

# Rotary



# Club of Eugene

## President's Message

At our last meeting we took a poll on how many are ready for a club meeting in person as early as June 22nd. 39 out of 60 said yes with vaccines required, and 8 out of 60 said yes even if vaccines were not required. So an overwhelming 76% of you are ready to go right now. Since the meeting, a small group of members has been working to make that happen. We are working with the Shedd, the Graduate and the new Gordon Hotel and trying to get a long term agreement. However it doesn't look like that will happen by June 22nd. So we are planning on our first in person meeting for our change over on July 6th. I haven't seen the club gavel yet, but I have been told it will appear for me to hand over to Raquel!!

I was fortunate enough to attend the NCAA Track & Field Championships this last week and it was clear to me that folks are ready to get back to normal (and rid themselves of masks). I was in a vaccinated section that was mask free and everyone around me voiced their happiness at being able to cheer for their favorite participant without a mask. We did have to wear masks in the public areas, and the monitors were very busy reminding everyone to mask up! The new Hayward Field is magnificent and loud even when it was less than half full (6500 for the men's finals). It will be a centerpiece for Track and Field for our nation for a long time!! I even think I saw Bart and Andy out on the field as volunteers!!

I have witnessed everyone wanting to get out and do things and travel again. So it is no surprise that our club is anxious to meet again in person. In my maritime news feeds, I see that bookings for cruises are sky-rocketing as things open up. It reminds me of a fishing trip I took from a Mexican Cruise out of Cabo San Lucas a few years back, and witnesses what is on the video that Ravitej has attached. Watching the Pelicans and Frigate birds follow the fishing boats in is quite a spectacle as they swoop to catch what is thrown to them. But I was not visited by quite as brazen a pinniped as in this video entitled, "A real fishing Tale."

This weeks program is on getting to Know C-SPAN by April Ranger. She will educate us on C-SPAN's unfiltered mission and how its resources provide a window on Washington. I hope you can attend and be sure to invite a friend.

Best Regards,

Tom

## Club Meeting

Eugene  
Meets at Graduate Eugene (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



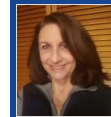
Ronald Terry Gietter  
Secretary



Erik Peter Gribskov  
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Club Executive  
Secretary  
Treasurer



Todd Anderson  
Treasurer-Elect



Monica Wilton  
Membership Co-Chair



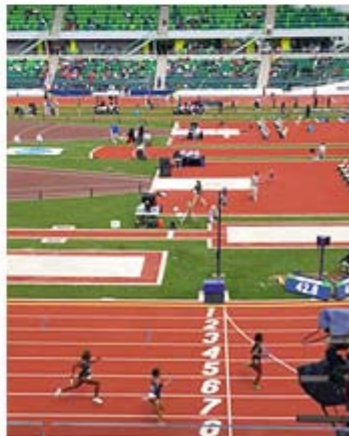
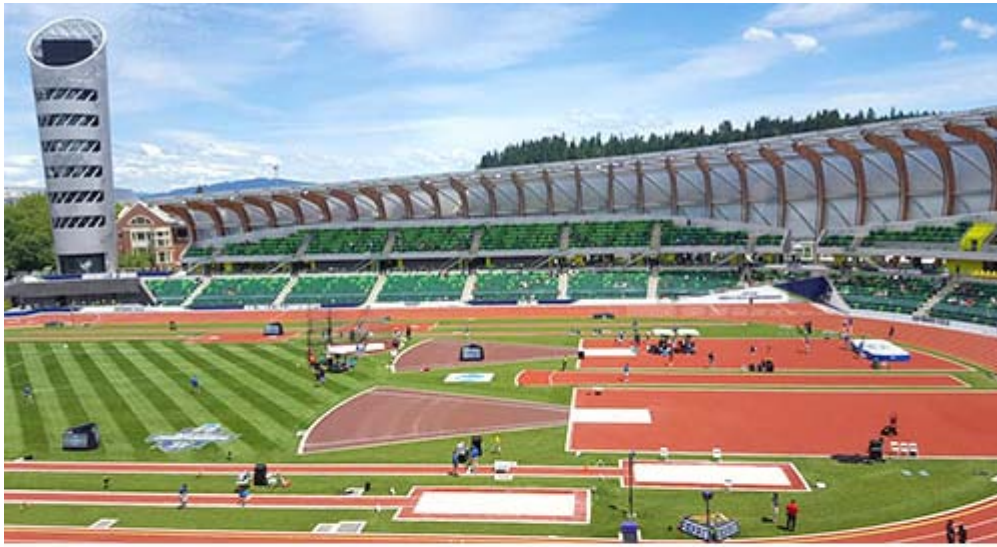
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Chair





