas: (1) Membership, (2) Global Grant, (3) Homelessness. A Progress Report on the areas of focus was presented to the Club Membership in May 2021.

History of our Three-Year Strategic Plan Retreat, May 4, 2019: About 50 members met at the Talaris Institute, Seattle, WA. An organized group of Rotarians led the day's activities beginning early in the morning and ending in the late afternoon. Lisa Fox Latchford, facilitator of the Strategic Plan, organized break-out sessions, led by our Club's member leaders. Questions asked for each of the sessions for Rotarians to respond: Why is our work in Rotary important to us and the wider world? What is happening around our Club, our Community and our World that demands change? From this Retreat, we grew in purpose, direction and motivation. As a result, we have established the following goals: For our Club--Membership. For our Community--focus on Homelessness in the University District. For our World--Global grants pertaining to securing safe potable water for impoverished countries which can have a direct impact on Youth and Education. The following is a summary of our Second Year Focus:

- A. Membership: our Club welcomed 8 new members who bring both diversity and a wealth of new knowledge and skills. Emphasis on engagement within the Club began at the detailed Orientation process which Kay Rodriguez, chair, scheduled on an individual basis. The Induction Ceremony: Rosemary Aragon offered a "Welcoming" atmosphere with the entire membership participation. Committee Chairs warmly invited the new member with information on the next committee meeting; these were committees of interest indicated at the new member's orientation. Our Membership and Family of Rotary Committees asked themselves "What can we do to make a difference during the pandemic?" *(continued on next page)*



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2020-2021 *(continued)*

1. The Angel Brigade, led by Kay Rodriguez, chair, reached out to our elderly and homebound members. Club members reached out to send cards, make telephone calls, deliver meals and GS cookies and, in some instances, provide transportation for medical appointments. The committee reached out to those who were challenged by Zoom technology meetings to offer to help with Zoom set up. And for some the in-person meeting was the best for them.
  2. One of our members, Son Michael Pham, delivered 40 gallons of hand sanitizer to University Heights, a nonprofit organization housed in the formerly University Heights 100-year-old Elementary School. Our members also delivered new clothes and shoes to a nonprofit women's shelter, Elizabeth Gregory Home. The Ronald McDonald House regularly receives adult clothes, coats, shoes and toys for families at RMH. Our Club delivered meals to the families residing at Ronald McDonald House. Our club partnered with Rotary Club of Bend-Mount Bachelor, RC of Hillsboro, RC of Spokane North and RC of Spokane South to distribute more than half a million dollars' worth of adult and children's products to people in underserved communities in Oregon and Washington.
- B. Community: a strategy to address homelessness in the University District and association with a non-profit partner. Our Club has had a long-standing relationship with the ROOTS shelter, which recently moved to a new location adjacent to the UW campus. Our funding recently provided two commercial hot water heaters for the new hygiene center. Jerred Clouse, ROOTS Executive Director, and Tom Andrew, sponsored this project.
- C. Global Grants: our Club helped fund and sponsored two Global Grants--(1) Wells for Ethiopia; \$76,000 and (2) Revitalize a Well at the Boys Town in Kingston, Jamaica, \$123,500. Primary sponsors for these projects were Dave Spicer for Ethiopia and Raymond Connell for Jamaica.

In the midst of a world pandemic, our University District Rotary Club, dedicated to our goals, moved forward with the following:

