

Rotary



Club of Eugene

July 15th meeting - Emergency Communication using Amateur Ham Radio - Past President Ron Gietter



This week we have a serious and timely presentation on possibly the only communication option impacted communities may have in a disaster when all else fails. In the event of a major disaster like an earthquake, tsunami or major flooding, the only form of communication may be Ham Radios. Ron will explain how there are a group of radio operators in the Eugene/Springfield area that can step in to communicate with Government Services to advise them as to what is occurring in the city.

About Ron:

Ron is a member of the Lane County Sheriff's Amateur Radio Operators (LCSARO) and is in training to become a member of the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES). Ron is licensed by the FCC as an

Amateur Ham radio operator. Ron will share pictures and videos on how ARES operators will function in the event of a disaster.

July 15th - At The Graduate

The Tuesday July 15th meeting will be at The Graduate, 66 E. 6th. Avenue, Eugene, OR 97401.

Special Note: Just a heads up to our members - Next week's meeting (July 22nd) will be at The Shedd; the following week (July 29th) we are back at the Graduate; and the August 5th we will be back at The Shedd for our annual OFAM meeting. The September 9th meeting is also an away game, location TBD.

Long Story Short - Our Fabulous Scholars!

Last week we met our 2025 Rotary Scholars - and boy are they an outstanding group of young women and men. Our Scholars are: Samara Cooper, Olivia Klopp, Staci Sprain, Makani Stephenson and Elijah Wilkins. Here are a few photos:

Club Meeting

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

Events

July 15th
[Rotary Club of Eugene Weekly Lunch Meeting](#)

July 16th
[Food for Lane County Monthly Volunteer Opportunity](#)

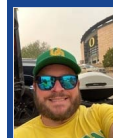
July 22nd
[Rotary Club of Eugene Weekly Lunch Meeting](#)

July 23rd
[Rotary Club of Eugene's Community Service Committee Meeting](#)

July 29th
[Rotary Club of Eugene Weekly Lunch Meeting](#)

August 5th
[Rotary Club of Eugene Weekly Lunch Meeting](#)

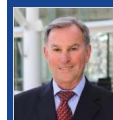
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Club Admin
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and...to top it off, we were introduced to two young women who will be attending the MIUSA Women in Leadership and Disability (WILD) Conference. Our Club contributed a \$10,000 grant to MIUSA for WILD Conference expenses:



This is your Rotary Club making our community and the world a better place.

THANK YOU!

Mike and Andy - Wheelchair Wizards

Thanks to Mike Grudzien and Andy Vobora six wheelchairs donated by The Wheelchair Project were picked up in town and delivered to the Eugene Airport at Zero Dark Thirty in the morning (aka 5:00 am) on Friday July 11. To meet six attendees arriving for Mobility International USA's Women in Leadership and Disability (WILD) Conference here in Eugene. Thank you Andy and Mike!

Rotary Club of Eugene Submits Global Grant Proposal to Eradicate Cervical Cancer Globally

Our Club's International Service Committee (Committee) is preparing to join an international Rotary campaign to eradicate cervical cancer globally by submitting a global grant preproposal at the July 12th District Grants Committee meeting. Our Club's proposal targets both primary and secondary prevention strategies. Cervical cancer is the leading cause of death in women in Uganda. Almost all cases are caused by two serotypes of the human papilloma virus (HPV). Vaccination of girls prior to the start of sexual activity is nearly 100% effective in preventing cervical cancer.

If approved by the District, the \$73,600 grant (total includes \$32,000 in District matching funds and \$25,600 in matching TRF World Funds) will support the Rural Health Team (RHT) in working with the District Health Officer in the Tororo District of Uganda to improve the HPV vaccination rates in girls 9-14 years of age by expanding vaccine access and addressing the barriers that keep girls out of school so they miss school based vaccination



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Birthdays

- Ed H. Barclay
July 20th
- Don R. Doerr
July 22nd
- R. Scott Palmer
July 24th
- Sonya Carlson
July 25th
- Doug James
July 30th
- Harry B. Storr
August 1st

clinics (primary prevention). In addition, RHT clinicians who have been trained in the use of visual inspection with acetic acid (VIA) to identify precancerous and early cervical cancer lesions as well as thermocoagulation to treat those lesions will train an additional 12-13 healthcare providers in these techniques to screen for cervical cancer in women (secondary prevention). Thousands of girls and women will benefit from these grant activities.

The Committee and Club have worked for several years alongside Airport Rotary to support the Rural Health Team, a small group of clinicians working to expand health care access to the most rural areas of the Tororo District. This is a great Rotary project that we can all get behind.

Food for Lane County - Call for Volunteers

Our FFLC volunteer night is **always** on the third Wednesday of the month - so put it on your calendar as a recurring event and let's see you join us this month! We will do our part to spread the bounty to our fellow citizens who don't have enough to eat and have a great experience too. Help us by **joining in at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, July 16th, 2025 at Food for Lane County**. Friends, family, children 10+years old and older (supervised by an adult), are all welcome!.

Let's vow to do what we can to prevent hunger. Please contact **Victoria Whitman** at vwhitman@hearthstonere.com or 541-954-7171 if you would like to participate so we can let FFLC know how many volunteers they can count on. We have committed to at least six volunteers a month. The more people who come, the more fun it is! We have had some great are FFLC socials at local establishments serving food and libations so come join us!

