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President's Message

In my President Elect Training in February (seems like 5 years ago) in Seattle, one of our speakers gave a talk about how being the Rotary President was like "herding cats." It was a humorous talk that kept us interested and reminded me of the Shakespeare quote "many a true word hath been spoken in jest." (from King Lear - thanks Mr. Shantz my High School English teacher). So yes there is a little cat herding going on, but that can be expected from a volunteer group that is paying dues. However, some of you Cats are doing GREAT things in spite of Covid!! Conestoga huts, our first international project in a long time, MUN, and ArtSpark, all come to mind!! Now if I can just get 3 or 4 people to do inspirations on a regular basis, so every one doesn't hear about the Dali Lama from me every week!! Take a look at Ravitej's video this week below on, you guessed it, herding cats!!

Last week I talked about how the press is trying to push us into a binary simplistic world of taking sides. So last week's presentation on Global perspectives from educators from 4 different countries was particularly interesting to me. Dean Galvan did an excellent job of introducing and then having his panel from Mexico, Japan, Senegal, and Sweden (EU) give their perspectives on our election this year and on our country in general. I have traveled to over 50 countries (some 3rd world) and have done business (governmental and commercial) in over 30, so I have heard a lot of foreigners talk about US issues. I was most pleased about the positivity of this group in spite of the divisiveness of the press on this election. All of the speakers told us we need to stay engaged internationally and promote our version of Democracy. Professor Parraguez from Mexico even held up a copy of our constitution and told us the "American Dream" is still alive. Professor Diallo urged us to continue fighting for peace and Democracy, especially in the African Continent. These are words we as Rotarians should agree with and heed, going forward in this new Administration.

This week's program will be about the COVID-19 pandemic from an expert Dr. Robert Pelz an expert on infectious disease. We should all learn from this excellent program. Please join us on Tuesday and invite a friend. Don't forget to join early for our social time from 1200-1215.

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

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Club Leaders



Tom Gilmour
President



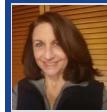
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December 8th Program **COVID Report with Doctor Pelz**

Dr. Pelz is very knowledgeable about Covid-19. He specializes in infectious diseases and on the governor's medical advisory board.

Dr. Pelz will be able to tell us details about the best way to protect ourselves, what to avoid, how soon we can expect vaccines to be on the scene and how they will be distributed. He will be able to tell us how and where the disease is spreading in our community and the state. He can give us an idea of how bad it will get and when we can get back to some kind of normal.

Will be a very informative and useful program.



More Great December Programs

December 15 with Bill O'Grady
US Geopolitical Outlook for 2021.

December 22 Holiday Party with Santa

Shorter virtual Holiday Party with video of past holiday parties. A nice social hour of greetings to celebrate some holiday cheer. Exchange some stories. And be grateful for Rotary in our community. And time for a few more jokes from Jeffrey.

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Club Director-
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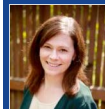
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Governor

Birthdays

Jeannine Erving
December 10th

Lynne Grilley
December 11th

Mark E. Metzger
December 17th

Stephen P. Savelich
December 18th

Otto J Glausi
December 18th

Elizabeth A. Ness
December 22nd

Ravitej Singh Khalsa
December 28th

Jennifer Schumann
December 29th

Norval J. Ritchey
December 30th

James Ralph
January 3rd



Richard Ralston
January 4th

Years of Service

Ray A. Wiley
12-06-1977
43 Years

Sidney I. Voorhees
01-01-1982
39 Years

Ronald Terry Gietter
12-16-1986
34 Years

Darryl Lynn Larson
12-16-1986
34 Years

Heinz J. Selig
12-08-1987
33 Years

Arthur A. Mehas
12-10-1991
29 Years

David A. Frosaker
12-22-1992
28 Years

Stephen P. Savelich
12-15-1998
22 Years

Jane Eyre McDonald
12-11-2001
19 Years

Ward Beck Jr.
12-14-2010
10 Years

Todd Anderson
12-10-2013
7 Years

Richard Ralston
12-08-2015
5 Years

Nominees for Club Offices

Nominated by: Pete Gribskov, Michael Syman-Degler, RT

President Elect: Liz Ness

Treasurer: Ken Vendley

Board: Craig Smith, Scott Impehoven, Monica Wilton



Nominated by: Jennifer Geller, Victoria Whitman, John Wolf

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Board: Craig Smith, Susan Blane, Phil Holt Barnhart



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ArtSpark Virtual Gala & Auction Success!!

