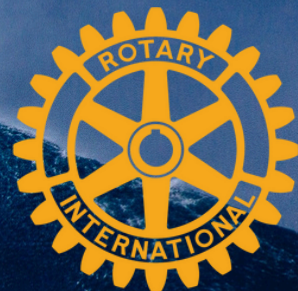


# The

# WAVE



Rotary Club of Edmonds

April 2025

Happy Spring!!! Every year, I anxiously await for the 4 months of gray cloudy weather to pass so I can say that. Now that skiing is done for me, I am no longer a winter lover. And just like the gorgeous cherry trees in my yard, we all seem to bloom and blossom this time of year. We had such a fun and active month as a club; everything from service projects to a social, as well as our terrific club meetings.

I hope you feel the same when you read the WAVE as I do when I create it - how lucky are we to have such a loving caring club?

Enjoy -

Maggie



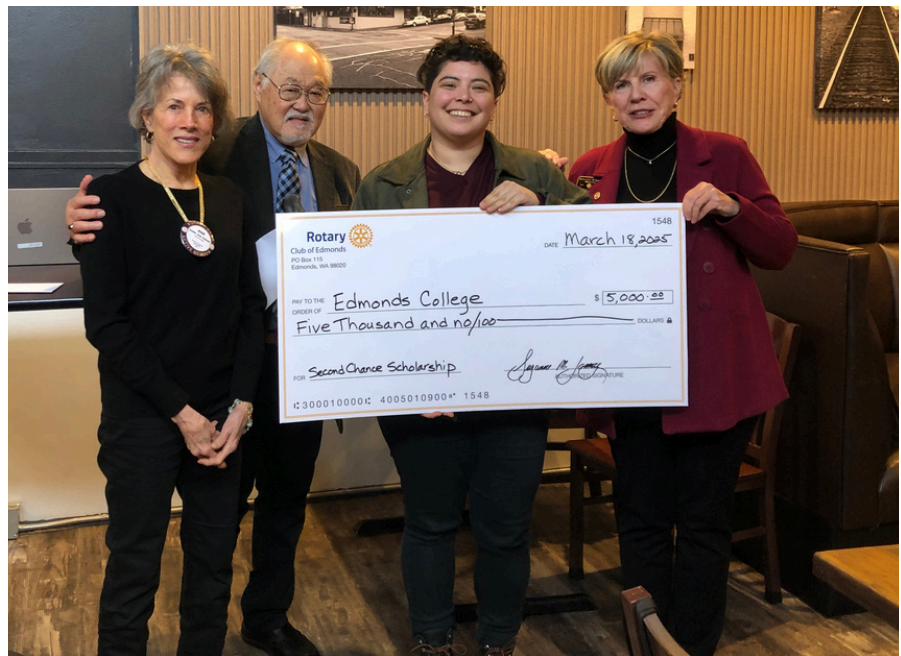


# Member Pride



Erika is gifted a Paul Harris Fellowship from her mother, long time Rotarian Nancy Ingrid Niemann

Suzanne and Richard present a check to Edmonds College for the Second Chance Scholarship. Joan Sheetz generously contributed \$5,000 to that fund. Amazing!



Pat Thorpe accepts Paul Harris Fellowship on behalf of her sister, Verna Blanford



# Erika goes to Bellevue



On the evening of February 18th, 2025 I attended the New Rotarian Celebration at Dave and Busters Restaurant in Bellevue. I had a lot of fun meeting new Rotarians from our District 5030. I would estimate at least 50 people attended. I met many Rotarians from multiple clubs in our District. Rachele Bouchand, Rotary International 5030 District Governor 2024-25 welcomed all of us with a heart felt welcome! We mingled for a little while and it was great to see everyone wore name tags so we learned new names with faces and the name of their club. We had heavy appetizers for food, one drink ticket was provided and we took a large group picture. For the lucky ones, 3 gift baskets were given away in a raffle drawing. All new members were given 1 raffle ticket. What a wonderful evening. I highly recommend new members attend next year!



