

University District Rotary Club Bulletin

Wednesday, September 22, 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? pwd=MINva2dodXZJM2N NZjZsbWhjYzNiZz09

When: Fridays

Lunch: 12:00-12:30 pm Business: 12:30-1:00 pm Program: 1:00-1:30 pm

Future Programs

Oct 1

Leela Fernandez-UW Jackson School

Oct 8

Bruce Harrell and Lorena Gonzalez-candidates for Seattle Mayor

Oct 15

Howard Cohen, District Governor

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

Program for September 24

Roger Goodman Legislature Efforts and Police Reform



Representative Roger Goodman, a long-time member of the University District Rotary Club, is serving his seventh term in the Washington State Legislature, representing the 45th District, which includes the Seattle suburbs of Kirkland and Redmond. Roger serves as Chair of the House Public Safety Committee, with oversight of the criminal justice system. He is also a senior member of the House Judiciary Committee. His legislative work has focused on reforming police practices and criminal sentencing, reducing drunk driving and the harm from domestic violence, and also expanding

early childhood education programs.

Nationally, Roger serves as Chair of the Law and Criminal Justice Committee of the National Conference of State Legislatures and the Public Safety Task Force of the Council of State Governments.

An attorney and criminal justice expert, Roger directed Washington's Sentencing Guidelines Commission in the late 1990s and he previously served in the 1980s and 1990s on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C. as Legislative Director, Counsel and Chief of Staff for two senior Democratic Members of Congress.

Roger is admitted to practice law in Washington State and Rhode Island, the First and Ninth Federal Circuits and the United States Supreme Court. He received an A.B. degree as a Senior Fellow from Dartmouth College; a J.D. degree from the George Washington University; and an M.P.A. degree from Harvard University, where he concentrated on social policy issues, including criminal justice, public health, education reform and economic security.

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 Afghanis 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



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).

Raymond A. Connell, President





Since 1990 our UDRC has enjoyed the opportunity to usher at Husky football games. We are paid for our hourly work at about \$125 per usher, per game, so by the season end we usually earn in excess of \$8,000 for our Club's projects. We're able to bring 10 ushers per game.

In the first two games we've had just 6 Rotary ushers so have lost out on about \$1,000 for future projects. Our third game is this coming Saturday, Sept. 25, against our first Pac-12 opponent, the Cal Bears. If you have a chance to join us, or perhaps someone you know would like to usher with our group, please let

Dale Hicklin (dalebroker@comcast.net) or Son Michael (sonmichael.kwb@gmail.com) know; even Rotaractors are welcome. Ushers must be vaccinated and over

18 years of age to work.



Help us show up with our full crew of 10 for this game, which begins at 6:30 pm.
The weather report calls for 73 degrees and sunshine!





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.

Volunteer Opportunity-Build Tiny Houses

(by Howard Cohen, District 5030 Governor)

I am hosting a monthly Tiny House building project on the third Sunday of each month starting Sunday, September 19. Each event needs about 15 people, so please contact me directly (https://ncohen@clisehotels.com) if you want to participate. The event is held at the Sound Foundations warehouse from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM at 5 S. Nevada St., Seattle 98134 in SODO.



Building tiny homes. Building community.

International Service Committee News (by Sheila Hosner, ISC Chair)

The International Service Committee met on Saturday, August 21, and developed a process to review grants this year that is a bit different from years past. We think it will be helpful to you and make our work more effective.

First, we are asking anyone planning a grant applications to submit a one-to-two page "pre-application" **by September 30.** This would be done using the *International 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 ISC to provide early feedback to the applicants and budget and plan ahead.

Second, this year we are 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 <u>full</u> application <u>by October 15</u>. 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



International Day of Peace is Sept. 21—Peace Activities (by Sala Sweet)

1. Partnering for Peace is an organization, formed in 2015 - a collaboration between the US Peace Corps and Rotary International. Learn more about how our organizations and individuals from each community can help each other and create more robust projects.



Register for one or all three webinars during this celebratory week: The WEEK Webinars (partneringforpeace.org)

Monday, Sept 20, 6:30 pm EDT: John Hewko (RI) and Carol Spahn (PC) will discuss the partnership and their vision of where it goes from here

Wednesday, Sept 22, 6:30 pm EDT: First person stories from Rotarians who became PCVs

Friday, Sept 24, 6:30 pm EDT: Showcasing Rotary – Peace Corps projects

2. Rotary Positive Peace Academy. This academy is a collaboration between Rotary International and the Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP). It addresses what infrastructures are necessary after the cessation of violence to maintain sustainable peace.

Meet Positive Peace, the transformational framework.

Created by international think tank the Institute for Economics & Peace, this **free short course** introduces the transformational framework Positive Peace. Learn how Positive Peace is associated with better performance on ecological sustainability, improved wellbeing, stronger GDP growth rates and better business outcomes.

- Free 3-4 hour course
- End violence and war. Create the pillars that support sustainable positive peace.

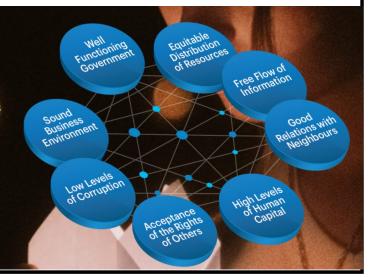
Club members who take the course and are interested in discussing it in November can contact Sala Sweet at salasweet13@gmail.com.

Get started for free by registering here: Sign Up free - Rotary Positive Peace Academy v2.0 (wpengine.com)

What will I learn?

Through this academy, you will strengthen your knowledge and identify concrete ways to enhance and engage in Rotary's work in peace and conflict resolution and the Areas of Focus – all via a Positive Peace lens.

