

Presidents' Message



This week we will hear from Mary Camarata of the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality. As most of you know, Environment was added as the seventh Rotary Area of Focus in 2020. Our Club added the Environmental Committee to our stable of Club committees one year later. The Committee has been ably led by Dick Barnhart and currently by Bonnie Bailey since it's inception. If you have ideas about how we as a Club can improve the environment we live in,

please consider attending the next meeting of the Committee on May 2nd at noon via Zoom. Bonnie can provide you with a link.

I spent my career doing environmental investigations and implementing remedial actions to restore properties to safe and productive use. It follows that I was glad to see that Rotary took the important step of recognizing the toll that environmental degradation takes on almost every facet of our lives.

We are so lucky to live in Oregon, but even here, we need to be vigilant and diligent in our efforts to protect our amazing natural environment. Mary will be able to tell us what DEQ is doing to protect the environment on our behalf and give us a "report card†on how we are doing in Oregon.

See you Tuesday.

Jerry

Club Meeting

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

Events

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Club Leaders



Gerald William Whitman Harris President



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<u>Jesse Quinn</u> Community Service Co-Chair



Bonnie J Bailey Club Director Youth Services Chair

April 30th Meeting: DEQ with Mary Camarata





Mary Camarata will share how blighted or under-utilized properties in our communities could be put back into use. These former eyesores have been cleaned up and turned into parks, food banks, art studios, housing, health centers, libraries, and museums. Learn how this magic happens.

Mary Camarata is the Western Region Brownfield Coordinator for the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality and serves on the Governor's Regional Solutions Team. Mary has over 20 years working on brownfields sites.

<u>Maxine Proskurowski</u> Interact Rotary Adviser



Raquel E. Hecht Youth Exchange Past President



<u>Tom Gilmour</u> Rotaract Rotary Advisor



Noreen Dunnells Club Director Club Programs Chair



<u>Victoria Whitman Harris</u> Club Service FFLC Lead



<u>Doug James</u> Club Director Vocational Service Chair



<u>Philip Holt Barnhart</u> Club Director



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District Governor



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Philippines

Club of Cottage Grove

You are cordially invited to join the Rotary Club of Cottage Grove for a potluck dinner to celebrate the Rotary Friendship Exchange Team from District 3850, Central Philippines.

Tuesday
April 30, 2024
5:30 – 7:00
Saginaw Vineyard
80247 Delight Valley
School Rd
Saginaw, OR 97424



April 30 - Rotary Friendship Exchange Team from Central

Dinner will be held inside or outside, depending on the weather. Come, bring your favorite hone-made dish or pick something up along the way. Beverages for sale at the Vineyard. Meet the RFE Team Members and share in fellowship with other Rotarians.

Please RSVP to Club Secretary, Karol Kuhn Simons at rotary424cg@gmail.com The Rotary Friendship Exchange team from District 3850, Central Philippines, will be in our District from April 22nd through the District 5110 Conference.

On TUESDAY, APRIL 30th, the Rotary Club of Cottage Grove will be hosting a potluck dinner at Saginaw Vineyard that anyone is invited to attend. Attached is the invitation.

Please RSVP to Karol Kuhn at rotary424cg@gmail.com

Birthdays

Robert Scott Impecoven May 5th Diana Rae Bray May 6th Brent Allyn Johnson May 8th Jay Silverman May 18th Victoria Whitman Harris

Years of Service

May 25th

Susan Sygall
05-11-2000
24 Years
Dennis J. Biggerstaff
05-10-2011
13 Years
Philip Holt Barnhart
05-17-2016
8 Years
Brian Fox
05-03-2021
3 Years
Jacob Hamalian
05-19-2022
2 Years

May 3rd - Service Opportunity at Bags of Love



The Eugene Rotary Charitable Fund has allocated \$3,000 towards purchasing 12 or more shelving units. Your participation in assembling these units will directly contribute to optimizing storage space and improving operational efficiency at the Bags of Love warehouse.

Date: May 3rd Time: 2:30 pm - 5:00 pm **Location**: 1052 Green Acres Rd, Eugene, OR 97408

The impact of this project extends far beyond the warehouse shelves. By helping Bags of Love store more inventory, we're ensuring that they can continue to meet the growing demand for their services. Through our collective efforts, we can make a tangible difference in the lives of children and their families

across Lane County.

May 3rd, we are looking for **8 dedicated Rotarians** to lend a helping hand. Your commitment to service is what makes our Rotary Club truly exceptional, and I encourage you to seize this opportunity to make a positive impact alongside your fellow members.

Please RSVP by using the Sign-Up link below. https://signup.com/qo/RxaHZZz

Boys and Girl's Club of Emerald Valley Redication

Our Club received a nice shout out about our support of the Boys and Girls Club - Check it out if you can! As a Club, we are really good at doing good works in the community but not so much when it comes to tooting our own horn with the community. Let's remind ourselves to take that next step when we do a project locally. Make sure project leaders have a PR plan and that they implement it!











May 15th: Food for Lane County Service



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

Wednesday May 15th 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!!

Join us this month on May 15 at 6pm. It's a wonderful way to give back and appreciate how fortunate we are to be able to spend time together helping others.

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 May:

May 7- State of Nursing Panel, Jo Turner, Chris Rompala, Kevyn Paul. Intro-Chris Stephenson

May 14- Springfield Update, Nancy Newton. Intro- Noreen Dunnells

May 21- LPAPA- Air Quality, Travis Knudsen. Intro- Bonnie Bailey

May 28- Int'l Cult Svc Program- Yu Zhang. Intro- Jerry Harris

June 4-4H Animal Program, Liz Gill. Intro-Phill Barnhart, Jr

Next Committee Meetings

Environmental Committee: Thursday May 2nd at Noon, via ZOOM: **Program Committee:** Wednesday May 8th at 8am, via ZOOM

Community Service: Wednesday May 22nd at 4pm, at Lane Workforce Partnership

Club ZOOM:

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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



Automatic link: Click to link. If using the link, no password is

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