

# The

# WAVE



Rotary Club of Edmonds

April 2026

## A message from the President-elect

Hello Edmonds Rotarians,

In February, I attended PELS, the President Elect Learning Seminar with hundreds of other President Elects from Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Canada. What an incredible weekend it was!

PELS (or PETS as it was called for years) is designed to equip Presidents Elects with the tools, confidence, and connections we will need to guide our club in the year ahead. It wasn't just a training weekend, but one that gave me a great jump start on helping translate Rotary's vision into action in our club and community. I felt like I was drinking from a fire hose with all that we learned!

Rotary International has The Rotary Action Plan which leads Rotarians to form more meaningful connections and make a more sustainable difference through service. You, as members of Rotary Club of Edmonds do this as well. Using the plan's four priorities as a guide, we're fulfilling the vision of Rotary International and the Rotary Foundation: having a healthy club, providing engaging experience for all, and uniting people to take action with us to create lasting change.

I will be creating a committee to update our club's Strategic Plan which helps us align our goals, articulates and prioritizes strategies, and holds us accountable. It will be a roadmap for our members and shows what we want our Club to be over the next five years. I will be sending out a survey to learn what you think is going well and where improvements may be made. With that information, the committee will get to work on updating our Strategic Plan using work done by Rotary International as the cornerstone for its structure. Please reach out to me if you would like to be a part of this committee.

Please mark your calendars for our upcoming Club Retreat. It will be held on May 30 at the Richmond Highlands Recreation Center in Shoreline and I hope that all of you can join us. This is my opportunity to share the results of the survey, share information about the upcoming year and to get your input on how we can continue to grow our Club as we provide service to those in our community and elsewhere in the world. The time is TBD at this point, but I'm thinking it will be 10:00-2:00 or so.

More to come!  
Yours in Service,  
Adrienne

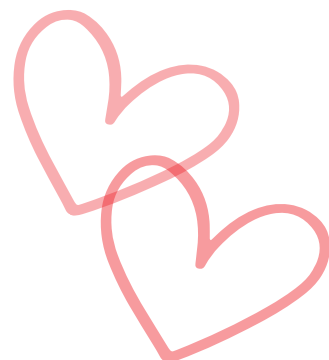


We  Our members

Incoming member Janice Warren and  
our own sweet Carol.



THIS is who we are. These two met  
five minutes prior, but you could  
already feel a friendship forming. I  
love our club!!!!



# March SPEAKERS



March 3, 2026

Khara and Dana introduce the club to the new Food for Today; Hope for Tomorrow initiative that will roll out in June.

Rob, Amy and Lynn update the club on Oktoberfest planning.



March 17, 2026

ACE (Adverse Childhood Experiences)  
Grow Now

Rae Ann Hall explained how the Grow Now program helps ease childhood trauma.



# *In Loving Memory*

*You will be missed*



*Elizabeth Crouch*



# Edmonds Waterfront Center - March 7, 2026



Julie



Virginia

international

WOMEN'S DAY



Maggie



Casey



Ciela Valle-Olguin of Edmonds College



stopped by to pick up a \$5,000 check for Second Chance Scholarships and thank the donors.

## Service Project Update: Furniture Repair Bank

Club members and their families once again came together to support our community. On Saturday, March 23rd, a group of nine volunteers participated in a service project at the Furniture Repair Bank, helping to refurbish donated furniture. Tasks included painting and staining, cutting upholstery patterns, steam cleaning, and removing staples and nail heads.

The Furniture Repair Bank's mission is to keep furniture in circulation for the benefit of all members of our community—eliminating waste, fostering repair skills for future generations, and ensuring that vulnerable households have access to quality furniture.

Thank you to everyone who participated for their time and effort in making this a productive and successful day!





# Club Social

EdWay Tap House

Wednesday, March 25, 2026





# CASA Reads

Service initiative involving  
CASA and the Edmonds  
Bookshop:

In recognition of Black History  
Month in February, and in  
support of our partners at the  
Court Appointed Special  
Advocates (CASA)  
organization, the Service  
Committee collaborated with  
Edmonds Bookshop to  
purchase books for children  
ranging from preschool  
through high school. The  
committee allocated \$1,800  
for this initiative.



CASA supports and promotes court-appointed volunteer advocacy for children and youth who have experienced abuse or neglect.

Michelle Bear, owner of Edmonds Bookshop, thoughtfully curated a diverse selection of books representing a wide range of ages and backgrounds. On February 10th, several members of the Service Committee met with Michelle and Grace Stensland from CASA for a brief photo opportunity and to formally present the donated books.



## Club Meetings:

April 7, 2026 - Rick Steve's Service  
Above Self award



April 21, 2026 - TBA



May 2, 2026  
Annual wine tasting fundraiser  
See Libby to sign up



Oktoberfest  
September 11-12, 2026



Next Board of Directors Meeting:  
Edmonds Public Library  
April 6, 2026 - 5:00 - 6:30  
All members are welcome to attend