Success! Fun! Many donations. Just about every online auction item has bids (online auction continues until noon Monday). A high number of people registered. Amid a Pandemic the ArtSpark Gala and Auction was quite successful, entertaining and fun! Thanks to all participants, staff and generous Rotarians.



Conestoga Building

Date put off due to State Covid Restrictions. Stay tuned for an announcement of the all clear to schedule again.



Monica's Volunteer Corner

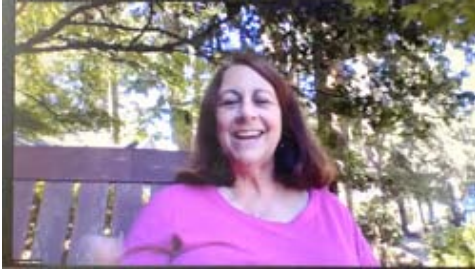
Thinking if we want to include opportunities to just volunteer? Our other opportunities have involved money, but sometimes just make the gift of time can be a blessing.

From the United Way website, there are ample opportunities for crafting masks if you have any sewing skills. This is from the safety of your home. Kits and instructions are included. I would be happy to pick up and deliver if anyone is interested.

www.volunteeruwlane.org/covid19volunteer

The McKenzie River Discovery Center is currently hosting the Vida Relief Center in the historic hatchery building, in partnership with the [McKenzie Community Development Corporation](#), [Northwest Youth Corps](#), [EWEB](#), [Lane County](#), [DEQ](#) and others, supplying food, water and essential

items to residents recovering from the fire. If you have interest and can give a little time, please call Gerri Astor at 646-437-0539. The pantry is open Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with shifts generally being 3 hours each.



Water Wells in Rural Uganda.

The Rotary Club of Eugene is raising \$20,000 to repair (not replace) up to 20 existing wells in 4 rural sub-counties of the Tororo District of Uganda as a separate but complimentary project to the club's global grant. We are collaborating with the Eugene Airport Rotary Club for this the first of two consecutive global grants in 2021 and 2022 to fund the maternal and child health project.

Clean water is essential for a community's health, and repair of these wells is important to the success of our Global Grant. Any contribution toward this effort will be much appreciated. Make checks payable to Eugene Rotary Charitable Trust and put Tororo Water Project in the memo line. Mail to

Eugene Rotary Charitable Trust
P O Box 1184 Eugene, OR 97440

If you would like more information, please contact Richard Barnhart MD at ricbar2@mac.com
Thank you for your support of this essential Rotary Project.



Fire Relief Fund Rebuilding in the Mud

Kindly view the video from Jeff Robinson with the sobering reality of the Holiday Farm Fire creating an obvious call to Rotary to help. Rotary is indeed stepping up. Both District 5110 and the Rotary Club of Eugene is helping. The real work now starts to support our friends and neighbors up the river many with hardly anything left of what their lives were and now deeply in mud the weather is bringing. Rotary to the Rescue is the call of the day. Visit the club website for links to helping the funding effort.

<https://eugenerotary.org>

Video about the 2020 Holiday Farm Fire from Jeff Robinson.

<https://vimeo.com/470871405>



New & Old Committees Energized

Youth Exchange Program

Remember those many students the club used to have at meetings from all over the world with its very active youth exchange program? A Pandemic certainly changed that. But the committee is reforming and wants to reenergize this Rotary bedrock program again for 2021 and 2022. Stay tuned. Ask Maxine Proskurowski if you want to get involved in the planning.



New Environmental Committee.

The club's Environmental Team has felt energized after listening to Ian Riseling's video conference last week on the subject of Rotary's new area of focus, the environment. The team met again and began developing a plan for several actions to pursue. Stay tuned for these new developments as the club formerly considers creating this new Environmental Committee.



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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m_MaJDK3VNE



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!



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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