Robert Scott  
Impecoven  
Attendance Secretary



## 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.



Lynne Grilley  
Club Director-  
Membership.  
Membership co-chair



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Club Director-Youth  
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Service



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Club Director-  
Community Service



Richard K Olson  
Past District Governor  
& CCO- Club



Ken Vendley  
Club Director-  
Vocational Service



Jennifer Geller  
iPast President



Erik Peter Gribkov  
Assistant Governor

## Birthdays

Jean E. Schore

June 15th

John Doty

June 19th

Janelle McCoy

June 22nd

Michael Drennan

June 24th

James R. Hanks

June 26th

Albert Poston

June 26th

Mathias Craig

# C-SPAN

YOUR UNFILTERED VIEW OF GOVERNMENT



## June 21st Membership Social Gathering

### Spring quarterly social gathering of new and prospective Rotarians!

We have a great number of new and prospective folks joining our club. The Membership Committee would like to invite you to have a fun evening to meet and greet them.

**Monday, June 21st -5:30-7:00**

The Pub at Laurelwood Golf Course

The Club will provide the food and wine/beer. (Mixed drinks extra and available for purchase.)

**The views on a summer eve are spectacular from the pub and the food and beverage are top rated.**

Looking forward to seeing you on June 21st to welcome our new and prospective members in this first major social gathering since the pandemic began. The Eugene Rotary Membership Committee: Ed Barclay, Ken Brown, Pete Gribskov, Lynne Grilley, Scott Impecoven, Doug James, Andy Vobora, Monica Wilton

RSVP Monica Wilton - [mwilton36@gmail.com](mailto:mwilton36@gmail.com)

So we can schedule enough food and beverage for the evening.

**Vaccination proof required 📄bring your card!**

July 5th  
Brent D. Kehn  
July 7th  
Susan Soonkeum Cox  
July 8th

### Years of Service

Richard C. Litchfield  
06-30-1998  
23 Years

Harry B. Storr  
07-03-2001  
20 Years

John Sather  
06-25-2002  
19 Years

Michael J. Ritchey  
06-24-2003  
18 Years

Nathan Phillips  
06-24-2003  
18 Years

Paul A. Chavin  
06-21-2011  
10 Years

Michelle A Blackwell  
07-01-2014  
7 Years

Robert Scott Impecoven  
06-21-2016  
5 Years

Marianne Wood  
07-02-2019  
2 Years





## June 22nd Meeting - Eugene City Manager

**Meet the City Manager Sarah Medary. See the directions she is pointing Eugene toward.**

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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## July 13th Meeting Scholarships

**The Eugene Rotary Scholarship Committee will have the official annual meeting on Tuesday, July 13 at the regular meeting.**

Financial reports will be made and elections of the board conducted.

Three current members of the board, R. Scott Palmer, Jeannine Irving and Craig Smith are seeking re-election. Nominations may also be made.

**The Big news is \$15,000 in scholarship funds to be awarded to six scholars. And the donation of laptop computers to the six scholars by NextStep Computer Reuse.**

Attend the meeting and meet the scholars, elect the scholarship board and enjoy doing some serious good for youth in our community through one of the **True Pillars of Rotary: Scholarships!**

*Here receiving the 6 laptops at NextStep are members of the Rotary Club of Eugene, R. Scott Palmer, Tom Gilmour with NextStep Retail Store Manager Jessica Ahrenholtz and NextStep board member, Mike Grudzien.*



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## Membership Report

**Bonnie Bailey and Susan Heisey** have been approved by the board as prospective members. If any members have any reason to object please contact President Tom.

**And!** I am pleased to announce that **Shawn Heim** has returned to our club! Shawn left the club for a job opportunity in Seattle and has returned to Eugene with Gardner Floor Covering.

Pete

**Bonnie Bailey.** Sponsored by Lynne Grilley and Monica Wilton. Works for HP, Inc as a Regulatory Toxicologist. Born in Eugene and grew up in Pleasant Hill, Oregon. After completing PhD, Worked in environmental consulting and has done risk assessments for hazardous waste sites. Raised her children. Returned to graduate school for a master's in public health and has worked at HP, Inc in Corvallis, Oregon for 5 years.

**Susan Heisey.** Sponsored by Raquel Hecht and Jennifer Geller. Grew up in Connecticut and moved west in 1992. Attended LCC for Graphic Design and did freelance design / marketing for 10 years. Pursued Real Estate and took over a business/brokerage and now broker/owner at Bailey & Heisey Real Estate.

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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 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

**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.**

If you would like more information, please contact Richard Barnhart MD at

## A real fishing Tale -Video!

### Unexpected Guest for Dinner!

<https://vimeo.com/562559341>



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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.





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