

Rotary



Club of Eugene

Welcome to the 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. [More info.....](#)

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. [More info.....](#)

October 22 Program - Foster Parent College



The goal of FosterParentCollege.com is to help provide a safe haven for children in care by providing research-based training for resource parents. Our courses help strengthen the agency staff's efforts to support and retain high quality resource parents by providing quick and easy access to expert help on specific parenting and behavioral challenges through online training.

October 29 Program - Riverfront Development Project Update

The city of Eugene has been very vocal about the public park to be completed early in the Riverfront Development Project. Now hear from the developers their vision of how this crucial addition to community infrastructure will progressively fill in the other currently very vacant spaces.



November 5 Program - BDS Israel

BDS: The Boycott, Divestment, & Sanction Campaign against Israel. A deeper look into the founders, movement and alternatives to addressing building connections between Israelis & Palestinians for a pathway to peace. Andy Gitelson is the Executive Director of the Oregon Hillel Foundation. He is from Indiana originally but has called Eugene home since 2012 and holds a B.S. from Ball State University in Natural Resources Environmental Management and Interpretation,

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

October 22nd
[Eugene Weekly Meeting - Hometown Success - Foster Parent College](#)

October 29th
[Eugene Weekly Meeting Riverfront Project - Williams & Dame](#)

November 5th
[Eugene Weekly Meeting - Isreal BDS](#)

November 12th
[Eugene Weekly Meeting - Bring Recycling](#)

Club Leaders



[Jennifer Geller](#)
President



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Club Executive Secretary
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Rotary Foundation Chair



Community Service Committee

The October Community Service Committee meeting will be Tuesday October 22nd at 11:15 am in the lobby of The Graduate conference center. Please let us know if you have any items for the agenda, and feel free to invite other members interested in joining us.

U of O Rotaract Mentorship Program Mixer - Oct 22

The University of Oregon Rotaract President Alexi Overland has announced that on October 22nd, the UO Rotaract Club will be hosting a Mentorship Program Mixer! This will be a night full of mingling with our Rotaractors to create a sort of quick introductions activity for our Mentorship program. We feel that this event will create preliminary relationships that will make our mentor relationships even stronger and more beneficial! This is also a great opportunity to mingle with Rotaractors whether you are interested in being a mentor or not.



All are welcome (even if you are already a mentee) so please come join us in Room 112 in Willamette Hall. A light snack will be provided. Mentor forms will be available if you are interested in becoming a Mentor. Willamette Hall is right across 13th Street from the EMU.

Let's make this a BIG event for our Rotaract Club by attending!!

Food for Lane County a Huge Success!



Our club's monthly Food For Lane County volunteer night was a HUGE success on Wednesday night, due primarily to the overwhelming attendance of the University of Oregon Rotaract Club that we sponsor. A dozen Rotaractors attended making the work go quickly and adding to the camaraderie of Rotary at work. A Huge thank you to the U of O Rotaract Club members and their President Alexi Overland, for making this such a fun evening. Yes both of our Club's Presidents were in attendance (note Jennifer in her green rotary shirt in the middle), demonstrating that leadership makes a difference!!

Club Social - November 21st

Monday, September 30, 2019

Bring a guest and join us at the Steelhead brewery on November 21st for fun and fellowship. Mark your calendars now, more details to follow in future B(L)ogs!



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Gregory L. Stewart
Eugene Rotary Charitable Trust



Erik Peter Gribkov
Assistant

Rotary World Peace Conference



Interested in Engaging in Rotary's Peace Efforts? The Rotary World Peace Conference is in Ontario, California, January 17-18, 2020. More information available at www.PeaceConference2020.org.

Your Club kicks off the 2019-2020 Oregon Rotary Model United Nation program!

As many of you may know, Rotarian leaders were active promoters and advisors during the establishment of the United Nations (UN) and Rotary continues to be a major partner with the UN (<https://www.rotary.org/en/history-rotary-and-united-nations>).

