

## **President's Message**

What a great social we had at the Laurlwood Pub last week; it is clear that many of us want to meet in person again. Monica Wilton and Lynne Grilley put this on and thanks to them for their efforts. Its primary purpose was to introduce new members to the membership and I think it was a huge success. In the coming weeks we will need the help of both our new members and seasoned members alike. At our last Board meeting we discussed the need to re-invigorate some of our committees that went dormant during COVID. In particular our fellowship and inspiration committee will need a jumpstart once we start meeting in person. I recruited the weekly inspirers while we met virtually and many stepped up to the plate and I thank them all (perhaps they tired of hearing from the Dalai Lama)!! But now we will need some in-person greeters and weekly inspirations in a systematic fashion and not burden Raquel with that task. So if you would like to be a part of (or Chair) this Committee or just be willing to greet or do the inspiration, please let Raquel Hecht or me know. Also, if any board member or Raquel ask you about helping on a Committee, please consider helping by serving the club. Our club will only be successful, if all of our members are involved.

Jennifer Geller will preside over the next meeting and I thank her for filling in a second time for me. We are still planning our first live in-person meeting to be our Presidential change-over on **July 6th!!** I will be in Seattle, this week, serving as an expert witness in a Civil case that involved the sinking of a towed drydock a few years ago in heavy seas. Since many of you may not have experienced heavy seas and how exciting that can be, I have provided a little of that for you in the attached video. Just remember that every day there are small boat operators out there doing this kind of work. This was done in Europe, but every day off the Pacific Northwest Coast Guard and commercial small boats are doing similar work. This is certainly not for the faint of heart or the inexperienced, and will give you an idea of what operating a small boat in close quarters is like.

This weeks program will be on Kids First with development director Jaclyn Lemonds. It should be another interesting program for all of us. I hope you all attend and invite a friend.

Best Regards,

Tom

PS: Jan found these the other day from my Mom's album. Some real relics!!

1. Cadet 1/C Gilmour as coxswain of the CGC Alert's small boat (with CGC Alert in the background). Europe cruise to Spain, France, Italy and the Madera Islands.

#### 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 Club Admin Co-Chair Club Executive Secretary Treasurer



Todd Anderson Treasurer-Elect



Monica Wilton Membership Co-Chair



<u>David A. Frosaker</u> Rotary Foundation Chair



Ravitej Singh Khalsa Public Image/Relations Chair



Robert Scott Impecoven Attendance Secretary



2. Cadet 2/C Gilmour climbing the fore mast on the Eagle (my background on Zoom) and a shot from the royal yardarm (highest sail) of the eagles bowsprit with cadets furling sails.





## June 29th Meeting • KIDS FIRST - Providing Hope & Healing

#### Kids FIRST with Jacyln U. Lemonds

Kids FIRST is Lane County's Children's Advocacy Center. Our mission is to provide intervention and advocacy to children who are victims of, or witnesses to, crime. Children are referred to us directly by our community partners: law enforcement, DHS Child Welfare, and medical professionals. Kids FIRST most often serves children for child sexual abuse, physical abuse, severe neglect, or witness to domestic violence. Approximately 3/4 of the children we serve are under age 12.

Jaclyn U. Lemonds is the Development Director at Kids FIRST. She was born and raised in Springfield, Oregon and is a University of Oregon journalism graduate.





Lynne Grilley Club Director-Membership. Membership co-chair



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



<u>Jennifer Geller</u> iPast President



Erik Peter Gribskov Assistant Governor

#### Birthdays

Mathias Craig July 5th Brent D. Kehn July 7th Susan Soonkeum Cox July 8th Margaret Hamilton July 17th Jim Howard July 19th Ed H. Barclay July 20th Michael F. Fox July 21st Don R. Doerr July 22nd R. Scott Palmer July 24th

## July 6th Meeting � Changing of the Guard

# Raquel Hecht becomes the Club President 2021-22 with Tom Gilmour becoming the Past President 2020-21

Looks like this meeting will be the first one live and in person in well over a year of Pandemic. And Tom Gilmour has the honor of being the first active, managing club **President** to have never shown up in person to a weekly meeting of The Rotary Club of Eugene! And that is quite a feat! The Pandemic time meetings were very unique. And actually quite successful. Attendance was fantastic. Accomplishments made. Projects fullfilled. Scholarships and fire relief. Many new members. All with the guidance of the now famous arm-chair President.

#### Stay Tuned for location of this first live meeting!



## July 13th Meeting **Scholarships**

The Eugene Rotary Scholarship Committee will have the official annual meeting on Tuesday, July 13 at the regular meeting. Stay tuned for exact location.

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!** 

#### Years of Service

John Wolf 07-20-1987 34 Years Richard C. Litchfield 06-30-1998 23 Years Harry B. Storr 07-03-2001

Michelle A Blackwell 07-01-2014 7 Years

20 Years

DeLeesa G. Meashintubby 07-20-2017 4 Years

Marianne Wood 07-02-2019 2 Years



Adri Lee, Faith Frank, Paige Dunnavant, Ruby Daniels, Raven, Anya Lloyd-Burchett

## **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

#### Water Wells in Rural Uganda funding.

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## Membership Social Gathering - Total Success!

Spring quarterly social gathering of long time, new and prospective Rotarians was a total success!

At the Pub on beautful Laurelwood Golf Course. Good food and good cheer. Even with the heat of the day, it was fun and certainly lively. Great time had by all in this first live social event since the Pandemic started. Rotarains were sure ready for this one. And showed up to have a good time.



## Changing of the guard at Lighthouse.

#### https://vimeo.com/568230965

This one brought back some interesting memories. I had to ride a crane like that onto a floating oil rig in the North Sea. As we got to it, the rig dropped a conical platform about 5 feet in diameter, with cargo netting on the outside. I got into it but was told "No, that's for your bag; you hang onto the cargo net and stay outside because if it falls into the ocean, you will be trapped inside the net and drown. Most interesting part was the crane operator could not see us; he had to rely on hand signals from a guy on deck. To add to the adventure, it was at night.



# **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 Permalink**

Join Club Zoom Meetings Tuesdays. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89774399598? pwd=TUNCZS80Y0tJQ3FQMWJDNy8yV3ZBQT09

