

Rotary



Club of Eugene

Dr Rick Kincaide

By Jennifer Geller on Monday, May 4, 2020

May 5th Zoom Rotary meeting. We will start gathering at noon, with the official meeting starting at 12:15. Our speaker tomorrow brings a great topic for these times and as we look to the future. Dr. Rick Kincaide will deliver a talk, Collective Impact: a transformative approach to solving community problems. Dr. Kincaide is practicing family physician and serves as the Medical Director of the Lane County Community Health Centers.

We Are Now On LinkedIn!

By Jennifer Geller on Sunday, May 3, 2020

After some trial and error, we figured out how to claim a page on LinkedIn for the ♦Rotary Club of Eugene. ♦ If you are on LinkedIn, please follow this page and list our club in your volunteer activities. If you have previously listed Rotary in your professional activities, edit your entry to connect with this page so you can see the messages that are posted and have the Rotary logo next to the entry on your personal page. We will use the page judiciously, with posts no more than once a week. Please follow our page and reshare posts from time to time to increase our club♦s profile on this site.

Rotarians Rock

By Jennifer Geller on Sunday, May 3, 2020

The pandemic has presented many challenges, but Rotarians step up. Our club has supported multiple efforts in the past few weeks that should make us all feel good about our club♦s response. Here are our local efforts so far:

- Artspark is moving online! This effort will allow art education to continue and provide paid work for our local Artist
- \$1000 to Eugene Education Fund to help vulnerable students♦ families
- \$1000 to Food for Lane County for food assistance
- \$1000 to Centro Latino for families in need
- \$3000 to Looking Glass for needs to serve unhoused youth including a washer and dryer and other supplies for a drop-in center

Our club is also supporting international efforts, one directly related to the pandemic:

- The International Community Service Committee will be utilizing \$2000 from their remaining budget to fund Corona Virus information initiatives in Tororo, Uganda.
- At the request of the Club♦s Board, the International Service Committee also considered an approved \$1000 to join with many other clubs on the West Coast

Club Donates \$24,000 For Teen Shelter

By Jennifer Geller on Sunday, May 3, 2020

Exciting news! As you have hopefully heard or read, local area Rotary clubs and presidents have been discussing joining to support a major local effort to support unhoused teens during the COVID-19 pandemic. Fifteenth Night♦s has been working with St. Vincent De Paul, United Way, local school districts and others to establish an emergency shelter for teens at the United Way Methodist Church. The shelter will be staffed 24 hours a day by SVDP and include resources allowing teens to complete coursework at area high schools. Area Rotary clubs have stepped up to support this effort with \$50,000 in support. **The Rotary Club of Eugene donated \$24,000 toward this effort, \$10,000 from our Charitable Trust and \$14,000 from club funds.** We are so fortunate that our club is able support this effort which responds to a pressing need during a time of crisis while still holding reserves and Charitable Trust funds for future projects.

Club Meeting

Eugene
Meets at Hotel Eugene
(formerly Hilton) (541) 342-2000
6th and Pearl 66 East 6th Street
Eugene, OR 97401
Time: Tuesday at 12:15 PM

Events

May 5th
[Online Club meeting](#)
May 12th
[Online Club meeting](#)
May 19th
[Online Club meeting](#)
May 26th
[Online Club meeting](#)
June 2nd
[Online Club meeting](#)

Club Leaders



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Club Executive Secretary
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Membership Chair



[David A. Frosaker](#)
Rotary Foundation Chair

[Ravitej Singh](#)

THANK YOU!!

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- **First Place Family Shelter Activity Kit Project:** We are delivering 6-12 simple arts activity kits each week for the First Place Family Shelter. Email Jennifer Geller, jennifergeller65@gmail.com, if you would like more information or if you would like to sign-up for a week. She will be delivering kits each Monday for at least the next 6 weeks.
- **Assist Southtowne Rotary with the assembly and delivery of food boxes** on Thursday afternoons: in partnership with Food for Lane County, this club is handing out and delivering food boxes to families. They need people to staff a site where people come to get boxes, as well as people to deliver boxes, all with safety protocols. They are especially in need of Spanish speakers. Contact is Camille Ronzio, 541-521-4816 or ajr60@comcast.net.
- **Mask making:** President of the Twin Rivers Club, Colleen Coulbourne is coordinating mask making, Mrsitsy@icloud.com
- **United Way** continues to provide a comprehensive list of volunteer and donation needs, in addition to coordinating a [COVID-19 Response Fund](#).
- **Positive Community Kitchen:** help yourself by helping others! Positive Community Kitchen is a local nonprofit that makes nutritious and tasty meals for those dealing with cancer. During the pandemic, they moved to providing freezer meals for their clients. They are also selling packages of meals to raise funds as their spring fundraisers have been cancelled. More information is on their facebook page or email, info@positivecommunitykitchen.org. Ten freezer meals come in a packet and are \$60. Meals can be delivered or picked up.
- Call your neighbors to check on them.
- Call Rotarians you think could use a call.

