

Rotary



Club of Eugene

In-Person and Hybrid Meetings

Come on down to the Grad for food and friendship. Hybrid Zoom is available.



One Click Link for Zoom.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83908618864?pwd=Ly85Skc3NXhoVTZGOTZjeGpCWGI2dz09>

Meeting ID: 839 0861 8864

Passcode: 695590

Presidents' Message

This weekend I'm in LA, with five of my girlfriends, to....wait for it.....play tennis! But wait, don't tune out yet! This is not about tennis, I promise!

It's about friendship. The importance of friendship. The necessity of friendship.

I have been through some tough times lately and, as many of you know, the pain of some experiences cannot be equaled. There are moments when life just doesn't make sense and we wonder, why is there such immeasurable suffering just to get through it? But then, friends appear. They reach out and touch you. They share their stories. Take you into their arms and comfort you. Go with you on a trip to Bend for some fabulous spring skiing (thanks, Tina!) or to LA, to play tennis. Through connection and friendship, we are comforted. We laugh and learn. We share our worst fears, our deepest sorrows.

Through friendship, we muster energy to confront the challenges that God (in whatever form God appears to you) places before us. We discover value in our lives and together we work towards our goals. We find the support we need to make them happen.

Rotary friendships have a special meaning to me. We are people who care, who share an interest in taking action. We dare to impact the lives of others. To understand the importance of bringing people together to improve our world. Along the way, we seek truth through information, build better friendships, and take steps to create a society that is fair to all concerned (sound familiar?). In the process, and this is important so don't stop reading now....by pursuing shared interests, we encounter fun, lively and enthusiastic "tennis" (insert your favorite activity here) partners. The world is a fantastic place with friends like you in it,

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



Raquel E. Hecht
President



Elizabeth A. Ness
President - Elect



Ronald Terry Gietter
Secretary



Erik Peter Gribkov
Club Admin
Chair
Club Executive
Secretary



Todd Anderson
Treasurer



Lynne Grilley
Club Director
Membership
Chair



David A. Frosaker
Rotary
Foundation
Chair



Ravitej Singh Khalsa
Public
Image/Relations
Chair

Philip Holt Barnhart
Club Director

so let's keep working together to preserve and cherish it

I look forward to our continued friendship in the years ahead.

See you next week!

Warmly,
Raquel



May 10th Meeting: Lane County Treatment Courts: Reformation and Rehabilitation in Action.

Join Judges Valeri Love, Clara Rigmaiden and Kamala Shugar for an introduction to Lane County Treatment Courts, including best practices, evidence based approaches to drug treatment and mental health services and what is new and emerging in this area of reform-based criminal justice.

Judge Kamala Shugar was appointed to the bench in June 2019. She has served the public for her whole career — as a Lane County Deputy DA, a Child Advocacy lawyer, an adjunct UO law professor, and as Special Counsel to the Attorney General.

Judge Rigmaiden worked 14 years as a Public Defender, and was appointed to the bench in 2013. She has handled civil, criminal and juvenile dockets, as well as presided over numerous criminal jury trials. In January of 2021 she became the Lane County Adult Treatment Court and Veterans' Court judge.

Judge Love was appointed to the bench in 2011. Judge Love currently serves as the Chief Juvenile Judge where she hears dependency and delinquency matters as well as presides over Lane County's RAP-JTC (Recovery and Progress - Juvenile Treatment Court) Court program.



[Robert L. Hart](#)
Club Director-
Communications



[Robert Scott Impecoven](#)
Club Director
Community
Service



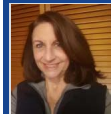
[Richard K. Olson](#)
CCO-Club
Communications
Offcr
Past District
Governor



[Craig A. Smith](#)
Club Director



[Monica Wilton](#)
Club Director



[Tom Gilmour](#)
iPast President



[Erik Peter Gribskov](#)
Assistant
Governor



Birthdays

- Brent Allyn Johnson
May 8th
- William A. McConochie
May 17th
- Jay Silverman
May 18th
- Arthur A. Mehas
May 20th
- Sherry Schaefers
May 22nd
- Victoria Whitman Harris
May 25th
- Tiffany Marie Palaniuk
May 28th
- Gregg A. Fuller
May 31st
- Jacob Hamalian
June 2nd
- Richard Shugar
June 2nd
- Susan Sygall
June 4th
- Anthony Ramos Jr.
June 4th
- Monica Wilton
June 5th
- Gerald S. Moshofsky
June 6th



**Lane County Treatment Courts:
Reformation and Rehabilitation in Action**
With Judges Valeri Love, Clara Rigmaiden and Kamala Shugar

Coming up in May:

May 17th: Yogi Tea.



May 24th: Afghan Refugee Resettlement Program.
May 31st: Sen. Richard Neuberger, Eminent Oregonian.