- New Area of Focus—an Environmental Sustainability Committee was started. Dave Spicer and Jeff Johnson were co-chairs.
- Charter of The Peacebuilder Committee, an Area of Focus. Jeff Werthan, Chair.
- The Scholarship Committee provided \$15,000 to high school students and \$15,000 to University Certificate Program students at the UW. Linda Fukuda, Chair.
- International Service Committee--\$52,000 helped fund the following projects: Tanzania/School Solar; Senegal/Economic Development; Vietnam/Education; Chile/ Rural School Language Lab; Morocco/Women's Trees; Uganda/Community Development/Soap making/Brick making; Mexico/Rural Family Greenhouses; Ethiopia/Global Water Grant; Democratic Republic of Congo/school benches for students, desks for teachers, exterior painting supplies and black boards. Susan Sola and Sheila Hosner, Co-Chairs.
- Community Service Committee--\$50,000 funded a Virtual Holocaust Field Trip Program, Ventures/Financial Literacy Education for Low-Income Entrepreneurs, Seattle Children's Playground Summer Camp scholarships, Sanctuary Arts printing equipment, a Literacy Circle for Young Adults Accessing Homeless Services in the University District sponsored by Youthcare, Eli's Park Project Sand and Water Features, technology and telecommunications additions for Elizabeth Gregory House for homeless women, and two hot water heaters for the ROOTS Shelter in the U-District. Samuel Cha and Chris Giles, Co-Chairs.
- Provided dinners and collected nonperishable food items for the Ronald McDonald House. Rick Reimer, Chair.
- Engaged a High School Student: Rotary Youth Leadership Academy implemented via Zoom. Deb Gumbardo, RYLA Chair.
- Warm Winter Coat December Drive: Elizabeth Gregory Home, University Heights Center, Youthcare and Kids Company received new coats to distribute to the homeless, those in shelters and those in need. Jim Gram, Chair. An anonymous club member donated generously to make this a True Holiday Gift of Giving from The Heart. Lake Sammamish H.S. students volunteered to pack the coats for distribution. One of our members, Son Michael Pham, donated his van to pick up the coats and delivered to all the nonprofits. And the Peacebuilder Committee donated to the Warm Coats project. Peacebuilders Committee members shopped for holiday giving for the Wallingford Boys and Girls Club, a youth center. Sala Sweet and Jeff Werthan, co-chairs.
- Our first Celebration of Earth Day, April 17, 2021 at South Park, Duwamish River site: Our members spent time removing invasive plants and toxic waste from the Duwamish River. A local filmmaker, BJ Bullert, joined us and documented our efforts in a video. We hope this can become a District Project. Dave Spicer, Project Chair.

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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2020-2021 *(continued)*

- Qualified for District Urgent Need Grant: University Heights received \$750 for Covid-19 emergency aid. Maureen Ewing, Chair.
- \$350 was donated to the University Heights for the University District "Warm Winter Drive." Club members donated several hours to the Drive. They assisted with set up and distribution of coats (many of which our Club donated), hand warmers, socks, scarves, children's clothing, sweaters, healthy snacks, and much more. Maureen Ewing, Chair.
- New DEI Umbrella Committee of The Peacebuilder Committee engaged in an Ad Hoc Saturday Morning Discussion Group. Topics included the current social concerns of our community. Many community leaders shared their insights on crime, homelessness, social injustice and police reforms. Sala Sweet and Jeff Werthan, Co-Chairs.
- DEI supported and advertised small minority-owned businesses in or near the University District. Idea led by Son Michael Pham.
- Beginning the Fiscal Year, our Club approved and the General Membership approved changes to Article 11. Members on Leave of Absence (LOA) shall continue to remain in the Club Roster and receive all communications distributed to the general membership. LOA members shall be excused from Club dues; however, they shall pay that portion of annual dues to maintain membership at District and RI. LOA members are encouraged to attend meetings, committees and activities of the Club or any Rotary Club. Ed Sider, Constitution & By-Laws Committee.
- A "Statement of Rotarians in Support of Racial Justice" organized by Dave Spicer and Brenda Dimond appeared in the *Seattle Times*, September 6, 2020. To further the discussion, DG Cathy Gibson convened a task force on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) to formulate actions clubs could take to promote these goals. To take on this challenge, our Club created the DEI task force as a sub-committee within the Peacebuilder Committee. Jeff Werthan is the lead. I encouraged the Peacebuilder Committee to post their actions and follow up in the Bulletin. On MLK Day our Club donated several bags of groceries for the University Food Bank.
- World International Environment Day: Jeff Johnson and Dave Spicer presented the program on "Climate Change" which we, as a Club, had an opportunity to participate in--April 2021.
- Engaged with Rotaractors, Brennan Jacobson and Grace Musselman, partnering with University Sunrise RC to "Clean-up in the University District" during the Fall and Spring. Brennan Jacobson presented "What Rotaract Means to Me" talk to our Club, May 2021. We are planning to collaborate on other activities in the Fall.
- Young Professionals discussed future gathering post Covid-19: Adrian John, Jesse Perkins, Jennifer Younger, Brian Turnbull, Matt Marshall, Brandon Fleming, Jeff Johnson, Marisa Boggel, Thai Nguyen, Chris Giles, Maureen Ewing, Kimberly Berry, Adrian John, Nate Tepp, Alhagie Jallow, and Gerald Macheso.
- A "New Member" get together for our newer members was hosted June 22. Dave Spicer, Chair. New members invited are Kimberly Berry, Felicia Cross, Doug Frick, Ellen Frick, Marilee Fuller, Bill Herkes, Sheila Hosner, Tony Ives, Susan Locke, Matt Marshall, Brian Turnbull, Kathy Warner, Joe Whitford, Marisa Broggel, Lisa Edwards, Jeff Werthan, Rick Jones, Gerald Macheso, Jeff Johnson, and Alhagie Jallow.
- During the year, our Club received information on grants awarded to eight non-profit community organizations and 11 International Rotary Clubs for projects in other countries, plus the two Global Grants, at our meetings and/or through our club bulletin.

