

Rotary Club of the University District, Seattle

Wednesday January 6, 2016



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Meeting Location: Seattle Yacht Club 1807 E Hamlin St, Seattle, WA 98112



When: Every Friday
Lunch: 12:00 - 12:30 pm
Business: 12:30 - 1:00 pm
Speaker: 1:00 - 1:30 pm

VISITORS ARE WELCOME

Future Speakers

Jan 8. 2016

Kemper Freeman Kemper Development Company

Jan 15, 2016

Susanna, retired test pilot from Boeing & Chief Test Pilot for the 777 Program

Jan 22, 2016

Seattle Times J. Neff "Vendetta, Bobby Kennedy VS Jimmy Hoffa"

Links

Club Pictures - added weekly

Club Facebook Page

DACdb

District 5030 Website

District Leadership

New Grants Model Help

District Grant FAQ

Rotary Program University

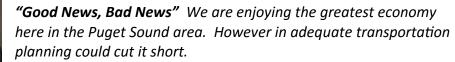
Rotary Downloads

Club Bulletin Deadline

Tuesday at 5:00 pm Ads should be in .jpeg Send material to:

CarmaMcKay@gmail.com

Speaker on Jan 8, 2016 - Kemper Freeman



Kemper Freeman is a third-generation resident of Bellevue, Washington. He is principal owner and hands-on leader of <u>Kemper Development Company</u>, which

has played an important role in Bellevue's growth from the early days of the strawberry fields lining downtown to the economic force the city is today. In all, Kemper has developed a total of four million square feet of Washington State real estate and manages the <u>Bellevue Collection</u>, comprised of the well-known Bellevue Square, Bellevue Place, and Lincoln Square. The *Puget Sound Business Journal* says "it would be hard to overstate Freeman's impact on the Eastside."

Best known as a businessman, Kemper is also a community builder and strong supporter of transportation policies he believes will benefit the City of Bellevue and the Seattle region. In 1972, Kemper went to work for those in Bellevue by serving two terms in the Washington State House of Representatives.

Though he went on to build one of the nation's most successful shopping centers — Bellevue Square — Kemper today focuses an estimated 30 percent of his awake time not on his own buildings, but on community building. In addition to his support for expanding health and education opportunities and the arts, he is a strong promoter of smart, cost-effective transportation growth between Seattle and Bellevue.

The Scholarship Committee

Chair Ed Sider announces that The Scholarship Committee will begin their work with an initial meeting at 11:00 AM, January 15, 2016 at the SYC Heritage Room. We have more funds than ever and hope to be reviewing applicants with stories as remarkable as we have seen in the past. Please mark your calendars, one and all.



Thank You for you Service Above Self at our annual bell ringing for The Salvation Army. Santa appreciated the work of all these fine Elves!

Sabah Al-Haddad Hugh Brannon Terry Cicero Glenn Coates Jerry Coe Raymond Connell Julius Debro Ellen Ferguson Dale Hicklin Fred Hoffer Paula Laschober Judy Lovelace Elizabeth McCoury Bill Metcalf

Aline Napp Joel Napp Lawrence Payne Jessie Perkins Gretchen Pickens Mark Plunkett Rick Reimer Fred Richard Donna Rogers Bud Saxberg Shelby Tarutis Ezra Teshome Dave Weaver Neale Weaver

Leadership/Vision 2016

On **Saturday, January 9**, our Club Board is sponsoring a **leadership/Vision planning meeting**. It will be at the Seattle Yacht Club, 8:30-12:30, in the Heritage Room. All club leaders—past, present and future—are invited and encouraged to attend. Even members who think they will never lead a club activity are invited! **You** can be influential in the future direction of our club.

We have not held a meeting of this type for the past six years. All organizations need to review their plans for the future from time to time, in order to figure out where they can improve, as well as to congratulate themselves on their successes. We need to renew our shared vision, communicate it to all members, and develop steps we can take to make it happen.

Here are some results from the last time we had a Vision planning meeting in early 2010. Would we say the same things today? When asked what our club stands for, the high vote getters were:

- We are regarded as THE service club in the University District.
- In a highly competitive environment we stand for "service above self," not just a comfortable lunch club.
- We have diversity in our club and district.
- We are the incubator for young professionals and managers.

Some aspects of the 2010 Vision were:

Membership: The ideal membership size for the club is 150. At this time, we're at about 120.

Community Service: We have a high profile Rotary project like a Rotary park. We can claim our 75th anniversary project in 2014—We contributed \$50,000 to help fund a playground structure at Brettler Place family housing, which serves 99 formerly homeless families at the former Sand Point Naval Station in northeast Seattle. Brettler Place operates under the auspices of Solid Ground, a community organization that works to end poverty.

<u>Vocational Service</u>: We conduct a 4-Way Test program in grades K-college. We conduct it at the high school level.

<u>International Service</u>: 80% of our membership go on international projects at least once a year. *Not even close!*

The Rotary Foundation: 100% participation, and average member donation \$250-300 annually. We did achieve 100% participation for a couple of years before 2010, but not since. Our club's average donation for 2013-14 was \$326—when one of our members made a special 75th anniversary donation—and the participation rate was 95%. In 2014-15 the average donation was only \$206 and participation dropped to 81%.

It's clear that we have had some successes but have not achieved our 2010 Vision in all areas. Please come on January 9 and help the Board develop our 2020 Vision. What realistic achievements can we strive for? Please let President Paula know if you plan to attend and share your own vision for our club.