Nice  
shout  
out  
from  
CASA



Thanks to the incredible generosity of the Rotary Club of Edmonds and the support of Edmonds Bookshop, children served by our program received a specially selected book that uplifts Black voices and narratives.

For children in out-of-home and foster care, books can be a source of comfort, encouragement, and hope. By sharing these powerful stories, we help ensure that every child we serve feels seen, valued, and inspired to dream big.

We are so grateful for this partnership and the opportunity to foster learning and empowerment through literature. Thank you, Rotary Club of Edmonds and Edmonds Bookshop, for making this possible!



# March **SPEAKERS**



March 4, 2025  
Edmonds City Council  
woman Vivian Olson  
and Christie Veley of  
South Snohomish Fire  
present data about  
the upcoming vote on  
April 4th.

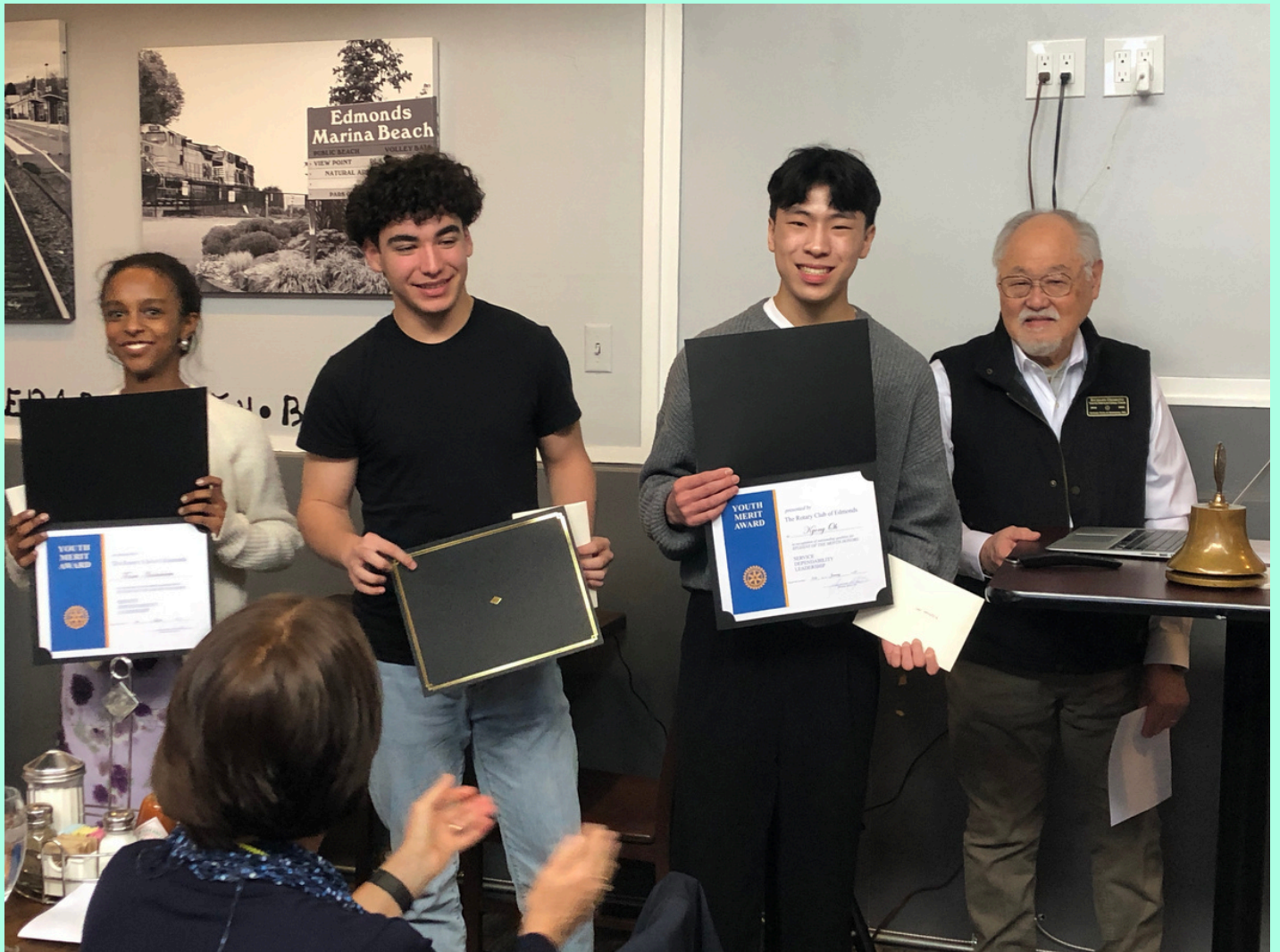
March 18, 2025

Dave Spicer

Dave gave the club a great  
overview of what Rotarians  
both locally and globally are  
doing to help the environment  
and combat global climate  
change







Students of the month:

January - Kyong Oh

February: Keegan Wright

March: Fana Adualem

*Congratulations!*



# ***SERVICE PROJECT***

## ***ALERT***

### Furniture Repair Bank

March 8, 2025

On Saturday, March 8th, a group of 10 volunteers made up of club members and family, ventured to SODO district to the Furniture Repair Bank warehouse to refurbish furniture. The mission of the Furniture Repair Bank is..." Reducing waste, building resiliency.



With the help of dedicated volunteers and partners, we revive unwanted furniture and provide it to families in need, addressing climate issues and creating a positive impact locally."







Upon arrival at the warehouse @ 8:45 AM, we could see recently refurbished furniture such as a dining table, chairs and a dresser that had been beautifully restored and destined for a family in need that morning!







## **Awesome Rotarians at Work!!!**





After hearing about the work of the Furniture Bank by Xenia Dolovova, Founder & Director of Furniture Bank, we received the necessary safety information and were assigned to various workstations. Phil, Eng and Rob got to work removing upholstery and a zillion staples from dining chairs, while Joan, Nancy, Alison, and I started reupholstering dining chairs. Out on the loading dock, Bill (Eng's husband), Robert, and Mathew (Robert's son) got to work sanding a dresser.

