Engaging business and community members to support youth and those in need



The Issaquah Squaker **April 2022**

Upcoming Meetings / Events

Apr 5th 5:30 p.m. at Big Block Brewery Chris Laux's Classification Talk

> Apr 11th 5:30 p.m. on **ZOOM Board Meetings**

Apr 12th Noon at Depot Museum Beth Tesh and Sten Chrissy District 5030's partnership with Bloodworks NW

Apr 19th 5:30 p.m. at Big Block Brewery State Legislators' Update

Apr 20th 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. at Pickering Barn **Grape Escape**

Apr 26th Noon at School District 5150 Bldg. Student of the Month Awards

May 3rd 5:30 p.m. at Big Block Brewery Issaguah Schools Foundation Update

May 7th 9:00 a.m. at The Hope Factory (in SODO) **Tiny Homes Building Project**

> May 9th 5:30 p.m. on ZOOM **Board Meetings**

May 10th Noon at Depot Museum Partners for Work – Mock Interviews

May 17th 5:30 p.m. at Big Block Brewery Dan Muhs, US Geological Survey

May 24th Noon at School District 5150 Bldg. Scholarship Awards

> May 31st 5:00 p.m. (location TBA) 5th Tuesday Club Social

Welcome, New Membersi



Claudia Stritmatter Classification: **Boutique Caterer**

Claudia operates Your Gourmet Chef, a commercial caterer taking part in Grape Escape.



Ryan Clark Classification: **Creative Designer**

Rvan is Director of Amazon's Books/Kindle Design Studio, enhancing brand marketing and user experience.



Membership Anniversaries

Bob Brock AJ Taylor

Birthdays

Craig Nelsen 1st week **Bill Ramos** 1st week Lesley Austin 3rd week



March Member Appreciations



Matt Brinton—for creating an on-line platform for students to submit their Scholarship applications.

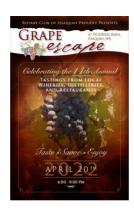
April

- Cassie—for representing Issaquah Rotary and speaking before 500 Rotarians attending San Jose's PETS meeting.
- **Scott**—for serving on the judging panel of this year's Influence the Choice video contest.
- Craig—for donating a bass guitar to The Garage, A Teen Cafe.



Tiny Homes Building Project

Let's be a force reducing homelessness in the Seattle area. Join the Issaguah Rotary crew on **Saturday, May 7th**, to build tiny homes at The Hope Factory. No experience or tools are needed; they will train willing hearts! The 15 volunteer slots will fill up quickly, so please reach out to Andrew Face now (206-393-8356) to secure your place on the crew.



HELP OUR PRIMARY FUNDRAISER BE A SUCCESS

- Sell tickets...sell tickets...sell tickets.
- Donate or solicit silent auction items.
- Help out on other committee requests.
- Mark your calendar for April 20: set-up begins mid-afternoon and clean-up begins after the event ends at 9:00 p.m.

March Activities

March 1st Pub Night

Ray Giometti, Operations Manager for Fisherman's Terminal, gave a fact-filled and amusing talk on how the Terminal supports fishing and leisure boating customers, complete with handouts of a Walking Tour and dictionary of types of fishing boats.





March 15th Pub Night



The mini service project was assembling activity bags for the kids of Food Bank families.

There has never been a Classification Talk quite like the one Andrew delivered, part of it sung using his own lyrics to the music of The Pina Colada Song—see page 3.



March 8th at the Depot Museum

Cian, our meeting greeter, happily announces his new full-time job at Microsoft, adding "I'm also sad I'll no longer be a kid."





Martin Turney, School District Finance Director, and Anne Moore, Volunteers for Issaquah Schools, discuss the 2022 School Tax Levy coming before voters on April 26.

March 22nd Students of the Month

The awardees for March were:

Issaquah High School
Angela Choi
Mizuki Yamada
Kathleen Henneuse

<u>Liberty High School</u> Ethan Doan Juli Celine Alfonso Malit









5th Tuesday Social at Tutta Bella









The Pino and Vodka Song

You can watch the Rotary band's version here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MeeKqSd2JBk

To sing it yourself, try this Karaoke music: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DZIHqNr6pAU

I was tired of the COVID.
We'd been sequestered too long.
I've had my two shots and booster,
And was feeling quite strong.
While my wife lay there sleepin',
I surfed the old inter-web.
And on our Rotary website,
There was this notice I read:

If you like pinot or vodka,
And gettin' out of the rain.
If you're not into sales tax,
'cuz you have half a brain.
If you like makin' conversation,
In suburban farm-scapes.
Then here's the link to the tickets.
Join us at Grape Escape.

I had to sell a bunch of tickets,
Though I'm still kinda green.
But me and my old contacts
Had fallen into the same COVID routine.
So I emailed my colleagues.
Called the numbers I had.
And though I'm nobody's poet,
My pitch just wasn't half bad.

Music by Rupert Holmes (The Pino Colada Song) Lyrics by Andrew Face

Yes, you like pinot and vodka,
And gettin' out of the rain.
Local restaurants with great food,
Brews but just no champagne.
You've got to join me on "Four-Twenty"
(though there's no weed to vape),
At the Pickering milk barn,
Where we'll share Grape Escape.

So I waited with high hopes,
And we met at the place.
I knew your smiles in an instant,
After all I'm A. Face.
It was my friends and your friends.
And you said, "Oh, it's you."
Then we laughed and we toasted.
And you said, "I guess you knew."

That we like pinot and vodka. And gettin' out of the rain. And the warmth of companions, though there is no champagne. Yes we like making conversation, In this funky farm-scape. Just the thing that we longed for, Issaguah's Grape Escape!