- Learn the definition of peace and how it is measured
- Understand the 8 Pillars of Positive Peace
- > Find out how it builds long term societal resilience
- Learn from Positive Peace projects all over the world
- 12 lessons of on-demand video and interactive content





Volunteer Opportunity for Rotarians (from Marilee Fuller)



Rainier Valley Food Bank needs volunteer drivers to help deliver 200 bags of groceries per week to neighborhood families. Driver shifts are on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays 10 am-3 pm. If you can drive once a month or more, please contact RVFB at volunteer@rvfb.org.

The Food Bank is also looking for volunteers for grocery packing on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays 9 am-1 pm. You can sign up through their Web site by clicking here: Apply To Volunteer - Rainier Valley Food Bank (rvfb.org).

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

As discussed at our club meeting on August 27, 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

Marella will be at the September 24 meeting and can collect donated items to take to ROOTS.

Three Rotarians Share Their Thoughts on Peace

In recognition of International Day of Peace, three of our club members shared their thoughts:

- "Peace" means that everyone's basic needs are met, and that each person feels supported in being themselves, without expecting or demanding that anyone else be or act any specific way. It means everyone is comfortable enough to be able to coexist with others, whether or not they agree on practical or ideological issues, and that it's possible to calmly discuss differences in perspectives and opinion.
- I see Peace, both on the personal level and societal level, as describing a state of being that allows the individual and the society to live in a space where there is minimal negative stress and maximum opportunity for all to live one's life in the manner desired, without adversely affecting the ability of all others to do the same. Similarly, Peace is the state where every individual has basic needs met
- Peace means to me hiking outdoors with my boyfriend. Mother Nature is a great refresher and always helps me clear my head.



So What Happened This Week? (by Jeff Werthan)

Sept. 24, 1957—President Dwight Eisenhower sent federal troops to Little Rock, Arkansas, to enforce school integration.

Sept. 25, 1513—Spanish explorer Vasco Núñez de Balboa was the first European to spot the Pacific Ocean.

Sept. 27, 1964—The Warren Commission, tasked with reviewing the facts behind the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, issued its report concluding that there had been only one shooter in Dallas on November 22, 1963.

Birthdays

Sept. 21, 1947—Novelist Stephen King

Sept. 24, 1896—Novelist F. Scott Fitzgerald

Sept. 24, 1755—John Marshall, fourth Chief Justice of the serving Chief Justice (34 years)



Little Rock school integration



U.S. Supreme Court and the longest

Seattle Center Festival



Seattle Center will host The Italian Festival on September 25/26. This festival will offer a spotlight on Italy, with food, wine, music, art, dance and musings - and uniquely Italian spirit. Remember COVID restrictions are in effect and also note that the Monorail is closed for construction.

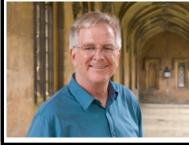
Invitation to Join Rotarian Ad Hoc Social Justice Group (by Jeff Werthan)

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.



On Saturday, September 25, we will hear from Det. Denise "Cookie" Bouldin of the Seattle Police Department. Det. Bouldin has been with the department since the '80s. She has always had a passion for working with youth, and to that end, she established a Detective Cookie Chess Club. Her story is amazing. I hope you will join us. For the link, please reach out to me: jmwdog@gmail.com.

For a lively way to start your Saturday, visit us from 9:00 to10:00 a.m.



Rick Steves Mentions Rotary in *The New Yorker* Magazine (from Kay Rodriguez)

In a recent interview by *The New Yorker*, Rich Steves mentions just having given a talk to a Rotary Club that morning—about post-COVID travel. It was probably the talk he gave to our club virtually on August 6. Read the article at: Rick Steves Says Hold On to Your Travel Dreams | The New Yorker





ROOTS Young Adult Shelter



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

<u>This virtual and live event is about one thing:</u> 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 2 2021 Walk to End Alzheimers. Register at: 2021 Walk to End Alzheimer's - Seattle | Walk to End Alzheimer's

Oct 14 12:00-1:00. Peacebuilder Committee meeting. Join Zoom Meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82611326233?pwd=Rkd4M292dnA2R2pCMmt0TkhDaXhIdz09

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 30 Deadline for receipt of International Service Committee applications. If you would like a mentor, please submit application by Oct. 15. Application can be found on club Website (click link on page 1 of this bulletin) under Member Information. More 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.

DEI - **Our DEI Task Force seeks new members** who are interested in promoting Diversity, Equity, Inclusion in all of our club's committees and operations. Help us promote our Minority Owned Business Initiative (MOBI) by inviting owners of businesses in the U District and surrounding area to speak at our Friday Club Meetings and have a profile in the weekly Bulletin. Let us know your thoughts about ways that we can incorporate DEI into everything that our club does. If you interested, please send me an email: jmwdog@gmail.com (Jeff Werthan).

October 2 U District Light Rail Station Opening Update (by Rick Jones)

The October 2 opening of the new U District Light Rail Station is fast approaching. Since the cancellation of the District 5030 conference, several Rotarians have stepped forward to participate in this event. At present, there is no specific plan for how we will participate. With the renewed interest in attending, I have reached out to Katy Ricchiuto, the UDBIA event manager, and offered our services as a support staff to their



Originally, three of us planned to attend, smile and hand out promotional UDRC information in the hope of attracting some new membership from the local



business community. I will email to update any Rotarian who has reached out to express their interest. You can find me at rick.jones@schooleymitchell.com or 206.284.1888.

Photos of finishing touches to the U District Station, by Wolfgang Kluge.



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.

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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.