

Rotary



Club of Eugene

Presidents' Message



Murder most foul! Sam Spade, Miss Marple, Hercule Poirot, Philip Marlow, Jessica Fletcher – they all failed to solve the case of **Murder in the Strata-Sphere!** Now we are calling on all sleuths, flatfoots, private detectives, shamuses™, gumshoes, private eyes, dicks, covert operatives, P.I.s and Sherlocks to come together on April 11th to finally identify the culprit.

Mark your calendars, grab your floppy fedora, pocket your notepad, sharpen your pencils and tell your friends! Your Rotary Club is hosting a Murder Mystery Dinner and live auction at the Graduate on April 11th to benefit the Club. Stay tuned for more info to come!

See you Tuesday at noon! Ballet Fantastique™'s studio is at 960 Oak Street! It will be another great meeting.

Jerry

PS – There will be approximately 12 chicken croissant lunches and 12 bowl lunches. If you have a hankering for one or the other, you may want to come a couple minutes early to improve your chances of getting your preference. If you didn't RSVP for a lunch, it is unlikely that there will be more than one or two extras, so please snack accordingly!

Club Meeting

Eugene
Meets at Graduate Eugene (541)
342-2000
66 East 6th Street
Eugene, OR 97401
Time: Tuesday at 12:00 PM

Events

No Events found

Club Leaders



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February 6th Meeting: Ballet Fantastique

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BALLET FANTASTIQUE



Feb. 6--Ballet Fantastique at their performance place---965 Oak St. (downtown)--at 12 noon. There will be greeters to direct you where to go. Park in the overpark on the north side, take the elevator or stairs to the level floor.

We already closed the menu options for lunch--We will begin the meeting with our regular duties, the Ballet Fantastic presentation, questions and answers, and then walk across the hallway for a Cinderella rehearsal. For those who ordered lunch, please bring \$20 cash or a check payable to the Rotary Club of Eugene. This will be a great meeting! The company members will be there, along with music from Shelley James and the 'Agents of Unity'. Hope to see you there!



Maxine Proskurowski
Interact Rotary Adviser



Raquel E. Hecht
Youth Exchange
Past President



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Rotaract Rotary Advisor



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Birthdays

David A. Frosaker
February 7th
Richard C. Litchfield
February 7th
Mark Hewitt
February 7th
Noreen Dunnells
February 14th
Dan Montgomery
February 17th
Kerrie L. Johnson
February 20th
Karen Elizabeth Scheeland
February 24th

Years of Service

Phil Barnhart
02-22-1983
41 Years
Erik Peter Gribskov
02-21-1984
40 Years
Karen Elizabeth Scheeland
02-14-1989
35 Years
Gregory L. Stewart
02-27-1996
28 Years
Ravitej Singh Khalsa
02-26-2001
23 Years

February 21st: Food for Lane County Service



Food for Lane County, 770 Bailey Hill Road, Eugene, OR 97402

Wednesday February 21st from 6-8:30 pm

Eugene Rotarians have been helping out at Food for Lane County for over 20 years! Please, join us in continuing this meaningful tradition. Our Rotary Club comes in for approximately two hours per month to help sort, package and get food ready for distribution. It's a simple way to give back to our community and humbling to realize how easy it is to help others. Get to know your fellow Rotarians, help others and have fun - all at the same time. Friends, family, children 10+years old and older (supervised by an adult), all welcome!!

Our FFLC night in January was canceled due to the ice storm so we are hoping for a great turnout this month.

Contact Victoria at vwhitman@hearthstonere.com or 541-954-7171 if you would like to participate so she can let FFLC know how many volunteers they can count on.

Monica Wilton
02-25-2010
14 Years
Andy Vobora
02-19-2013
11 Years

News from Melbourne

By J. Whitman Harris

Dr. Fiona Clay, our former ambassadorial student from the late 80s, reached out to me to say hello this week. Dr. Clay's visit last year left quite the impression on her. In particular, she thought it would be beneficial to have a Rotary Alumni association or group to keep alumni of Rotary programs engaged after they "graduate". Alumni are defined here as graduates of Rotary programs such as: Interact and Rotaract; Rotary Youth Exchange; Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA); Rotary Model United Nations (MUN); Rotary Peace Fellowships; Rotary Global Grant Scholarships; Ambassadorial Scholarships (Fiona's category); Group Study Exchange (GSE) members and leaders; Vocational training teams (members and leaders); and other regional programs.