My sincere "Thank You" to members serving on our Committees and to those chairs who presided over the many Zoom meetings, plus the many who served behind the scenes--especially, Marilee Fuller and Carma McKay, who navigated all through the new mode of meetings! And "Thank You" to our Club Service Providers, Club Board Officers and Club Board of Directors, Service Fund Board and Officers, chairs and members of Membership, Youth Services, Vocational Services, Rotarian of the Day, Community and International Service Committees, as well as members who helped us with Communications/Public Relations/Meeting Services.

It was an historic time and we all came through it for, as Rotarians know, we are here together to unite and take action to create lasting change—across the globe, in our communities and in ourselves.

Thank You, University District Rotary Club, for the opportunity to serve as your President 2020-2021.

*Brenda R. Dimond*





*Eat, drink, enjoy live jazz on a gorgeous summer evening,  
Say 'Hello' in person...all for a great cause*

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# Happy Hour 4 Good is Back!



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**Thursday, July 15 6-8 PM**  
**Center for Wooden Boats**

out on the dock @  
1010 Valley St  
Seattle 98109  
(next to MOHAI)

All are welcome. Register online.  
[www.happyhour4good.org](http://www.happyhour4good.org) \$45

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## **Diversity Equity Inclusion Corner** (by Jeff Werthan)

### Canada Day

July 1st is Canada Day, which until 39 years ago was known as Dominion Day. On July 1, 1867, a Dominion was formed through the British North America Act. The Act divided Canada into various areas (provinces) and allowed for the addition of additional provinces. The Act served as Canada's Constitution. It wasn't until 1982 when Britain repatriated the Act to Canada, that Canada became a fully independent country. At that time, the name of the holiday became Canada Day. The day is celebrated with parades, food, family gatherings, displays of the flag and the singing of "O Canada", the Canadian national anthem. Sound familiar?



### Invitation to Join DEI Task Force and Peacebuilder Committee

A big shout out to Son Michael Pham and Tom Andrew for their contributions at last week's club meeting on behalf of your DEI Task Force. Both the Task Force and the Peacebuilder Committee are always looking for new members with ideas. If you are interested, please contact me at: [jmwdog@gmail.com](mailto:jmwdog@gmail.com)

### National Food Days

Last week I posed the question as to where is the best Seattle sushi and the best Seattle fudge. No fudge referrals yet, but I've heard about Sushi Kappo Tamara in the Eastlake neighborhood and Kisaku in Tangle town (Wallingford/Greenlake). Let us know.



## 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 devils advocate.

Our group is based upon a similar group in Portland, OR, that Sala Sweet has been attending every Saturday. Sala brought Portland to my attention, and I started attending as well. Their large group (usually 35-50 attendees) has been meeting for awhile and they have branched out to work with many Portland area based organizations. They have also broken down their Saturday group into several smaller groups that are able to concentrate on different aspects of social justice.

With Sala in the lead, we started a similar group here in Seattle. Since our first meeting last November 7, 2020, our speakers have included a combination of educators, state representatives and other elected officials, community spokespersons/organizations, corporate spokespersons, and police and police reform advocates. **This Saturday, June 26, we will be hearing from Bellevue Police Chief Steve Mylett. Bellevue is a big city with big city problems, and we want to hear from the Chief about public safety, police handling of mental health calls, updated police training, etc. If you have an hour before taking part in District 5030 activities, come join us.**

For a lively way to start your Saturday, visit us from 9:00-10:00. If you would like the link, please let me know (jmwdog@gmail.com or 425-802-1028). I can also include you on the Portland link if you would like.

## Malaria Partners Video *(by Jenny Andrews, Executive Director, Malaria Partners International)*

Malaria Partners International recently worked with Rotarian-led RB Content Lab to create a video illustrating the impact of malaria, the world's most deadly disease, and how Rotarians are mobilizing to lead the fight to end this disease. I know you will enjoy watching it because it touches on Partners for a Malaria-Free Zambia, Rotary International's first Programs of Scale recipient. This project was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Federal Way in District 5030 so we should all be very proud of the project and the enormous effort that went into working with partners to turn Rotary's \$2 million into a \$6 million project by including the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and World Vision. Enjoy and feel free to share widely in your circles and on social media! Watch the video here:

[MPI | Rotary on Vimeo](#)

BTW, the video was created and produced by RB Content Lab led by Rotarian Rich Martin of the Bellevue Breakfast RC. Great job Rich!