PLEASE DON'T FORGET - FFLC was looking at a 15% drop in critical meal basics (especially proteins) due to the current administration's cuts in Federal Grants programs before the recently passed federal legislation. With the recent passage of President Trump's Big Beautiful Bill in the House and Senate, reductions in the SNAP program are expected by Oregon government officials to result in thousands of current SNAP recipients being removed from the food assistance program in Lane County and Oregon. *If you can't volunteer, please consider donating food directly to FFLC.* You can drop off your donations at their facility located at 770 Bailey Hill Rd., Eugene.

Food for Lane County, 770 Bailey Hill Road, Eugene, OR 97402
Wednesday, July 16th from 6-8:30 pm (due to recent shortfalls in rescued foods we often complete our work well before 8:30).

Field of Dreams at PK Park

Andy Vobora and Jerry Whitman Harris are trying to put together a Rotary table of ten for the **Boys and Girls Club of Emerald Valley (BGCEV)** Field of Dreams event at PK Park on August 14th in the evening. If you are interested in joining us we have some (five at last count) seats available. As you may know, our Club members were instrumental in founding the **BGCEV** in 1999. Please contact Andy at andyduck51@gmail.com or Jerry at gwharris@comcast.net for details.



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BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF EMERALD VALLEY

Upcoming Meeting Programs

The Eugene Rotary Club is known locally for our outstanding speakers and programs. Here's what members can look forward to during the next month:

July 22 - The Wild Salmon Center - Stacey Detwiler. Introduction - Liz Ness.

July 29 - Diversity, Equity and Inclusion at the University of Oregon - Dr. Yvette Alex Assensoh. Introduction - John Wolf.

August 5 - Oregon Festival of American Music. Introduction - Jerry Harris

August 12 - The Schnitzer Museum with our own Peggy Whalen. Introduction - Liz Ness.

Maxine Proskurowski
August 2nd
Ward Beck Jr.
August 5th
Erik Peter Gribskov
August 8th

Years of Service

John Wolf
07-20-1987
38 Years

Mary Jeanne Jacobsen
08-03-1987
38 Years

Gregg Fuller
07-29-1997
28 Years

Victoria Whitman Harris
08-10-2007
18 Years

Brent Allyn Johnson
08-06-2013
12 Years

DeLeesa G. Meashintubby
07-20-2017
8 Years

Susan Heisey
07-27-2021
4 Years

Stephanie Bulger
07-29-2024
1 Year

Next Committee Meetings

Community Service: The Committee will go on hiatus for July and August. Next meeting will be in September. Date TBD. Meetings are held at 4:00 pm at Susan Heisey's office, 747 E. 32nd Ave, Suite A1, Eugene (normally on first Wednesday).

Environmental Committee: Monday, August 4th at Noon, via ZOOM (first Monday). [Click here for Zoom link to Env. Committee Meetings](#)

Program Committee: Wednesday, August 6th at 8:00 am at Stifel office, 497 Oakway Rd #280, Eugene, OR 97401. **(first Wednesday)**. Zoom will be available - request link from Chris Stephenson if you are not a committee member.

International Service Committee: Tuesday, July 15 at 8:30 am, via ZOOM (third Tuesday) [Click here for Zoom link to Int. Service Committee Meetings](#)

Club Board Meeting: Tuesday, July 15 at 4:00 pm (third Tuesday). If you wish to attend, contact President-Elect Phil Barnhart to reserve a seat.

News you can use (and other snippets of useless information)

July 20 is the anniversary of Man's first steps on another world. On July 20, 1969, Apollo 11 carried the first humans to the moon. Six hours after landing on the moon, American Neil Armstrong stepped onto the lunar surface. As he stepped onto the moon's surface Armstrong described the event as "one small step for [a] man, one giant leap for mankind." Armstrong spent two and a half hours outside the spacecraft. Buzz Aldrin soon followed, stepping onto the lunar surface. After joining Armstrong, the two men collected 47.5 pounds of lunar material. Their specimens would make the journey back to Earth to be analyzed.

The last person to walk on the Moon was Eugene Cernan, during the Apollo 17 mission. This occurred on Dec. 14, 1972 according to NASA..

July 24 is National Make Up Your Own National Day Day. The rest of the July National Days are lame so I made this one up. Anyone who reads this is welcome to send me their suggestion for their National Day. Best one as judged by me gets some kind of prize TBD.

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Rotary is an organization of 1.4 million business and professional leaders united worldwide in 30,000 Clubs to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

The Rotary Club of Eugene has served the Eugene and Springfield Area for 100 years. We look forward to our second 100 years of Service.

We meet at The Graduate Eugene, 66 E. 6th Street, Eugene Oregon. Meetings are held weekly on Tuesdays at Noon. We can be contacted at PO Box 1184, Eugene, Oregon 97440. Our phone number is 541 654-0921. Our email address is EugeneRotary@gmail.com.

Join us to make an impact in our community and around the world! To find out more about membership and fill out an application please visit:

[Rotary Club of Eugene Membership](#)

Club meetings can be attended on Zoom - link below

Meetings will be on Zoom assuming internet availability
Automatic link: Click to link. If using the link, no password is required.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83908618864?pwd=Ly85Skc3NXhoVTZGQTZjeGpCWGI2dz09>

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