



# LAKE OSWEGO SPOKESMAN

Rotary



Like You Were There

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**WHO CALLED US TO ORDER: OUR PRESIDENT, NELL DIAMOND**



### The Four Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

- Is it the Truth?
- Is it Fair to all Concerned?
- Will it Build Goodwill and Better Friendships?
- Will it be Beneficial to All Concerned?

**WHO LED US IN THE PLEDGE:**



Bill Ramirez



2019 Rotary Christmas Party



6 years in Brussels, Belgium



10 years in Lausanne, Switzerland



4 Years in Hong Kong



## Bill Ramirez

Rotarian Bill Ramirez led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. He is a Paul Harris Fellow and a sustaining member of our Club since 2013. Serving as Adjunct Professor, Bill taught for 11 years at the Portland State University. His wife Roberta and Bill have moved to West Linn in 2008 and have volunteered for 11 years both at Oregon Humane Society and Oregon Zoo. Their volunteer efforts have been suspended this year because of the pandemic.

Bill was born in Texas, went to Texas Tech Univ and received BBA in Accounting, and then went to Law School at University of Iowa. Later he moved to Chicago for work during the times when Bill Draznik, who was playing football in the same town! His professional career spans across many states in the United States.

Bill and Roberta got married in Feb 1987, and on March 5<sup>th</sup> they headed to Brussels in Belgium and lived there for six years; then, they lived 10 years in Lausanne, Switzerland, and four years in Hong Kong, making it 20 years living outside the United States. In Brussels, he was a European Tax Breaker for Levi Strauss, in Switzerland an International Tax Council for Phillip Morris that later transferred him to Hong Kong as Asian Tax Director. The images show where they stayed in abroad!



# Happy Thanksgiving!

## UPCOMING EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

- **Tonight (11/23)! 5:00 Peacebuilders Meeting – Roger Hennagin**
- **Social Justice book discussions – postponed until December 3rd**
  - ✓ Noon reading hosted by Rick Czerniejewski - Isabelle Wilkerson's book: *Caste*
  - ✓ 4pm book Hosted by Curtis Schade - Starting December 10<sup>th</sup> – New book discussion! The 4 pm James Baldwin's book, *If Beale Street Could Talk*
- **WINE TASTING HOLIDAY PARTY AND DINNER! Time to register, just a few days left! Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, Holiday Dinner and Wine Pairing!**

All meetings are currently via Zoom. If you need contact info, please check our [lorotary.org](http://lorotary.org) website, or email Nell and she will forward to the organizer.  
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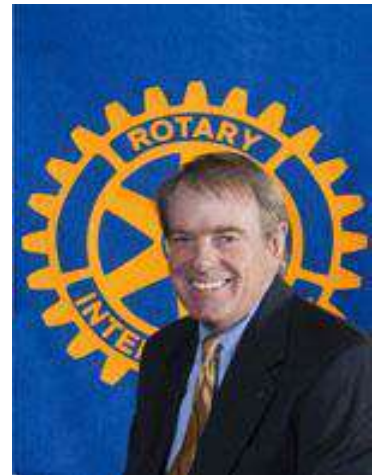
## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Rotarians of the Month!

Thank you for partnering with Molalla Rotary and organizing the tool drives that benefit our neighboring communities affected by the devastating wildfires.



**Bob Liddell**



**Roger Hennagin**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Rotarians Together- *Out and About! Send your photos!*

The moment you realize you're not the boss...



Tina Colson and Tony in Cabo, Mexico riding a camel (left) and drinking a very large margarita (right)! They had a 25-minute plenty, bumpy, memorable ride and a fabulous time in Mexico.

## Rotarians Together- *Out and About! Send your photos!*

This week, featuring a special achievement!  
Not the first time for John DeCosta!  
John DeCosta had eight Holes-in-One!



## Rotarians Together- *Out and About! Send your photos!*

Mark Waller's Swim Buddies in Hawaii!  
He is vacationing there with Gail.



Carlos Wildham, a snowbird, has taken an amazing Sunset in Arizona!





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### Three Rotarians With Health Challenges:

Please send your Healing Thoughts and Prayers!



Dave Peterson,  
Sergeant at Arms.



Sharon "Mimi" Starr Living  
in France, former District  
Governor, Honorary Club  
Member



Dave Beckett, Rotary  
Foundation Chair

### Rotarians Together- Out and About! Send your photos! This week featuring a special achievement!



Laurie Carlson with friend Barbara, Lal Bhatia, John DeCosta and Malcolm Mathes. John DeCosta had eight Holes-in-One, so he had to pay \$100 fine to the Club for bragging about his remarkable achievement!

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Brags and Boasts: Peter Glazer served as Honorary Sargent!