**Malaria  
Partners  
International**

[Note from Rosemary Aragon: Our club has helped fund two malaria prevention projects—one in Zambia in 2012-13 and one in Uganda in 2014-15—contributing \$4,000 to each one. University District Rotarians who have served on the Board of Malaria Partners International (formerly known as Rotary Malaria Partners) include Rosemary, Ezra Teshome, Ray Connell and Sala Sweet.]

## 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.





## LEARN ABOUT ROTARY, REFUGEES, AND GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT ANNUAL MEETING OF THE RAG FOR REFUGEES, FORCED DISPLACEMENT AND MIGRATION & THE ROTARY FELLOWSHIP FOR GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT

**Webinar, Saturday June 26, 2021 - 10:00 am to 11:30 pm EST**

To attend, please register [here](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8TH9P6Z) (the link is <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8TH9P6Z>).

We will send the zoom link to those registered by June 25 COB.



**Carol Pandak, PolioPlus Director, Rotary International:** What have we learned in this pandemic year and how has Rotary been able to help?



**Cristal Montanez, Hope for Venezuelan refugees:** Providing emergency assistance to the caminantes



**Rose Cardarelli, Rotary International Representative to UNICEF:** What is the Global Refugee Forum and why does it matter?



**Rich Carson, Rotary International Representative to the OAS:** A new partnership between Rotary and the OAS to support refugees



**Christine Kaddous, Rotary International Representative in Geneva:** Insights from the latest Global Displacement report from UNHCR.



**Diane Rish, Secretary of the RAG for refugees:** Brainstorming about ideas for the Rotary year 2021-22



**Paul Mushaho, Rotary Peace Fellow:** From the Navikale refugee settlement to Makerere University



**Sarah Nadiv, Secretary of the Rotary Fellowship for Global Development:** Brainstorming about ideas for the Rotary year 2021-22



**Jean-Louis Nguyen Qui, Rotarian surgeon:** Proving medical care for the Rohingyas in Bangladesh



**Quentin Wodon, RAG for Refugees & Rotary Fellowship for Global Development:** Knowledge as a catalyst for action





## University Temple Methodist razes building to return as reimagined community hub

*(from church news release)*

A significant change took place in the University District last Friday when the nearly-century-old University Temple United Methodist Church building on 43rd and 15th NE was demolished to make way for a new, re-imagined ministry and community space on the same property.

Our thanks to the church community for providing the following information.

The University Temple United Methodist Church community is partnering with a student housing developer to build a podium of three stories for the reimagined church, below two new student housing towers—one on the north end at 22 stories high and the one to the south at 14 stories. While construction is under way, the church has moved to temporary locations for office and storage at the University Bookstore and worship in the adjacent University Masonic Lodge on 'The Ave.'



*University Temple Methodist comes down (photo by Rosemary Aragon)*

"We have chosen to follow an exciting dream. We will repurpose our historic church building to move into a more sustainable future," said Larry Erickson, chairperson of the church's building committee.

The new building will include space for an all-ages live performance venue, offices, library, chapel, service project area, and a parish hall. The new sanctuary will feature a large art piece consisting of textured clear and colored glass, lit by the natural light of the eastern sky. On the corner of 43rd and 15th NE, there will be a café "to serve our neighbors on campus and beyond," Erickson said.

The decision to take down the old building came after many years of study and the realization that upgrades to its electrical, heating, and plumbing systems, as well as the need for a new roof and major seismic and accessibility upgrades, would drain funds that could otherwise be spent serving its mission of service and worship.

Present and former congregants attended a reunion last year to say goodbye to a treasured piece of history and to celebrate its future. On Friday, the church invited its community to witness the coming down of the old building.

Prior to the move, treasured items were handled with care. The sanctuary pipe organ was disassembled and shipped to Tennessee where it will be refurbished, stored, shipped back, and eventually installed in the new sanctuary. The beloved stained-glass windows were removed by Earthwise to be available to others for repurposing. The favorite "Children's Window" will be placed in the new building library. The chapel organ was sold and is installed in a church in California, and the chapel stained-glass windows were installed at the Epiphany Parish of Seattle in the Madrona neighborhood. The playground equipment was placed with a startup day care in Maple Leaf. All wood, cast iron, light fixtures, etc. were carefully removed for useful salvage. In short, every appliance, all metal pieces and fixtures were removed and donated to various organizations such as Habitat for Humanity and interested individuals.

