

# Rotary



# Club of Eugene

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## President's Message September 8th

This weeks program will be with one of the candidates in the upcoming election for the 4th congressional district and feature Congressman Peter DeFazio. His challenger Alex Skarlatos will speak to us in 2 weeks. I want both programs to meet the 4-way test and most of all be "fair to all concerned." Although we cannot control what the candidates say, we can be sure that our questions to the candidates are "fair to all concerned." Our questions should be about issues and not be partisan in nature. More importantly, they should focus on the **solutions** the candidates think they can bring to the table on a given issue. As a wise man once told me "a problem without a solution, will always be a problem." To that end, we will be taking questions from the floor only through the chat function, so if you have a question, please put it in chat and be sure it meets the 4-way test. Last week I asked you for some question topics. Some of you gave me some good ones and they will be included as generic questions to both candidates. I have put together a panel to come up with some canned questions around the issues, that will ask for the candidates solutions. I thank Jerry Harris , Liz Ness and Jennifer Geller in advance for helping me with this endeavor. I hope you will see that our questions stick to the issues and are "fair" to both candidates. We all have our political views, but fairness to others (regardless of their views) should be paramount for Rotarians.

We have been fortunate enough to Induct new members in the last two meetings and I am trying to make it 3 in a row, but we will see our candidate is available for the zoom meeting! It is going to be warm the next few days, so be careful out there and stay safe.

Best Regards,

Tom Gilmour

## 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



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President



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



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Secretary



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Attendance Secretary



## Message from Rotary International President

### AFRICAN REGION CERTIFIED WILD POLIO-FREE

Dear Rotarians,

It is our pleasure to announce to you that the [African region has just been certified wild poliovirus-free](#).

Rotary members have played an invaluable role in the effort to rid the African region of wild polio. We should be proud of all the hard work that we've done to eliminate the wild poliovirus throughout Africa and in nearly every country in the world.

This progress is the result of a decades-long effort across [the 47 countries of the African region](#). It has involved millions of health workers traveling by foot, boat, bike and bus, innovative strategies to vaccinate children amid conflict and insecurity, and a huge disease surveillance network to test cases of paralysis and check sewage for the virus.

Over the last two decades, countless Rotary members in countries across the African region and around the world have worked together to raise funds, immunize children, advocate with local and national leaders, and raise awareness about the importance of vaccination, enabling the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) to effectively respond to and stop polio outbreaks.

This milestone is an incredible public health achievement for Rotary members, the African region, and our GPEI partners, and a huge step forward on the road to global polio eradication. But we still have important work to do in order to eradicate wild polio in the last two endemic countries.

We have faced many challenges in our journey to eradicate polio. But we've made remarkable progress, and the polio infrastructure that Rotarians helped build will serve as a lasting legacy that will continue to help protect vulnerable children against other diseases for decades to come.

We are calling on you today to recommit yourselves to ending polio. We need each and every one of you to help finish this fight and [continue raising \\$50 million each year for PolioPlus](#). The eradication of wild polio in the African region shows us that polio eradication is achievable, and shows how our hard work, partnerships and financial commitment continue to propel us forward, even during a global pandemic.

Thank you for your continued efforts, for achieving a wild polio-free African region, and for remaining committed to fulfilling our promise of a polio-free world.

Rotary International President Holger Knaack and Nigeria National PolioPlus Chair Dr. Tunji Funsho congratulate Rotarians on eradicating wild polio in the African Region.



Lynne Grilley  
Club Director-  
Membership



Robert L. Hart  
Club Director-  
Communications



Erik Jorgensen  
Club Director-  
Youth Services



Peter M. Knight-  
Sheen  
Club Director-  
Club Service



Elizabeth A.  
Ness  
Club Director-  
Community  
Service



Richard K. Olson  
Past District  
Governor &  
CCO- Club



Ken Vendley  
Club Director-  
Vocational  
Service



Jennifer Geller  
iPast President



Erik Peter  
Gribskov  
Assistant  
Governor

### Birthdays

DeLeesa G. Meashintubby  
September 12th

Stacey Ray  
September 14th

Craig Opperman  
September 16th

F. Doug Harclerod  
September 17th

Morgan Jemmali  
September 17th

Sincerely,  
Holger Knaack  
President, Rotary International



## September 8th Meeting ♦ Peter DeFazio

**Congressman Peter DeFazio**, dean of the Oregon House delegation, has developed a reputation as an independent, passionate and effective lawmaker.