- Roger & Lynn Hennagin: \$10 for their granddaughter being accepted in a residency program
- John DeCosta: \$100 for making eight Holes-In-One.
- Laurie Carlson: \$10 for watching John make eight Holes-In-One.
- Scott Haven: \$10 for feeling guilty and envying John DeCosta.
- Dave Wolf: \$50 for the engagement of his friend; he served as a decoy and asked her for his friend, a brave thing to do!
- Peter Glazer: \$20 for Joe Buck becoming a next Mayer of Lake Oswego.
- Daniel Myer: \$50 for his son-in-law being accepted a Fellowship at Harvard; a first for OHSU.
- Dave Beckett: \$\$ for his daughter expecting a child and him to be a granddad again.
- Michael Dotten: \$50 for Peter introducing to his wife on her 29<sup>th</sup> birthday, 26 years ago!
- Ted Rick's: \$\$ for his son's company Eli Lilly introduced a successful antibody therapy against Covid-19 (got approved by FDA) and an article published in New York Times.

**\*We apologize for any inadvertent mistakes. To increase the SIZE or add a new boast, ask Peter for assessment!\***

## Community Service- School Supplies Fund Drive Kickoff!

Dr. Bill Korach pleaded for dollar donations to buy school supplies for the struggling families (13%) in our school districts. A minimum donation of \$60/member was requested. Bill and Ron first donated \$200 each and challenged other members to match the amount. See the list of donors pledged to donate in the following amounts towards school supplies or Hunger Fighters. We urge you to donate by visiting [lakeoswegorotary.org](http://lakeoswegorotary.org) and clicking "Please Donate!" tab on the front page.



**HELP ROTARY HELP STUDENTS**

Your donations will help local students with school supplies and gift cards!

**DONATE NOW!**

Please visit the Rotary Club of Lake Oswego donation page at <https://bit.ly/2W4nF6d>. There is a special tab for \$60 and "School Supply Fund." Or, you can send a donation to:

Rotary Club of Lake Oswego  
School Supply Drive  
P.O. Box 94  
Lake Oswego, OR 97034

For more information, visit the website at <http://www.lakeoswegorotary.org>.

2020 has been especially tough on a lot of families in Lake Oswego with school-aged children navigating the new learning environments, along without having all the resources available in person. We are asking fellow Rotarians to support the school supply drive this year in place of holiday food baskets.

The supply hardship is real and there are families in our community with school-aged kids struggling to keep up with basic school needs. In conjunction with the LOSD Foundation and district counselors, we will help provide those supplies to children in need.

Backpacks have been generously donated via Malcolm's son and now it is time to fill them up! We need a \$60 donation from each club member to help level the playing field for kids who don't have the luxury to take basic school supplies for granted.

Donations will also be used to further the food/gift card drive that we do throughout the year providing cards to families in need.

Donor's Name	SS	Cause
Bill Korach	\$200	School Supplies
Alan Bazzaz	\$200	School Supplies
Andrew Edwards	\$100	School Supplies
Bill Irvine	\$100	School Supplies
Craig Childress	\$200	School Supplies
Dan Meyer	\$100	School Supplies
Dave Beckett	\$100	School Supplies
John DeCosta	\$100	School Supplies
Kevin Costello	\$200	School Supplies
Lal Bhata	\$200	School Supplies
Linda Brown	\$200	School Supplies
Mark Waller	\$200	School Supplies
Mike Dotten	\$100	School Supplies
Mike Gershon	\$100	School Supplies
Paul Graham	\$100	School Supplies
Rob LeChevallier	\$100	School Supplies
Roger/Lynn Hennagin	\$500	School Supplies
Ron Herring	\$200	School Supplies
Scott Havens	\$100	School Supplies
Terrl Childress	\$200	School Supplies
Thimmappa Anekonda	\$200	Hunger Fighters
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Tony Ciavarelli	\$\$	School Supplies
Vic Keeler	\$100	School Supplies
Roland Ghazal	\$500	Hunger Fighters
Tina	\$100	School supplies

**\*We apologize for any inadvertent mistakes in this list. If you are really mad at us, please double up on your donation!\***



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Out and About! Rotaract Bottle Drive-DROPOFF at Heritage House- Was a big success! 37 Bags! Thank You!**

**Next drive is Saturday, December 19th!  
Proceeds go to local charities, and the Oregon Food Bank. They are thinking of donating some amount to our Club initiatives as well.**



**Willamette Rotaract**  
Rotary Club Partner



**This Saturday, November 28<sup>th</sup> in the Lakewood Parking Lot 9am-11am  
Second Tool Collection for Fire Victims! Contact Bob Liddell or Roger Hennagin**



**Upcoming Rotary: Lakewood Cleanup! Saturday, November 28<sup>th</sup>**



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Holiday Rotarian Dinner and Moffett Vineyards Wine Tasting Event! Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. ALL ORDERS ARE DUE BY NOV 26TH, 2020 AT 7:00PM.

