

# Rotary



# Club of Eugene

## President's Message

First of all I want to thank Raquel and Jennifer for standing in for me, so I could attend my Daughter's wedding. This is really the first time I have travelled and needed stand ins, which is pretty amazing and shows how much COVID has affected our lives. In Virginia Beach, where the wedding was, masks were optional in grocery stores, but I would say only 1/3 were still wearing them. At the wedding venue (the Museum of Contemporary Art in Virginia Beach) the capacity was limited to vaccinated people, but very few wore masks (none of the young folks). They did limit the size of the gathering to 100. The mask requirement was lifted by the Governor state-wide the Friday before we arrived. Food service personnel were still required to wear masks, but any commercial operation could require mask for customers if they so chose. However, most restaurants did not require masks for customers. The day of the wedding my Olympic Trails tickets came through, so I think things are getting back to normal. I am looking forward to our club meeting in person again.

Things were pretty chaotic in our 3 bedroom townhouse on the beach (Fort Story military getaway property) with a 2-year-old and relatives. We were constantly helping Beth with last minute details, and attending get togethers she had arranged. I had also forgotten what the "terrible twos" were like and how patient parents have to be during those times (my son and daughter-in-law made me proud). But early morning beach walks, seeing all the ships coming and going from a major port, and watching dolphins feed in the surf, brought some calm to the chaos! It was definitely worth the wait to celebrate their wedding a year late, although I may have "terrible two" flashbacks for awhile. For a love story of a different kind, watch the video about a boy and his Parrot below.

This week's program will be on The Governor's Wildlife Recovery Program by Michael Morter from Oregon's Office of Emergency Management. It should be another interesting program. I hope to see you at the meeting 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](#)  
President



[Raquel E. Hecht](#)  
President-Elect



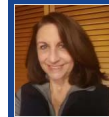
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Club Admin Co-Chair  
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Attendance Secretary



## June 8th Meeting Wildfire Recovery Report

**Michael Morter with the state's Office of Emergency Management** is presenting a snapshot of Oregon's 2020 Wildfires: Response/Recovery/Rebuilding.

As the state's Wildfire Recovery Ombudsman, Michael's primary responsibility is working with state and local agencies to identify and resolve issues in the built environment--planning, zoning, wetlands, floodplain, and building codes among others. Although assigned to the Office of Emergency Management, he reports directly to Matt Garrett, Director for Wildfire Recovery in Governor Brown's office.

Tune in to what happened and what is happening. And what the future looks like as we move into fire season again.

Videos of the fire damage.

First a couple videos of Blue River from the Oregonian and Oregon office of Wildfire Recovery.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tRCpBLhdsml>

The second the famous video from Jeff Robinson we have been running with the new added comment "Wow, that's a really solid video from Jeff" from Michael Morter, Oregon Office of Emergency Management.

<https://vimeo.com/470871405>



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Club Director-  
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Vocational Service



Jennifer Geller  
iPast President



Erik Peter Gribskov  
Assistant Governor

## Birthdays

Gerald S. Moshofsky  
June 6th

Todd Anderson  
June 7th

Jeff Parker  
June 8th



Richard A Barnhart  
June 12th

Jean E. Schore  
June 15th



## June 15th Meeting C-Span and its impact on Community

### Getting to Know C-SPAN with April Ranger

 Presentation will focus on our role in the media during these unprecedented times, ways to use our resources and our personal stories of how we ended up at C-SPAN and to answer your questions. 

April Ranger coordinates and leads presentations to educate students, civics groups and others about C-SPAN's unfiltered mission and how its resources provide a window on Washington. After teaching in the New York City and D.C. areas for 13 years, April returned home in the nation's capital and work with C-Span.

John Doty  
June 19th  
Janelle McCoy  
June 22nd  
Michael Drennan  
June 24th  
James R. Hanks  
June 26th  
Albert Poston  
June 26th  
Mathias Craig  
July 5th

### Years of Service

Candice Barr  
06-07-1988  
33 Years  
Richard C. Litchfield  
06-30-1998  
23 Years  
Harry B. Storr  
07-03-2001  
20 Years  
John Sather  
06-25-2002  
19 Years  
Nathan Philips  
06-24-2003  
18 Years  
Michael J. Ritchey  
06-24-2003  
18 Years  
Jay Silverman  
06-07-2006  
15 Years  
James R. Hanks  
06-09-2009  
12 Years  
Paul A. Chavin  
06-21-2011  
10 Years  
Sherry Schaefers  
06-11-2013  
8 Years  
James E. Barta  
06-10-2014  
7 Years  
Michelle A Blackwell  
07-01-2014  
7 Years  
Robert Scott Impehoven  
06-21-2016  
5 Years  
Richard A Barnhart  
06-09-2018

# C-SPAN

YOUR UNFILTERED VIEW OF GOVERNMENT



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## June 22nd - Eugene City Manager

**Meet the City Manager Sarah Medary.** Sarah Medary was unanimously appointed City Manager by the Eugene City Council on June 15, 2020. Medary had served as City Manager Pro Tem since October 19, 2019.

Medary has worked with the City of Eugene since 1996, including nine years as Assistant City manager and six as the director of the Planning and Development Department. She served as the Public Works Director prior to her appointment by Mayor Vinis as City Manager Pro Tem.



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## Continuing Service Opportunities.

**The Eugene Rotary Environmental Committee** is working hard on identifying local environmental projects we can all support. We were very inspired by the

3 Years  
Larry Banks  
06-09-2018  
3 Years  
Piotrek BuciarSKI  
06-09-2018  
3 Years  
Marianne Wood  
07-02-2019  
2 Years

presentation with John Mathers, Co-Chair of the Rotary Climate Action Team. Rotarians worldwide have decided to take on the task of helping our environment. Time to roll up the sleeves. Stay tuned for some of the good choices we have found in Eugene. Or contact the Eugene Rotary Environmental Committee (EREC) to join or add suggestions on appropriate projects to take on.

If you would like more information, please contact Richard Barnhart MD at [ricbar2@mac.com](mailto:ricbar2@mac.com)

**Covid clinics** will give 500 doses M-F at Autzen Stadium from 3-7 pm, plus smaller popup clinics giving 100-200 doses at numerous locations around town from businesses to schools to public sites for 3-4 hours. We still need volunteers so please watch your email for opportunities and sign up whenever you can. Every vaccination given may save a life! Thanks for your service!

Water Wells in Rural Uganda funding.

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McKenzie Valley Fire Relief funding.

<https://eugenerotary.org/charitable-trust/> or contact Pete Gribskov: [petelauriegribskov@comcast.net](mailto:petelauriegribskov@comcast.net).

Susie Andrist of SouthTowne Rotary is asking Eugene Rotarians for donations of equipment, bedding and supplies for the New Downtown ERA Youth Homeless Shelter. Contact Raquel Hecht or Susie at SouthTowne for more information.

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## Soul Mates Video!

**Cute video! One very special parrot and her boy.**

<https://vimeo.com/559779635>



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## 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!**



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### **Eugene Rotary Meeting Zoom Permalink**

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pwd=TUNCZS80Y0tJQ3FQMWJDNy8yV3ZBQT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89774399598?pwd=TUNCZS80Y0tJQ3FQMWJDNy8yV3ZBQT09)

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