Community Service Committee - Grant Deadline May 10th

"The Community Service Committee is accepting proposals for District Grants. These grants should be in service to our community and offer a volunteer option for Rotarians. Our District will fund up to \$3,000 and our Club will match with \$2,000 for a **\$5,000 total possible grant**. Please include a description of the project including dates and amount requested, how the funds will be used, and how Rotarians can participate."

Please contact Liz Ness at beans1259@aol.com with questions or to submit your proposal no later than May 10, 2022

Environmental Committee - Buford Park & Mt. Pisgah Saturday the 14th!

The Club's Environmental Committee is joining in collaboration with the Friends of Buford Park & Mt. Pisgah! We are asking for volunteers to sign up. Volunteers will gain free entrance to the Wildflower Festival the following afternoon.

The project will be at Buford Park/Mt. Pisgah Native Plant Nursery on **Saturday, May 14 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm**. The Native Plant Nursery is an important grower and supplier of native plants and seed for restoration projects not only in Buford Park/Mt. Pisgah but also for the contiguous conservation lands (like the Nature Conservancy's Confluence Land), Portland Metro, and wildfire restoration projects like those currently underway in the McKenzie River burn area.

Todd Anderson
June 7th

Years of Service

- Candice Barr
06-07-1988
34 Years
- Susan Sygall
05-11-2000
22 Years
- Jay Silverman
06-07-2006
16 Years
- Dennis J. Biggerstaff
05-10-2011
11 Years
- Jeff Parker
05-29-2012
10 Years
- Jennifer Geller
05-29-2012
10 Years
- John Clifford Gregor
05-13-2013
9 Years
- Philip Holt Barnhart
05-17-2016
6 Years
- Shawn Heim
06-02-2021
1 Year

The Native Plant Nursery is located just beyond the North parking lot: On Seavey Loop, head east to the park, go over the Coast Fork river bridge, turn left and head down the road about 500 feet until you see the parking lot on your left. At the far (north) end of the lot there is a yellow steel barricade. There will be a sign at the barricade with instructions for getting to the nursery. (34639 Frank Parrish Rd)

The work we have planned for the Service Day will provide a broad range of options for our volunteers regardless of physical ability. This includes work at raised beds for those of us who are not as nimble as we once were and may have trouble kneeling down or bending over. As a bonus!!!, you'll be earning free entry to the Wildflower Festival the next day. This should be a fun day doing good work with kindred spirits for a great organization led by one of our own, Friends executive director Janelle McCoy.

To help with this project, please volunteer by emailing the Friends' volunteer coordinator at: volunteer@bufordpark.org In your email just say you are volunteering for the Rotary Service Day on May 14, include your full name and your preferred time entry to the Wildflower Festival (noon to 3pm or 2p to 5p).

If you can't stay for the entire time, that's OK! We welcome your participation regardless of the amount of time you have to give. If you have other questions about the project, please contact Janelle at jmccoy@bufordpark.org.

Please sign up today! Thank you for participating in our Club's Environmental Committee service project!



Buford Park Nursery Video

The Native Plant Nursery at the Friends of Buford Park & Mt. Pisgah

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



Food for Lane County - Wednesday May 18th

Food for Lane County **Wednesday, May 18th** from 6-8:30 pm at the 770 Bailey Hill Road

site. Jennifer Geller is the contact person for this service event so please contact her at jennifergeller65@gmail.com if you would like to participate.



World Championship Booth

100 Rotarians are asked to staff The Special Rotary booth at the Riverfront Festival in conjunction with the World Athletics Championships. Rotary will be one of only 15 partners of the festival and will have an opportunity to share the Rotary message to visitors from all over the world. The festival runs from July 15 to July 24 and we anticipate needing 80-100 volunteers to answer questions about Rotary. All participants will be furnished a custom Rotary T-shirt to wear at the event.