As a consequence of this early and long association between Rotary and the UN, members of our Club believed that a Rotary-sponsored MUN would be a natural fit for us. After two-plus years of work, we held the first Oregon Rotary Model United Nations (ORRMUN) this past spring at the Valley River Inn and Conference Center in Eugene. I may have some bias but we have reported to the Club that it was an amazing and fulfilling event. You can watch the videos we prepared about the ORRMUN at <https://eugenerotary.org/modelun/>. Those of us who had the privilege of working directly on the ORRMUN and with the student delegations will be forever grateful for the opportunity to do so.



We are currently recruiting and fund-raising for ORRMUN 2020, which will be held on April 18 and 19, 2020 at the Graduate Eugene Hotel and Conference Center in Eugene. We are respectfully asking you to consider the information provided in this email and then choose to take advantage of this exciting opportunity for students and Rotarians alike by supporting the ORRMUN. There are many options for your support listed below ♦ why not try ALL of them?!!

1) **Encourage** high school students (grades 9-12) to apply to participate. Application forms will go live in November and be due in December. Each MUN ♦country delegation♦ consists of two students and one adult advisor. We in Eugene have chosen to specifically recruit AVID students (advancement via individual determination) but any student who applies will be considered. We are aiming for 15 to 20 country ♦delegations♦ of two students each) but may exceed that number if we have sufficient funding.

2) **Become** a MUN advisor for a delegation. We need 15-20 advisors (one per delegation). Last year all advisors but one were Rotarians from our Club or the UO Rotaract Club, so being a Rotarian is not a requirement if you have a spouse, partner or friend who is interested. Advisors need to commit by December 15 as training will begin in January, and all advisors will undergo background checks (required by Rotary for protection of the youth we serve.) Advisors work with their students for 1-2 hours per week from mid-January through mid-April (or as needed) and then participate in the MUN conference as part of their country♦s delegation on April 18 and 19, 2020.

3) **Sponsor** a delegation. The cost of a delegation sponsorship (all hotel rooms, meals, materials for team of three) is \$1,200. Our Club has pledged \$6,500 to the event and additionally, we are using our 2019-2020 District Grant of \$4,000, including matching funds out of the \$6,500, for the event. Also, four of our awesome Club members have each personally contributed the entire sponsorship for a delegation, adding \$4,800.

4) **Observe** the MUN as a guest. Come to observe all or part of the speeches, debates and negotiations that are part of the MUN sessions. You will be inspired by our MUN student delegates.

We are very close to having our Oregon Rotary Model United Nations FAQs finalized and an application form ready online. Meanwhile, for inspiration and information, please go to <https://eugenerotary.org/modelun/>

to view MUN 2019 pictures, two videos, two slide presentations and **get inspired!**

Please contact Jerry Harris if you have any questions. Please share this information with your friends and colleagues! We are working to grow the ORRMUN to include the entire Pacific Northwest region.

Best regards,

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Governor

Birthdays

Jon R. Ruiz
October 18th
Jim Mender
October 19th
Jeffrey John Ogburn
October 19th
James E. Barta
October 24th
Robert V Newland
October 27th
Michael Syman-Degler
October 28th
Stanley James Cox
October 29th
Peter M Knight-Sheen
October 30th
Joseph A. Tokatly
October 31st
Darryl Lynn Larson
November 1st
Mark G. McGinley
November 3rd
Richard Scott Forrest
November 8th
Heather Chavin
November 10th
Byron Trapp
November 10th
Marshall L Wilde
November 16th

Years of Service

John Wolf
07-20-1987
33 Years
Gregg A. Fuller
07-29-1997
23 Years
Harry B. Storr
07-03-2001
19 Years
John Raleigh Fox
07-20-2010
10 Years
Michelle A Blackwell
07-01-2014
6 Years
Garrett Ledgerwood
07-28-2015
5 Years