

Rotary



Club of Eugene

President's Message

Normally I write a message and then find a video to fit (that I get from Coast Guard Glen). But this week Glen sent a video on Charles Schulz and it immediately made me think about ArtSpark and what we have done for children in the Eugene School District. Watch the video first and see if you don't agree. Schulz perseverance could only be sustained by his love of art and creativity. Our oldest Son was an Ice Skater and our family made many trips to the Schulz Ice center in Santa Rosa, California and also to the Museum and Research Center, when we lived in the Bay area. Both are worth the visit if you have time in Santa Rosa!! Schulz left quite a legacy behind with his cartoons and humor, that is still serving humanity today, and it all is because of his love for drawing.

Art Spark started a few years back when the club was looking for involvement in a major fundraising project. Pete Gribskov and Michael Syman-Degler found the focus and brought in Liora Sponko from the Lane Arts council, which already had a similar program running. The ArtSpark committee was formed and the rest is history. We continued with the same nucleus and have added Stacey Ray as the new Lane Arts director, and others to the committee. We just completed a successful virtual auction and will continue to serve elementary schools in 4J for the foreseeable future. Who knows maybe we will spark the next Charles Schulz!!

This week's program is by Sarai Johnson will be on the Joint Shelter and Housing strategy for Lane County and the City of Eugene. Hope to see you Tuesday and please invite a friend.

Best Regards,

Tom

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

No Events found

Club Leaders



Tom Gilmour
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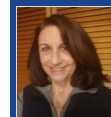
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Attendance Secretary



March 16th meeting ♦ Sarai Johnson, joint housing strategist for Eugene and Lane County

Sarai Johnson is the Joint Shelter and Housing strategist for Lane County and the City of Eugene. In that position she assists in implementing the Technical Assistance Collaborative report. That report provides an analysis of homelessness in Eugene and Lane County and makes recommendations of actions to address that issue. Prior to her work with the City and County, Sarai was the founder and Principal Consultant at Lean Nonprofit, an international consulting firm serving community development and housing organizations, served as the Assistant Director at NEDCO for many years and has two decades of experience in managing businesses, non-profits and projects.



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Birthdays

John Sather
March 15th
Ralph Parshall

March 23rd meeting ♦Space Out with Scott Fisher

Scott Fisher is an academic expert in space, NASA, and all things astronomy. His particular strength is making science and STEM accessible to non-scientists. If it involves the stars and what we can learn from the universe beyond this home we call Earth, he can speak to it. At the University of Oregon, Scott is an astronomy lecturer, the outreach director and director of undergraduate studies for the Department of Physics.



COVID VACCINES ♦Rotary to the Rescue!

Eugene Rotarians, family and friends have served Lane Public Health for over **6,000 vaccinations per weekend times 4 weeks**. That is **a lot** of people getting their vaccinations. Liz Ness pictured at beginning of the LCC Vaccinations on Sunday.



NEXT WEEKEND! MASSIVE EFFORT! 10,000 or more Vaccinations. Three locations. Lane Fairgrounds, LCC and for the first time Autzen Stadium!! Sign up. Step up. Need all the help possible. Rotarians, family and friends.

If you want to volunteer or know of someone who might be interested please contact Pete at petelauriegribskov@comcast.net. He will schedule you or if first time will send you the forms and once completed you can email them back. Because of the criminal background check, it might take up to 2 days to receive clearance.

March 18th
Heinz J. Selig
March 23rd
John Wolf
March 26th
Mark A. Humphreys
March 28th
Tom Gilmour
March 30th
Larry Banks
March 30th
Candice Barr
March 31st
Ken Vendley
April 1st
Jeff Robinson
April 2nd
John Barnum
April 10th
Matt David Bolton
April 12th
Jeanette E Graff
April 12th

Years of Service

James Ralph
04-04-2000
21 Years
Todd M. Nelson
04-05-2004
17 Years
Robert L. Hart
04-13-2004
17 Years
Lynne Grilley
04-08-2014
7 Years
Doug James
04-11-2017
4 Years
Ken Brown
03-27-2018
3 Years
Jeannine Erving
03-19-2019
2 Years



Governor's March Message: Protecting the Environment

Protecting the Environment is our Rotary Foundation's seventh Area of Focus. And I think you will agree that its about time Rotary also focused on this critical aspect of our work here and around the world. Protecting the Environment will enhance our ability to prevent disease, reduce air pollution, continue to create clean water for the world, reduce hunger, and avoid international conflict. Without integrating consideration for the larger scale environment in all the projects we endeavor to complete, we will not be successful long term. And this part of our mission: ♦to create lasting change.♦

Past RI President Ian Riseley in 2017: ♦Environmental degradation and global climate change are serious threats to everyone, Riseley said. ♦They are having a disproportionate impact on those who are most vulnerable, those to whom Rotary has the greatest responsibility.♦

The new Rotary focus on our environment suggests many facets of the problems with actionable targets: [Click here to go to this list and the rest of DG Cindi's message on our seventh area of focus.](#)

To join our District 5110 Committee for the Environment contact District Committee Chair Nikki Rizzardini atnrizzard@gmail.com. To learn more about the Rotary Foundation's seventh Area of Focus go to <https://www.rotary.org/en/our-causes/protecting-environment>

By Cynthia O'Neil

Click here to go to the Eugene Rotary Environmental website page:

<https://eugenerotary.org/environment/>

If you would like more information, please contact Richard Barnhart MD at ricbar2@mac.com



Protecting the Environment

Proposed New Member

The Board of directors of the Rotary Club of Eugene have approved the membership applications of the proposed member below. Unless there is an objection by members in the next week, these members will be ready for the induction process into our club. If you do have an objection, please contact President Tom Gilmour with your concerns.

Christopher Hazen ♦Horizontal 8.

Sponsored by Lynne Grilley, Marty Wilde.

Chris Hazen is a management consultant and start-up investor.



Children with Special Needs Committee 2021

The Children with Special Needs Committee of Eugene Rotary is currently accepting proposals for grants. Grants may range in amount \$1,000-\$3,000. Proposals must be submitted by April 30, 2021. The grants will be distributed to successful applicants by June 18, 2021. The Mission is to provide funding to organizations that have programs or activities designed to enrich the lives of children with special needs.

Visit the club website for more information:

<https://eugenerotary.org/children-with-special-needs/>



Continuing Service Opportunities.

COVID Vaccinations volunteering for Lane County Public Health.

For applications contact Pete Gribkov: petelauriegribkov@comcast.net.

Water Wells in Rural Uganda funding.

If you would like more information, please contact Richard Barnhart MD at ricbar2@mac.com

McKenzie Valley Fire Relief funding.

<https://eugenerotary.org/charitable-trust/> or contact Pete Gribkov: petelauriegribkov@comcast.net.

McKenzie Valley Relief Center volunteering

If you have interest please call Gerri Astor at [646-437-0539](tel:646-437-0539)

Environmental Committee Grant Deadline

If you would like more information, please contact Richard Barnhart MD at ricbar2@mac.com

Sparky and Snoopy

Sparky! Very humble beginnings to fame as Charles Schultz created the most prolific cartoon strip ever. With a world famous Beagle!

<https://vimeo.com/523523199>



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.

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.

Eugene Rotary Celebrating 100 Years March 2023!



Eugene Rotary Meeting Zoom Permalink

Click to Join Meeting

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pwd=TUNCZS80Y0tJQ3FOMWJDNy8yV3ZBQT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89774399598?pwd=TUNCZS80Y0tJQ3FOMWJDNy8yV3ZBQT09)
