

the wave



April Fools Day ~ April 1, 2022



These pictures are of a very special presentation. Brian Albright and Jason Peltier both received Paul Harris Fellowship Awards. This recognition is to honor the generosity in donations of at least \$1,000 to the Rotary International Foundation. In this case it is especially notable because both Brian and Jacob joined our club just a short time ago: Brian in 2020 and Jacob in 2021, both during the Covid-19 Pandemic. With all that is happening in the world right now, we appreciate the generosity of Brian and Jacob, and their understanding of the role that Rotary plays in striving to make things better.

President's Message

Last month I ruminated about the “hope” of Spring. It’s also a time of transition. Not only in your back yards, but within our own club. April marks “training month” for the new Officers and Chairs who will be assuming their roles in July. The outgoing Chair meets one on one with the incoming Chair of each committee. They review the CLRR (Club Leadership Role and Responsibilities) document. If they added procedure, contacts, etc., during their tenure, they will pass those along to the new Chair and they can be added to the CLRR for future Chairs. They also go over their budget, discuss any additions/subtractions they would recommend based on how their budget aligned with actual spending. And they talk about goals. President-Elect Debbie will be meeting with each new Chair during April to discuss their goals for the next Rotary year.

Why am I telling you all this? I want you to know that Leadership will be strong in the new Rotary year, starting July 1. Not only will the Chairs be completely ready, PE Debbie has done extensive training and research to prepare to be a great President for Edmonds Rotary.

What part do you play in making 2022/23 a great year? Engage...engage...engage. One of the hardest parts of leading the club is not having members participate in club activities or work with committees. It’s super corny, but teamwork really does make the dream work. Please remember that behind every event is a dedicated Rotarian, or a team of Rotarians, who have worked hard to make it happen.

Let’s have some fun.

Maggie

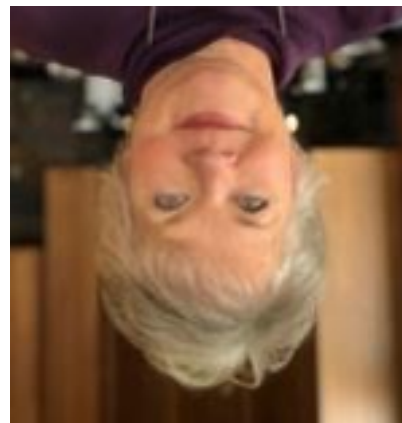
Note from Michelle Miller:

I plan to host an **Edmonds Rotary Fundraising Alley Sale** in the parking area behind my condo address 508 Bell Street, Edmonds on Saturday, June 11 from 9am to 3pm. The sale will coincide with the Saturday, Edmonds Farmers Market and should bring a lot of foot traffic. My condo has a parking area off the alley off 5th Ave and between Bell and Main St. If anyone wants to donate items to sell please make sure they can be hand carried, for example: artwork, books, jewelry, home accessories, kitchen wares, tools, no clothing, furniture or shoes.

Cars of shoppers will not be able to access the alley as it is shut down on the 5th Ave end for the market.

If anyone has items to donate please have them contact me [withone 1@comcast.net](mailto:withone1@comcast.net).

We could use 3 volunteers in two shifts 8:30 (setup) till noon and then from noon to 3:30 (take down.) Folding tables or canopies would also be useful. I have 3 canopies and 4 tables so far. **All proceeds will benefit Edmonds Rotary.**



April 1 to May 1, 2022

Ukraine Disaster Response Fund

The Rotary Foundation has created an official channel for Rotary members around the world to contribute funds to support the relief efforts underway by Rotary districts, and has designated its Disaster Response Fund as the main avenue for contributions.

Contributions to the Disaster Response Fund at Rotary.org received by 30 April 2022 qualify for use in support of the Ukrainian relief efforts. Rotary districts can apply for expedited disaster response grants to provide relief to refugees or other victims of the war in Ukraine including items such as water, food, shelter, medicine, and clothing.

To donate, go to [DisasterResponseFund](https://www.rotary.org/en/DisasterResponseFund)



Programs

Marty Ronish, Past President of Floretum Garden Club gave us a good look at their 100 years in Edmonds. There are so many lovely aspects of our community that can trace back to the efforts of Floretum. Also joining us that day was Inae Piercy and Barbara Chase, whose late husband Vern was a well loved member of our club.

For St Patrick's Day we welcomed author Neal Thompson, who shared a little about his latest book, "The First Kennedys: The Humble Roots of An American Dynasty". Signed copies are now available at the Edmonds Bookshop. Adrienne Miller also welcomed John Keane, Honorary Irish Consulate for Seattle, who came to hear Neal.

Andy Cline, of Cline Jewelers, is no stranger to many of our members. He is a second generation owner of the retail store in downtown Edmonds, and besides answering a number of interesting questions about diamonds, etc, etc, there were many testimonials from members he has helped, especially with sentimental family pieces. Andy is also well known in Edmonds because of his generous spirit and financial support of so many causes and events in the community.



September 23-24, 2022

Our Student of the month is Snezhana Nesterchuk, from Meadowdale High School.

Maggie continued her praise of hard working Rotarians by hailing Alison Pence as Rotarian of the Month. Another hard working member who joined during the Pandemic, she has nonetheless jumped right in to help in many ways. These are difficult times to keep members engaged, but it is also true that our efforts are needed now more than ever.



From the Editor

This is the first edition of The Wave to be published on April Fools Day, so no, not confused. Just a few quirks in this edition to keep you on your toes and smiling

Spring is finally arriving. We are not quite so frozen, from the change in the weather as well as from the pandemic panic fading a little to the background. Of course, here in the northwest we have dealt with it all differently than some other areas. And that has made all the difference, to me at least, when I venture out.

*We are actually scheduling live events, so take note. Write the dates on your calendar... you still have a calendar, right? Get back into your real clothes, get ready to party, and hopefully more of you will find your way back to meetings at noon on Tuesdays! Connection is important in Rotary. Many of us will be celebrating Easter on April 17. (Be sure to have your taxes done by then! No grace periods this year.) Happy Easter! And be sure to wish muslim friends a happy Ramadan - **Ramadan Mubarak** or **Ramadan Kareem** - during the month of April.*

*I'll hopefully be venturing out to foreign shores once again the end of this month. I'm looking forward to it. Of course that means the next edition of **The Wave** will be a few days late...
Happy Spring to you all!*

Pat Thorpe, Editor
c'est finis



May 21 Wine Tasting

June 4 Club Retreat,
La Conner Country Inn,
10:00am - 4:00pm

June 11 Demotion Party

September 23 - 24 Oktoberfest