HOLIDAY ROTARIAN DINNER AND WINE TASTING EVENT

**\$25/Couple!**

**Saturday, December 5, 2020**

Pick up at the Lakewood between 5:30-6:00. Dinner via ZOOM at 6:30

**Dinner Option #1**

Roast beef dinner with sautéed mushrooms and onions  
homemade red skinned mashed potatoes and brown gravy

petite sweet corn

dinner salad

garlic toast

For dessert: a slice of cheesecake with strawberries

**Dinner Option #2**

Grilled Alaskan wild caught salmon dinner

rice pilaf

Braised broccoli

garlic toast

dinner salad

For dessert: a slice of cheesecake with strawberries



Experience Moffett Vineyards with 4 wine tasters! As a small family producer of wines uniquely reflecting their roots from both Willamette and Napa Valley. Their winery is dedicated to both making the highest quality wines of limited production while emphasizing strong personal relationships with our customers through their wine club and tastings at their Terrarossa Vineyard in the Dundee Hills.

Tickets are \$25 per couple: <https://rotary-club-of-lake-oswego.square.site/>

## Take Out Thursday, all week!

This week we are supporting our local restaurants during Thanksgiving week. *Skip the cooking!*



## Thanksgiving Take-Out Options



*Thank you, Sue Linnerooth!*

### Gubanc's Thanksgiving Menu

turkey takeout

**\$25 per person**

Roasted Brined Turkey

Cream of Pumpkin Soup

with cardamom cream

Candied Maple Sweet Potatoes

Ginger Orange Cranberries

Green Bean & Wild Mushroom Casserole

House-made Cloverleaf Dinner Rolls

**Homemade 9" Pies (\$25 each).**

Pumpkin Cheesecake Pie

Classic Apple Pie

**\$18 Personal Turkey Pot Pie**



## GUESTS AND VISITING ROTARIANS

- Paul van Roon, a Rotarian moved to Lake Oswego from San Diego Rotary Club (Kevin Costello's Guest). He is ready to join our Club!
- Laurie Carlson, Visiting from East Portland Rotary and an honorary guest of our Club. She is the first past District Governor of District 5100.
- Cindie Glazer, a guest and wife of Peter Glazer.

## FEATURED SPEAKER: NICOLE (NIKI) FORBES

### Topic: "Wrapping Up Your Yard and Garden for Winter."



Nicole (Niki) Forbes was introduced by Paul Grahams. Niki is the longtime face of Dennis' 7 Dees Garden Center with a 25 years history of Portland gardening and over 20 years of successful employment at the Center. She took many additional projects like Tomato Testing, Tasting Festival, and teaching gardening classes at the Center, all making sure her skills match with her passion for the plant world. Niki reached a level, even her boss and the company president texts her about the mystery plant identification. Her abundant energy also runs to kayaking and bird chasing.

Niki once applied for the Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholarship that she wasn't accepted, but she has the fond memory of the process. Over the years she has spoken a few times to our Rotary Club providing insights into healthy gardening.

One of the tips for winter garden cleanup people like to hear is whether to leave the fallen leaves in the yard (on the beds) or rake up and take them away, said Niki. According to Niki, the cycle of removing the fallen leaves in fall and needing to add black mulch organic fertilizer in spring to provide nutrients actually causes lot of extra work. The fallen leaves are meant to decompose and re-fertilize the soil around plants and provide mulch to prevent germination of weed seeds naturally. People want and try to attract birds and butterflies to their garden by planting all sorts of special plants. The removal of foliage in fall may cause the removal of over wintering butterfly cocoons or shelter for beneficial insects like lady bugs or potential foraging material (inset, seeds, etc.) for little birds. A minimal garden cleanup on the contrary may help restore all these benefits and provide a good habitat for the wildlife in your garden. If the leaves are big and exceed the size of your palm are better off shredded and spread on the soil for easy decomposing, or rake them up into big piles and let them dry up before breaking or let them decompose a bit before spreading. Small leaves are perfect for letting them stay on the soil for *in situ* decomposing. Another activity to do is fall and winter fertilizing for lawns. It is a great time to apply lime to your turf grass to raise the soil pH and discourage moss growth on the lawn. Also, this is the time to look for plant or tree branches that may cause storm damage and remove them; prune roses back to about waist height. Oil and clean your tools and be prepared going into the next season. Be ready with some blankets, burlaps, or old sheets for frost protecting your vulnerable plants like Daphne or other evergreens. Cloth is always better than plastic for covering soil, as plastic tends to heat up faster when sun comes up and causes rapid temperature swings for winter chilling plants. Niki went on to answer dozens of gardening questions from the membership. Thank you, Niki!