Agenda

University Rotary Club Planning and Leadership Workshop Saturday, January 9, 2016 8:30-12:30 Seattle Yacht Club

PURPOSE:

<u>Session 1</u>: Learn how our individual gifts and the gifts of our Club Members make for a satisfying and successful Rotary Experience

<u>Session 2</u>: Reflect on the progress toward the Club's Strategic Plan (2010) and Confirm Strategic Direction for the future.

<u>Session 3</u>: Complete a Check on the 2015 Improvement Work and Set an Action Agenda for the next 6 months.

PROCESS:

<u>Session 1</u> is a time of **Discovery**. You will be introduced to the seven motivational gifts and discover how, as leaders, you can help others utilize their motivational gifts to increase their joy and fulfillment through their participation in Rotary. This session will involve you taking an individual "gifts" test and as a group we'll begin to develop a gifts profile for the University Rotary Club.

Session 2 is a time of **Reflection**. In this session we'll touch on the value of having a Vision and Strategic Plan. We'll tap into the experience in the room to create an updated picture of how far the Club has come toward its vision over the past 6 years. We'll consider course changes as the group confirms the Strategic Direction for the future.

Session 3 is a time of Checking/Planning. The report (September 2015) on Strengths and Opportunities-Preparing our Club to Grow, to Give Value, and to Do Good outlined recommendations for improvement in 5 key areas important to the University Rotarians as evidenced through the 2014 survey. During this session we will, through small group discussion, be capturing the headlines from the past quarter and setting an action agenda for the next year.

PAYOFF:

Renewed energy and excitement among leaders and members of the University Rotary Club toward reaching its vision by making measurable improvements in key areas considered important for the Club to grow, give value and do good!



Urania Pérez Exhibit

You are invited to attend the opening for the art exhibit of our member, Urania Pérez. About 11 acrylic pieces will be exhibited from Jan. 10 to Feb. 28.

The opening is on Sunday, Jan 10th 4:00 to 5:30 pm

at the Eastern Café

510 Maynard Ave S, Seattle, WA 98104 (International District)

Light refreshments will be provided. Wine is available for sale in the cafe.

Please RSVP to Urania Pérez at <u>uraniaperez@mac.com</u> to let her know if you are coming.

University District Rotarians ROCK!!!



















Help Serve Dinner at Ronald McDonald House on April 6th

This is a great hands on service project. And, you're only committing to one evening. Sign up with Rick Reimer, Chair for the next date or contact him if you have any questions. rreimer@windermere.com



University Rotary Members Serve at U District Program

Nine University Rotarians braved the early hour and driving rain on December 21 to prepare and serve breakfast and sack lunches to 37 homeless youth who had spent the night at the ROOTS Young Adult Shelter at University Temple Methodist Church.

Joining organizer Marella Alejandrino and husband Arnold (a prospective UDRC member) were Ed Sider, Jane Wiegenstein, Judy Lovelace, Kay Rodriguez, Linda Harris, President Paula Laschober, Peter Schroeder and Susan Sola.

In addition to the donated meals, many UDRC members purchased \$10 Starbucks cards that were distributed to each of the youths at the breakfast.

Our club has increasingly strong ties to ROOTS, which provides shelter to homeless young adults ages 18 to 25. Several years ago, UDRC donated a kitchen range, still very much in use. The Community Service Committee is currently considering sponsoring a grant request this year.

"This is a great way to increase our hands-on involvement in a U District project, an area of service where we've been looking for more opportunities," said President Paula. "It was a pleasure to serve the young people and to hear many expressions of thanks from them."

ROOTS is the result of a request from the City of Seattle to University Temple in 1999 to open the overnight shelter, the first in Seattle specifically designed to meet the needs of homeless young adults. The shelter is supported by city and federal contracts, supplemented by a number of local foundations, organizations and individual contributions.



2017 Rotary Peace Fellowship

We are excited to announce that the 2017 Rotary Peace Fellowship is now available online! We encourage you to promote the fellowship and have your district endorse qualified applicants who are dedicated to promoting peace.

Please go to our <u>website</u> to review the fellowship details, application process, <u>animation video</u>, and find additional <u>resources</u> for applicants and Rotarians.

Important reminders about the peace fellowship: Districts are **not** responsible for funding applicants. Your district can endorse as many candidates as deemed qualified at no cost. **31 May 2016 District Deadline**

Applicants must submit their application to the district by 31 May to seek endorsement. Districts must interview and submit their endorsement forms to The Rotary Foundation by 1 July 2016. Applicants can choose to apply online or with the PDF application. Both can be located on the website.

Additional resources include:

Rotarian Program Guide to the Rotary Peace Fellowship Rotary Peace Centers Brochure

Rotary Peace Centers Programmatic Webinar (English only): https://vimeo.com/147646382

We thank you for your dedication and support to the Rotary Peace Centers and the Rotary Peace Fellowship. By working together to recruit and select highly qualified candidates for the 2017 Rotary Peace Fellowship, we continue to build peace and work towards conflict prevention and resolution in our world.

Warm regards, Rotary Peace Centers

Editors Note:

I've been having some email challenges, so I apologize if I missed your announcement. Please send it again as I have had to delete most of my emails.

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Approved for Membership

The UDRC Board has approved application of **Tiffany Whitehurst** for membership. Her sponsor is Shelby Tarutis.



Tiffany has a Master of Public Health degree from the University of Texas.

Some of her community activities include: GambiaHELP, Deep Elum Community Garden, Girls Inc., Habitat for Humanity.

Her special interests include global Health, Women's & Girls' Issues. Tiffany is married to Jeremy Whitehurst. Their contact information is 1911 E. Roy St. #7, Seattle, WA 98112 Cell: (210) 318-5987 Email: tiffany.a.whtehurst@gmail.com.