In less than 3 hours at the end of our shift at noon, we were amazed at how much we accomplished! Close to a dozen chairs stripped down and ready for new upholstery, two dining chairs about 90% complete with new upholstery and the dresser on the loading dock was about ready for a new finish.







Besides feeling a sense of accomplishment at helping our neighbors in need, we were also able to learn new skills required to refurbish furniture for others or ourselves! We hope to schedule another group event sometime this summer, in the meantime you can also volunteer as an individual as well @ [Repairbank.org](https://Repairbank.org).

by Suzanne James



# Death by Chocolate



Another  
AMAZING  
murder mystery  
dinner. Host Libby  
and Chef  
Adrienne have  
done it again!







*Amy and Guzanne studying their parts*



*(Ghhhhh... she's the murderer)*







*Just delicious!!*



# Our awesome club members nurture our community.



Several club members attend the Waterfront Center Luncheon (there were a bunch of other members, but could not find them for the photo).

A big group of caring RCE members showed up for the Kids in Transition gala.





# Kids In Transition Annual Gala





# Dusted Valley Wine Bar

March 26, 2025



*Another gathering of great friends*









# SAVE THE DATE

**Edmonds Marsh Walk**, led by Joe Scordino, will be held on Saturday, April 5th at 9:00 AM. Meet up at Edmonds City Park, 600 Third Ave., S. Assemble at the crosswalk off SR 104. Sign-up sheet available at meeting

**Learning Symposium @ MI Community Center** Sat.

April 19th. This district training event will equip existing and new board members with the tools and knowledge to elevate your Rotary Club experience.

**Sound Foundations NW – Tiny Home Build** Sat. April 26th. Two more spots available. Sign-up sheet available at meeting

**Annual Retreat** - President-Elect, Pat Shields, will be hosting his retreat on May 17th, at the Best Western Hotel from 11:00 – 4:00 PM (Lunch to be provided). More details to follow.

**Changing of the Guard** on Sunday, June 29th @ 2:00 PM at Maggie Peterson's Home – More details to follow.

**Rotary International Convention** – This year the event is being held in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, June 21st – 25th, 2025. Still time to register for the event.