

# Rotary



# Club of Eugene

## President's Message



Hello Rotarians!

This week we will publish the writings of our Rotary International President, who provides great inspiration on the topic of polio eradication. Next week we celebrate polio eradication day around the world. We will watch a couple of videos that inspire and make us proud of our work.

In local news, we will announce the committee heads and members that were formed to search for interested, hardworking, soon-to-be board members such as yourselves for the year after next. Heads up that you may be called to service, and, of course, you can always reach out to one of the committee members if you are interested in serving on the Board in 2023!

Have a great week everyone and see you on Tuesday!

Raquel

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## October 24th World Polio Day!

## 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



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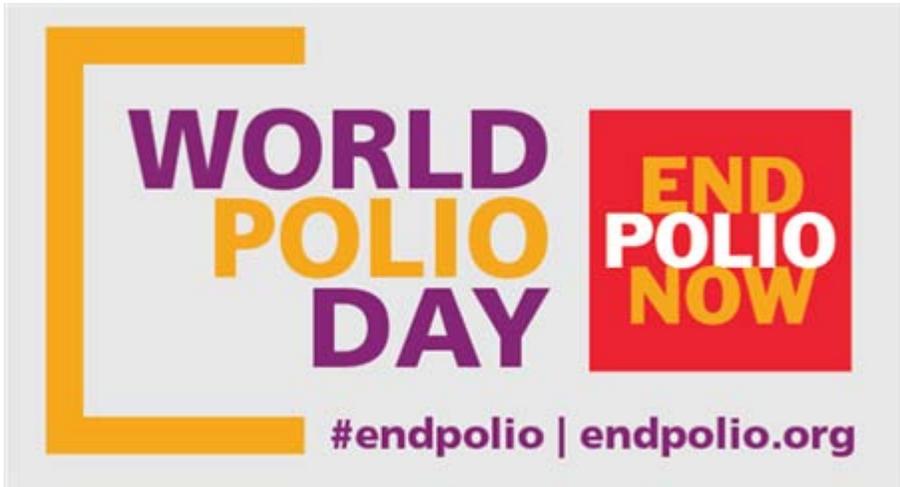
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Dear Rotarians, Oct. 24 we celebrated World Polio Day -- a day to honor Rotary's effort to eradicate polio. We encourage you to celebrate within your own clubs and communities this week

Please take a look at this message from Rotary International President Shekhar Mehta.

Best wishes.

Judy Corwin  
District PI Chair

## MESSAGE FROM RI PRESIDENT SHEKHAR MEHTA

### Rotary International President Shekhar Mehta



A quarter of the Rotary year is now behind us. I am sure you are helping Rotary to *grow more* and *do more*. And I hope you have already done your part for the Each One, Bring One initiative by introducing one person to Rotary.



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### Birthdays

James E. Barta  
October 24th  
Michael Syman-Degler  
October 28th  
Peter M Knight-Sheen  
October 30th  
Darryl Lynn Larson  
November 1st  
Mark G. McGinley  
November 3rd  
Richard Scott Forrest  
November 8th  
Marshall L Wilde  
November 16th  
Andy Vobora  
November 18th  
Piotrek Buciariski  
November 22nd

### Years of Service

Richard K Olson  
11-10-1986  
35 Years  
Timothy Forester  
11-14-1989

Do you ever think about your earliest days as a Rotarian? I often do because those first moments of discovering the power of service shaped who I am today. When I joined my Rotary club, our efforts focused on India's rural communities, where people were living without toilets, getting their drinking water from the same pond they bathed in, and sending their children to outdoor classrooms set up under a tree. The nearest health care provider often was miles away and the services were inadequate. But after Rotary clubs carried out some service projects, the villages had toilets, clean drinking water, a classroom for early learning, and a nearby health care center.

The spark that Rotary kindled within me forced me to look beyond myself and embrace humanity. It made service a way of life and led me to a guiding principle I still stand by: Service is the rent I pay for the space I occupy on Earth.

If you feel the need to reignite the spark of service in yourself or your club, October Community Economic Development Month is a great time to do so. When we work to improve the lives of people in underserved communities through, for example, projects that provide vocational training and access to financial resources we help build and sustain local economic growth,

The need is great. According to the United Nations, 9 percent of the world's population that's 700 million people, a majority of them in sub-Saharan Africa live on less than \$1.90 a day. By supporting strong community development as well as entrepreneurs, we can help improve conditions for people in that region and others.

Your club can also promote economic development in your own community by expanding vocational training opportunities through local schools and community colleges, partnering with lenders to improve access to financial services, or working with a nonprofit that provides resources to entrepreneurs and connects them with the business community.

Of course, developing strong communities is impossible without strong public health. On 24 October, World Polio Day, we'll celebrate our tremendous progress in the effort to eradicate polio. But we also know the fight is not over. We still need your help raising funds and awareness to ensure that all children are immunized against polio. Please don't forget to activate your clubs on that important day and encourage them to donate here: [endpolio.org/world-polio-day](http://endpolio.org/world-polio-day).