Festival Hours

July 15- 17 12:00 pm to 10:00 pm

July 18-21 4:00 pm to 10:00 pm

July 22-24 12:00 pm to 10:00 pm

Sign up today for this special service

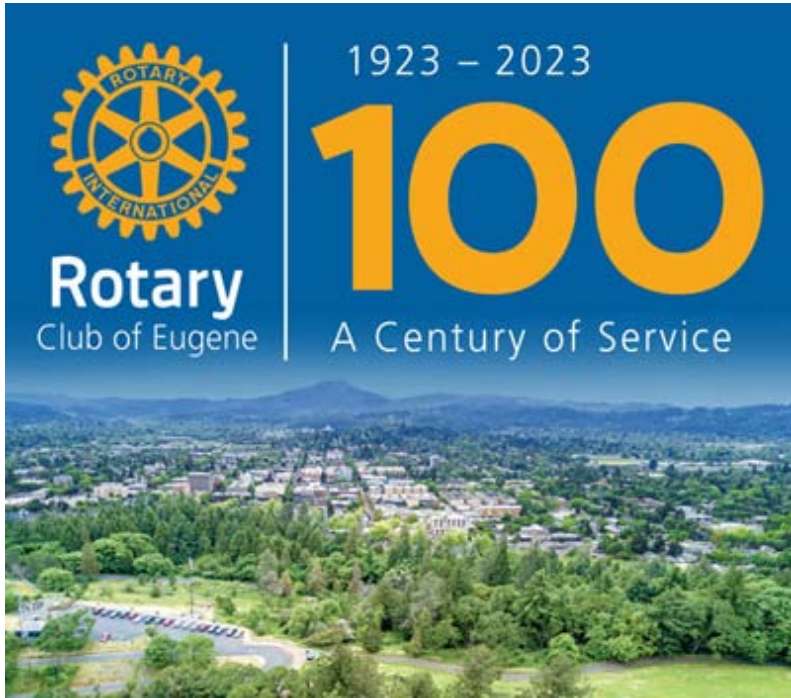
Pete Gribskov – Rotary Club of Eugene

petelauriegribskov@comcast.net - 541-521-6761



Eugene Rotary 100 Year Celebration

Next fiscal year our Club will celebrate our 100th birthday with an assortment of activities and events including a big evening near the anniversary date of Wednesday March 15, 2023. All are welcome to participate in the planning of this event. If you're interested please contact co-chairs Rick Olson or Tom Gilmour



Women's Institute on Leadership and Disability (WILD)

Rotarians have been so generous in supporting our Women's Institute on Leadership and Disability (WILD) that brings together women with disabilities from around the world to Eugene. With your generous support, this Summer we will bring 35 disabled women from Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, Burundi, Cameroon, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Egypt, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Guatemala, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Mozambique, Nepal, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, Uganda, and Vietnam.

We now need a miracle. We need to find homestay families for each of these women. Please know your house does not have to be wheelchair accessible as women have different disabilities that don't require wheelchair accessibility, but all of them have a passion to meet new people and learn about our country and our culture, especially here in beautiful Eugene and Springfield.

You can host for one or both sessions and the dates are as follows:

1st session: June 4 – 10 (7 nights)

2nd session: June 11 – 17 (7 nights)

Please know we have very strict procedures and all women will be required to be fully vaccinated and will be tested before getting on the plane. We will also be having them stay at a hotel for the first few days where we will administer more COVID tests. We ask that all homestay families also be vaccinated.

To request a homestay application and for more information, please contact Megan Patrignelli at mpatrignelli@miusa.org or call the MIUSA office 541-343-1284.

In these complex times, it will be so wonderful to be surrounded by disabled women leaders from so many countries and feel the spirit of Rotary members who can provide peace and understanding throughout the world.

Thank you for all you do!
Susan Sygall
Rotarian



Rotary Foundation

If you've read the April issue of "Rotary" magazine you may have read the column written by John Germ, the Chair of The Rotary Foundation (TRF). The main point of the column is that because of increasing needs across the world over the past decade, the amount of global grants has grown by more than 100% while annual giving from Rotary members has remained relatively static. That is certainly true of our own club as our member participation in supporting TRF has averaged just 35% over the past ten years. Our YTD Foundation giving through March is also at a multi-year low.

Mr. Germ says, "Quite simply, we need more clubs and individuals to give to the Annual Fund to help keep our district and global grants thriving."

He goes on to say, "Remember: it's not about the money, but about what our money can do. Imagine the Rotary dreams we could make real if every member and every club got together and made a gift to our Foundation today. That would be quite a Rotary moment - for all of us."

It's easy to make your gift. Just go to Rotary.org and hit the "Donate" button on the home page of the site. You don't even need to log in or create a My Rotary account. Just go in as a guest and make your gift; it will track back to your personal Eugene Rotary account. If you need assistance, just reach out to any member of your TRF Committee - Jay Silverman, Mike Ritchey or DaveFrosaker.

Thanks for your support!



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!



Zoom -Full Link

Automatic link: Click to link. If using the link, no password is required.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83908618864?pwd=Ly85Skc3NXhoVTZGOTZjeGpCWGI2dz09>

Meeting ID: 839 0861 8864

Passcode: 695590

One tap mobile

[+16699009128](tel:+16699009128), [83908618864#](tel:+183908618864), ..., [*695590#](tel:+1695590) US (San Jose)

[+12532158782](tel:+12532158782), [83908618864#](tel:+183908618864), ..., [*695590#](tel:+1695590) US (Tacoma)

Dial by your location

[+1 669 900 9128](tel:+16699009128) US (San Jose)

[+1 253 215 8782](tel:+12532158782) US (Tacoma)

[+1 346 248 7799](tel:+13462487799) US (Houston)

[+1 646 558 8656](tel:+16465588656) US (New York)

[+1 301 715 8592](tel:+13017158592) US (Washington DC)

[+1 312 626 6799](tel:+13126266799) US (Chicago)

Meeting ID: 839 0861 8864

Passcode: 695590

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83908618864?pwd=Ly85Skc3NXhoVTZGOTZjeGpCWGI2dz09>