The tenants formerly housed within the church building who provide services to the community have all successfully relocated. University Temple contributed financially toward tenant moving and resettlement expenses. Of particular interest to our club, the ROOTS homeless youth shelter has moved to a new location on 19th in the district. University Temple Children's School has relocated to University Heights Community Center. The new church, when completed, will be resurrected as a community hub. To help guide these transition efforts, the church appointed the Rev. Paul Ortiz new lead pastor. He comes to the University Temple community with several years of experience in cultivating multiethnic, queer inclusive, justice centered spiritual communities in the urban setting.

Contacts: Rev. Paul Ortiz at [paul.ortiz@utemple.org](mailto:paul.ortiz@utemple.org) and Larry Erickson at [larryderickson@gmail.com](mailto:larryderickson@gmail.com)





## Upcoming Club Activities

- Sat.** 9:00-10:00 am. Rotarian Ad Hoc Social Justice Group. For link, contact Jeff Werthen: [jmwdog@gmail.com](mailto:jmwdog@gmail.com).
- Jul 7** 6:00-7:30 pm. Join International District Rotary Club for dinner at Tai Tung restaurant, 655 S. King St., Seattle. Good way to chat with Rotarians you've never met or haven't seen in a long time. If you are interested, please let Jeff Werthan know by Monday, June 28, at [jmwdog@gmail.com](mailto:jmwdog@gmail.com).
- Jul 13** Aug 12, Sept 13, Oct 14 12:00-1:00. Peacebuilder Committee meeting. Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82611326233?pwd=Rkd4M292dnA2R2pCMmt0TkhdXhldz09>  
Meeting ID: 826 1132 6233 Passcode: 9sd3fn
- July 20** Aug 17, Sept 21, Oct 19 12:00-1:00. DEI Task Force meeting. Contact: Jeff Werthan, [jmwdog@gmail.com](mailto:jmwdog@gmail.com).
- Oct 1-3** Rotary District 5030 in-person conference, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Info/registration: [District 5030 Conference](#)
- Oct 2** 2021 Walk to End Alzheimers. Register here: [2021 Walk to End Alzheimer's - Seattle](#) | [Walk to End Alzheimer's](#)

## Please Donate to The Rotary Foundation Annual Fund by June 30, 2021

The mission of The Rotary Foundation (TRF) is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.

Giving to the TRF Annual Fund provides a pool of funds that are used to match club and District funds for large projects that clubs sponsor. Three current examples of projects receiving such matching funds that are supported by our club are: A well in Hossana, Ethiopia, that will serve 3,000 village residents; solar power for lighting in a new rural school in Tanzania; and project to provide pumping and water tanks to restore water service for Boys Town in Kingston, Jamaica.



The Ethiopia project is a Global Grant sponsored by Dave Spicer and Ezra Teshome, in collaboration with the Addis Ababa-West Rotary Club. This is a \$76,245 project that will receive \$22,000 from District 5030, and an additional \$22,000 from TRF as a match for the District contribution. All of this \$44,000 actually comes from TRF, since the District receives annual funds from TRF based on donations from Rotarians in our District three years prior.

The Tanzania project is a \$22,000 District Grant project, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Seattle International District, to which our club is also a contributor. It received \$8,000 in District matching funds. Club sponsors are Joe Whitford and Dale Smith.

The Jamaica project is a \$123,500 Global Grant project, sponsored by Raymond Connell and Ezra Teshome. It received \$25,000 in District matching funds and \$49,500 in TRF World Fund matching.

As Dale Smith noted a few weeks ago in a Foundation presentation to our club members, our club's Foundation giving has been lower this year than in the past two years. Our goal is \$18,000 and we're still \$4,419 short. He emphasized that any donation amount is welcome.

For club members who haven't already donated to the Foundation this Rotary year (July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021), there are **three ways to donate**:

1. Create an account at [my.rotary.org](http://my.rotary.org) where you can manage your donations. (Contact Dale, Ezra or Son Michael for help if needed.)
2. Ask Dale, Ezra or Son Michael to mail or email you a paper form for one-time or recurring donations.
3. Send a check made out to The Rotary Foundation to Son Michael Pham, P.O. Box 24, Bellevue, WA 98009.

For more information and help with donations:

- Son Michael Pham, email: [sonmichael.kwb@gmail.com](mailto:sonmichael.kwb@gmail.com), mobile: 206-484-4830
- Ezra Teshome, email: [eztesh@gmail.com](mailto:eztesh@gmail.com), mobile: 206-391-0326
- Dale Smith, email: [dsmith@nsrc.org](mailto:dsmith@nsrc.org), mobile: 541-521-7565