In 2019, DeFazio was elected to the powerful position of Chairman of the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee, which has jurisdiction over the Coast Guard, highways and transit, water resources, railroads, aviation, and economic development. As Chair, DeFazio authored the Investing in a New Vision for the Environment and Surface Transportation in America (INVEST in America) Act, a key component of the Moving Forward Act. The bill would create millions of jobs by rebuilding our roads, bridges, transit, rail, drinking water and wastewater systems, and more. It also invests in programs to reduce carbon pollution in transportation, including \$100 billion in transit systems to put more zero-emission busses on the road.

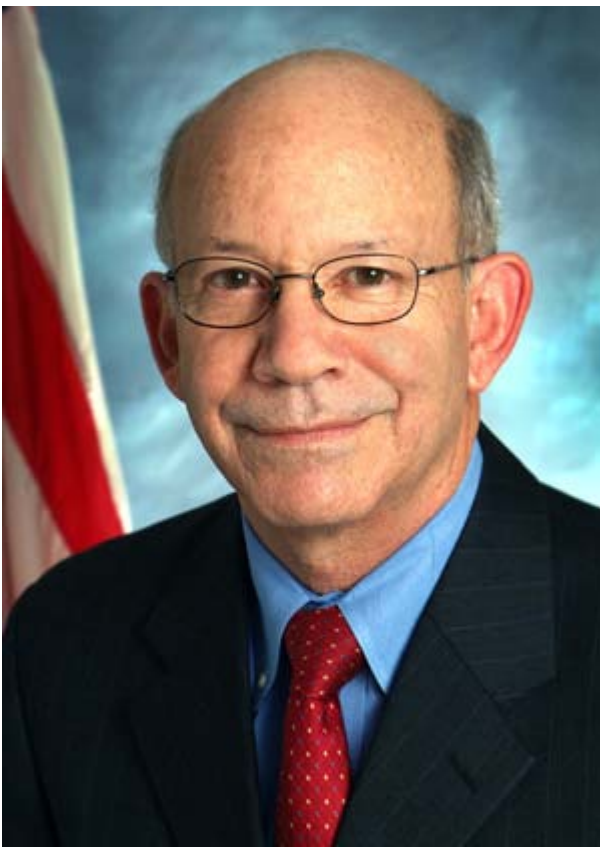
DeFazio previously served as the Ranking Member on the House Natural Resources Committee, where he focused on energy, federal lands, ocean and fisheries, and Native American issues. In 2013, he successfully passed his balanced, bipartisan O&C solution that creates private sector jobs, provides revenues to failing counties, and permanently protects old-growth and other irreplaceable environmental treasures.

DeFazio and his wife, Myrnie Daut, live in Springfield, Oregon. DeFazio has voted against and refused to accept congressional pay raises while the government is deficit spending. Instead, he has used his pay raises to fund scholarships at five southwestern Oregon community colleges. As of the end of 2019, DeFazio has funded 278 scholarships. He counts these scholarships among his proudest accomplishments.

Robert L. Hart  
September 19th  
Irene Alltucker  
September 20th  
Michael W Gerot  
September 24th  
Paul A. Chavin  
September 24th  
Mark D. Forrest  
October 4th  
Marianne Wood  
October 5th  
Dennis J. Biggerstaff  
October 6th

## Years of Service

Candice Barr  
06-07-1988  
33 Years  
Mark Douglas Musgrove  
06-02-1998  
23 Years  
Richard C. Litchfield  
06-30-1998  
23 Years  
John Sather  
06-25-2002  
19 Years  
Nathan Philips  
06-24-2003  
18 Years  
Michael J. Ritchey  
06-24-2003  
18 Years  
Irene Alltucker  
06-28-2005  
16 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  
John Barnum  
06-18-2013  
8 Years  
James E. Barta  
06-10-2014  
7 Years  
Robert Scott Impecovern  
06-21-2016  
5 Years  
Larry Banks  
06-09-2018  
3 Years  
Piotrek Buciarski  
06-09-2018  
3 Years  
Richard A Barnhart  
06-09-2018  
3 Years



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## September 15th Meeting ↔ Huerto de la Familia

**Marissa Zarate is the Executive Director of Huerto de la Familia** - (The Family Garden.) She graduated from the University of Oregon School of Law with a focus on human rights work and holds a B.A. in Peace Studies from Chapman University. She cares passionately about building community and creating opportunities for immigrant families in Lane County to be healthy and thrive. Prior to joining the Huerto de la Familia team four years ago, she worked as an attorney in the Columbia Gorge practicing immigration law. Marissa talk will include talking about Huerto de la Familia's programs that help individuals start small businesses.