Dr. Clay took the initiative to look for this type of organization within Rotary and discovered that there are Rotary alumni groups and even a template for how to set one up. She found that the Rotary alumni associations are all basically founded and operated at the district level. Researching further she found that our own District 5110 has not established or promoted a District 5110 Rotary Alumni Association. She did a review of other districts and found that her neighboring District 9810 had a very robust Alumni Association. District 9810's Alumni page can be found here: [ROTARY ALUMNI | District 9810 \(9810rotary.org.au\)](https://9810rotary.org.au). She is planning on writing a letter to our District 5110 governor encouraging the establishment of a District Alumni Association and has ask me to participate in the effort with her. I agreed wholeheartedly.

I've often thought we are not being proactive enough with our own "Alumni" from Interact, Rotaract, MUN, Exchange students, scholarship awardees, and more. I appreciate Dr. Clay's efforts to re-engage with Rotary on this level. Hopefully we'll bring her back fully into the Rotary family but regardless, what a great testament to Rotary and to you, our members, for inspiring Dr. Clay!

Whatâ€™s up? Land of Enchantment



Find myself on assignment in New Mexico. Expanding Pickleball. Working on new and interesting projects. And simply getting up every day to a brand new day from this hilltop vantage. Northern New Mexico wakes up to a new look every day. The skies. The clouds. The totally unpredictable weather. High flying military jets overhead off to important spy observations. Playing pickleball with firefighters. Moving back into work left off after leaving LA for Oregon. TV and films. A place of enchantment at the same time the death capital as the US replaces all of itâ€™s nuclear warheads from Los Alamos Labs nearby. And with Santa Fe the number two art capital of the entire world after New York City, the creativity abounds. And a thousand years of cultural clash. First Nation, Spanish and Americana. And this little city of Espanola (means Spanish Women) is the place the conquistadors landed and decided to stay in this fertile valley so much like the Willamette Valley of the High Desert. Northern New Mexico feels so much like Eastern Oregon. High Desert. Forests. Water. But with so many cultures and history going back thousands of years. The very first church in the US long before the Pilgrims Landed. The first Capital Santa Fe. Itâ€™s one of the oldest established communities and cities in North America. The huge cities going back a couple thousand years.

The Center of the Sikh Yoga world is here. I have visited this place for over 50 years. Have done most of the branding, yoga manuals, photography and have a background leadership role in the organization. Itâ€™s kind of like a mini Vatican or Salt Lake. Another part of the organization is Yogi Tea in Eugene.

Not entirely sure what I am doing here. But every few years get some kind of new assignment. And off I go. This time hard to leave Eugene. And one of the main reasons is the Rotary Club of Eugene. A very unique community

resource. And one of the most unique Rotary Clubs with projects and success for the local community hardly seen anywhere else. Which makes it harder as here in this area the big project of the 100 year old club is a pancake breakfast during the art festival. I love the Eugene Club and all it does. And since feeling more like a temporary citizen here and still have family, housing, business and ties to Eugene, plan to stay as a member of the Rotary Club of Eugene for a bit. But not in charge of the Universe and things seem to as they say, change.

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Upcoming Meeting Programs

The Eugene Rotary Club has been known locally for over twenty years as the club with the best programs. Our return to in person meetings aspires to maintain that high bar. Here's what members can look forward to during the month of February:

Feb 6- Ballet Fantastique, Donna and Hannah Bontrager, Intro- Gregg Fuller

Feb 13- Food for Lane County. Carolyn Stein. Intro- Liz Ness

Feb 20-Boys and Girls Club, Matt Sorensen/Shelly Williams. Intro- Karen Gaffney

Feb 27- Eugene Mission, Sheryl Balthrop. Intro- Jerry Whitman Harris

Mar 5- Franklin Blvd Upgrade Project, speaker(s) TBA. Intro- Phil Barnhart, Jr

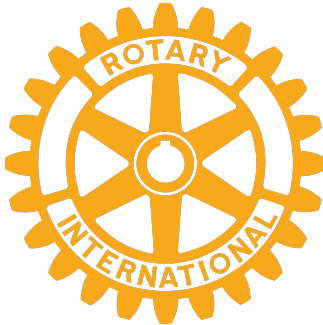
Next Committee Meetings

Program Committee: Wednesday February 14th at 8am, on ZOOM

Community Service: Wednesday February 28th at 4pm, at Boy Scouts Center, MLK Blvd.

Environmental Committee: Thursday March 7th at Noon, via the club zoom account.

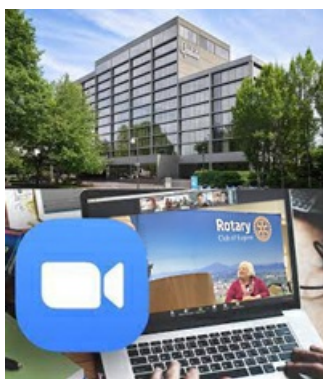
Rotary Club of Eugene



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Eugene Rotary Celebrating 100 Years

Regular in-person meeting at The Graduate Hotel this week or on Zoom - link below



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