Club Highlights

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- **Fellowship Task Help:** we may be online, but we still need some help with meetings. [Please sign up via this link to be a greeter or provide an inspiration.](#)
- **Fifth Meeting:** On Monday, May 11th, 5-6 pm, we will hold our Fifth Meeting. Join in for a casual happy hour via zoom to check in about Rotary, especially if you haven't been able to meet during our regular time. Jennifer will send the link out this coming weekend.
- **Our Club Continues to Step Up:** Area Rotary Clubs will be supporting a joint COVID-19 project to provide a staffed 24-hour shelter at the United Methodist Church for unhoused teens. Fifteen Night is working with United Way and other nonprofits, including St. Vincent De Paul which will provide staffing and programming for the shelter. Resources will include technology to allow students to continue with coursework at area high schools. Contributions from area Rotary clubs to this project will total \$50,000, with \$14,000 from our club and \$10,000 for our charitable trust.
- **This joint club project is in addition to other amazing contributions our club has made in recent weeks:** Artspark moved online, supporting students and teaching artists; \$1000 to Eugene Education Fund to help vulnerable students' families; \$1000 to Food for Lane County; \$1000 to Centro Latino for families in need; \$3000 to Looking Glass for needs to serve unhoused youth; and delivery of weekly activity kits to First Place Family Shelter. The International Community Service Committee will be utilizing \$2000 from their remaining budget to fund coronavirus information initiatives in Torero, Uganda.
- **Thank you to Graduate staff:** The management at the Graduate helped identify the 5 staff members who are regularly involved in preparing and serving our lunches. The Board approved a thank you to them during this difficult time, and we will be giving each of them a \$200 gift card to Fred Meyer.
- Finally, here is [a video for classical music lovers](#) that is quite amazing in its own way.
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2019-2020



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Club Director-Club
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Birthdays

Robert Scott Impeccoven
May 5th
Diana Rae Bray
May 6th
Brent Allyn Johnson

Fred Meyer.

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Welcome to the Rotary Club of Eugene

Rotary is an organization of business and professional leaders united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world. Rotary club membership represents a cross-section of the community's business and professional men and women. The world's Rotary clubs meet weekly and are nonpolitical, nonreligious, and open to all cultures, races, and creeds. [More info.....](#)

Rotary membership provides the opportunity to: Become connected to your community. Work with others in addressing community needs. Interact with other professionals in your community; assist with RI's international humanitarian service efforts. Establish contacts with an international network of professionals. Develop leadership skills. Involve family in promoting service efforts. [More info.....](#)

Why are YOU a Rotarian?



Why did you become a Rotarian? What keeps you coming back? How does Rotary support your passions? What is your "two minute elevator speech" when people ask you what Rotary is all about? Send your stories to [Jennifer Schumann](#) for possible inclusion in the newsletter, facebook, and at meetings.



Short and sweet, a paragraph or less

"Having been raised with a strong sense of service, it has always been a passion of mine to make the world a better place. Through Rotary, I am able to increase my impact on the world with others who share this goal. I have

made amazing friends and can continue the legacy of Rotary by including my own children in service and fellowship."

Jennifer Schumann

May 8th

Mark Douglas Musgrove
May 15th

Leonard H. White
May 17th

William A. McConochie
May 17th

Jay Silverman
May 18th

Arthur A. Mehas
May 20th

Sherry Schaefer
May 22nd

Victoria Whitman Harris
May 25th

Gregg A. Fuller
May 31st

Richard Shugar
June 2nd

Years of Service

John Wolf
07-20-1987
33 Years

Gregg A. Fuller
07-29-1997
23 Years

Harry B. Storr
07-03-2001
19 Years

John Raleigh Fox
07-20-2010
10 Years

Michelle A Blackwell
07-01-2014
6 Years