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## September 22nd Meeting [↔ Alex Skarlatos](#)

With Congressional Candidate Alex Skarlatos



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## September 29th Meeting [↔ McKenzie Discovery Center](#)

The McKenzie River Discovery Center is designed to prepare generations of knowledgeable stewards of the river.



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## New Member Jennah Bauswell

**The Club Board has approved Jennah Bauswell for membership.**

Jennah Bauswell has a Masters of Education in Special Education with a specialization in behavioral supports at the University of Oregon.

Jennah is a passionate educator and outdoor enthusiast who began the trajectory of her teaching career when she became a tutor on the Paiute-Shoshone reservation in her hometown in Bishop, California.

A reflective and passionate educator, Jennah is committed to advocating for marginalized students in terms of cultural equity and accessibility in the classroom. A member of the Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Ojibwe Indians of Wisconsin, Jennah especially aspires to bridge the equity gap for Native American students and has served as an academic tutor for Indigenous K-12 students.



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## Service Opportunities From Monica

### SquareOne Villages

SOV creates self-managed communities of cost-effective tiny homes for people in need of housing.

SOV is looking for hand sanitizer, disinfecting multi-surface spray (Lysol), paper building supplies, various cleaning supplies, gloves batteries, solar lights, blankets, clothing, tools, and building supplies. If you have items to donate, please contact the Village Coordinator at [raquel@squareonevillages.org](mailto:raquel@squareonevillages.org) to set up a drop-off time.



### Positive Community Kitchen

PCK is looking for bulk Organic and gluten-free foods: olive oil, coconut oil, coconut milk, beans, lentils, tomatoes, herbs, peeled garlic. Please contact Megan by emailing, [MeganR@positivecommunitykitchen.org](mailto:MeganR@positivecommunitykitchen.org), or calling 541-249-4942 to arrange a drop off time at the kitchen. **Organic only please.**



Contact Monica Wilton, [mwilton36@gmail.com](mailto:mwilton36@gmail.com) if you need help with your delivery.



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## ArtSpark Gala Update

2020 ArtSpark will be an innovative virtual art auction and gala right after the Thanksgiving Holiday. Look for new information about the funding for both in-class and virtual artists in residency program in this unique 20-21 school year.

ArtSpark and Lane Arts Council has already been successfully conducting virtual art classes for kids at home. And is ready to provide both virtual and in-class arts education depending on the needs of the school district. Both opportunities will be available to meet the challenges of the pandemic and the return to schools.

Rotary District Governor was impressed with the program and is looking at how to expand support. In this time of Pandemic and uncertainty, ArtSpark has come shining through as the clubs' successful signature project. Stay tuned!



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## 5110 In Action News September 1st

**RotaryStepsTogether offers sponsorship opportunities**

**Hear about THE year in the life of a District Gov.--Zoom Social 9/10**

**Paul Chappell Zoom Event, Sept. 17 focuses on "Peace Literacy"**

**5110 BIZ OF THE WEEK: Ashland Food Coop & Emile Amarotico**

**Blind World Class Athlete to Motivate Eugene Metro--You're Invited!**

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## PDG Zoom Social Hour for DG Candidates and Interested Members

Recently, the Chair of the District 5110 2020-21 Nominating Committee, PDG Claudette Mirassou McWilliams, sent all club presidents a Call for Nominations for the 2023-24 District Governor. The paperwork necessary for a club to nominate a member was provided with that email. It is also available from PDG Claudette at [dgclaudette1718@gmail.com](mailto:dgclaudette1718@gmail.com) or 541.912.7592. Anyone interested in being considered for this prestigious position should **immediately** contact his, her, or their club president to complete the application and club approval certification. Nominations will remain open until Wednesday, **September 23, 2020**.

We wish to invite you to a PDG Social Hour Zoom Meeting with past district governors and potential candidates on Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Our goal is to give any Rotarian an opportunity to talk with those who have served as District Governor about their experiences. You need not be an official candidate to participate. It is enough that you are curious about the selection process, or merely interested in what a district governor does.

Check your email from District for your personal registration link.

**PDG Claudette Mirrasou McWilliams Nominating Committee Chair 2020-21**





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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.

### 2023 Eugene Rotary Celebrating 100 Years



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## Complete Zoom Link

Join Club Zoom Meetings Tuesdays August 4th to December 29, 2020 at 12:00 for chat and 12:15 for meeting.

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Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system for meetings to the end of 2020

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