Service has been rewarding for me throughout my life. I know the same is true for many of you. Join me this month in becoming a good tenant of our planet by helping others to better themselves and their communities. Together, we can *Serve to Change Lives*.

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## October 26th Meeting Presentation: Environmental Dangers of Red Meat Industry

With Dr. Michael Martin from the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF).

32 Years  
Michael Grudzien  
10-31-1996  
25 Years  
Leonard H. White  
11-05-1996  
25 Years  
Michael Syman-Degler  
10-24-1999  
22 Years  
Craig Opperman  
10-26-2004  
17 Years  
Robert McOmie  
11-12-2007  
14 Years  
Geoffrey B. Koerner  
11-18-2008  
13 Years  
Erik Jorgensen  
11-10-2009  
12 Years  
Michelle Price  
10-28-2014  
7 Years  
Ken Vendley  
10-27-2015  
6 Years  
Peter M Knight-Sheen  
11-01-2016  
5 Years  
Marshall L Wilde  
11-21-2017  
4 Years  
Jim Howard  
11-21-2017  
4 Years  
Maxine Proskurowski  
11-05-2019  
2 Years



Dr. Martin is very active in the effort to combat climate change. In looking at the main drivers of climate change, he realized that red meat is a huge contributor to greenhouse gas production. Some scientists believe that, on a worldwide basis, red meat causes more greenhouse gases than do all vehicles. Reducing red meat consumption is the single most important thing most people can do to reduce their carbon footprint.

Red meat has also been associated with a wide variety of adverse health outcomes, including breast cancer, prostate cancer, colon cancer, diabetes, stroke, kidney disease, and many other conditions. Thus, red meat is neither good for us nor our planet.

When Dr. Martin recognized the problems associated with red meat, he started an organization called Physicians Against Red Meat (PhARM). The group's website ([pharm.org](http://pharm.org)) highlights the deleterious health and climate impact of red meat.

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## November 2nd Meeting - Oregon Community Foundation

### Public-private partnerships the key to solving Oregon's Housing Crisis

Speaker: Megan Loeb, Program Officer, Housing & Economic Vitality, Oregon Community Foundation



With over 25 years of experience in community engagement initiatives, Megan's passion is building meaningful, collaborative partnerships that strengthen the broader community. As a program officer at Oregon Community Foundation, Megan focuses on strategic projects to improve economic vitality and housing stability across the diverse landscape of Oregon. Prior to her role at OCF, Megan led corporate social responsibility initiatives for technology companies for two decades. Key accomplishments include developing and launching a multi-million dollar STEM initiative for educators and creating frameworks for mission-aligned corporate giving strategies. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in Communications from Santa Clara University and a Certificate in Corporate Citizenship from Boston College's Carroll School of Management. Megan serves as a Lead Partner with Social Venture Partners of Portland, a board member for the iSector Oregon Community Partnership, and is an active volunteer in her community.

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## Additional November Programs

November 9th Meeting: The Rotary Foundation



November 16th Meeting: Oregon House Bill 2001 with Alex Biddle.

November 23rd Meeting: Eugene Emeralds Baseball with Allen Benevides.

November 30th Meeting: Sustainable Development with Mo!

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## Zoom Meeting Link



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## Scholarship Committee

### Announcing Scholarship Committee Vacancy!



The Eugene Rotary Scholarship Board is looking to fill a vacancy on the Board. The term of the replacement will be for 3 years (ending in July 2024). The purpose of the ERSF is to fund and award scholarships to deserving high school students. If you are interested in applying for the vacant position, please send me an Email with the following information by **October 29, 2021**: Name, Address, Phone, Email, Length of time you have been a member of Eugene Rotary. Why you want to be on the Scholarship Board. And any special experience that you would bring to the Board

If you have questions, please contact Scott Palmer at 541-915-0905,  
[rscott85964@gmail.com](mailto:rscott85964@gmail.com)

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## Rotary Covid Service



Rotary Covid Service - this coming week our partners at Lane County will hold clinics at Lane Event Center to immunize our neighbors; one indoor and a shorter duration drive through for those with mobility needs. They are monitoring demand as Moderna and J&J are approved for booster doses. These clinics are currently fully staffed but please keep your eyes out in case the need arises for additional clinics. And PLEASE remember children will be eligible, probably in early November, and more volunteers may be necessary. You must complete our vetting process and be fully vaccinated. Please join us!

Liz Ness, President-elect [beans1259@aol.com](mailto:beans1259@aol.com)

Pete Gribskov, Assistant Governor [petelauriegribskov@comcast.net](mailto:petelauriegribskov@comcast.net)

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## Eugene Rotary through the years



Long before the now famous WJ Skatepark project was accomplished, the club was doing service at the location. Photo supplied by John Wolf.

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## Steam tractor pulling 44 farmers with plows. World Record.

<https://vimeo.com/638475832>



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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.

## Eugene Rotary Celebrating 100 Years March 2023!



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