



# University District Rotary Club Bulletin

Wednesday, August 21, 2019



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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 Programs

### August 30, 2019

No meeting. Labor Day weekend.

### September 6, 2019

Robert Beiser, Seattle  
Against Slavery

### September 13, 2019

Marc Garth Green,  
Deputy Seattle Police  
Chief

### September 20, 2019

Bill McElroy, District  
Governor

## Links

Club Pictures

Club Facebook Page

Club Website

DACdb

District 5030 Website

## Club Bulletin Deadline

Monday at 2:00 pm

Send ads & photos  
in .jpg

Send material to:  
paulalaschober@gmail.com

## Program for August 23

### David Coven Scholarship Junkies



For the past three years, David Coven has been President and Executive Director of Scholarship Junkies.

In the face of rising tuition and student debt, Scholarship Junkies aims to help students tap into the world of scholarships as another means of paying for college. The goal is to remove all financial barriers to higher education!

Mr. Coven leads a team of 23 staff who help thousands of students a year nationwide.

Prior to joining Scholarship Junkies as President, Mr.

Coven held several other positions—including co-founder/CEO of Engineering Expectations, Executive Organizer and Chief Compassion Officer of DubHacks, and Chief Strategist of Laplace Labs. He is both a Brainerd and a Kairos Fellow.

Mr. Coven is a graduate of the University of Washington, where he earned a bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering. While at the UW, he was a Costco Diversity Scholar and also the recipient of an Ackerley Learning to Lead Grant/Scholarship.

**Our Peacebuilder Committee** says, on behalf of FIUTS (Foundation for International Understanding Through Students): host a UW arriving international student in Aug./Sept. for 7-10 days (you set dates you are available) and help welcome them to Seattle, and find their bearings. Couches, air mattresses and spare rooms are all OK! Make a lifelong friend by welcoming a new student." For info see <https://www.fiuts.org/local-hosts> or apply at <https://www.fiuts.org/host-application>. Questions? Call or email Samantha at 206-616-7025, [samantha@fiuts.org](mailto:samantha@fiuts.org).

## Firesides/Potlucks Coming Back!

Invitation to club members: Please offer houses, apartments, patios or back yards to host fellow Rotarians and partners or friends at small group dinners with good conversation. Once again, Marion Klein-Pfeiffer has volunteered to coordinate (marionklein@comcast.net, 425-773-0832).

How it works: Host offers home and date. Marion announces general location and puts out sign-up sheets for the number of guests that can be accommodated. Host provides main dish. Guests bring side dishes. Marion coordinates potluck contributions and lets attendees know exact address and host name just before event.



## Marilee Fuller Takes Over as Secretary from Carma McKay *(by Dave Spicer, President)*



*Carma*

Carma McKay recently resigned as Secretary of our Club to pursue a position as Senior Administrative Director for Rotarian Malaria Partners. This organization was founded in Seattle by Rotarians just over 10 years ago and its Mission is "To ignite an international Rotarian Campaign for the Global Eradication of Malaria." In her new capacity, Carma will be coordinating Copperbelt II fundraising, with a focus on Large Rotary Clubs in the US, as well as Rotary Districts 5020, 5030 and 5080; assist with the Malaria Symposium at the RI Convention in Hawaii; and work closely with the RMP Board members and Ambassadors to accomplish the goals of their strategic plan.

She has been dedicated as our Secretary for over three years now and has done an incredible job. THANK YOU CARMA!! Her involvement in Rotary began in 1988 when she joined University District Rotary. Carma has held many leadership positions within our club (including President 2011-12). She has also been an Assistant Governor, co-chaired Ezra Teshome's District Conference in 2014 and is a Paul Harris Fellow (x8).

Carma also contracts with Rotary District 5030 (since 2014), currently holding the title of District 5030 Administrator. Previously she served as Interim Operations Manager for the Rotary Club of Seattle, was Administrator for the Seattle Rotary Service Foundation and held a short-term contract with Rotarian Malaria Partners.

In 2018, she was recognized by Rotary District 5030 as the Rotarian of the year. Carma will continue to be active with our Club.

Some things you may not know about Carma include building customized bird houses. In fact, back in 2015 at the request of DG John Enger, Carma built 52 bird houses—one for each District Chair in RD 5030 and other key Rotarians. She and her partner Cheryl recently celebrated the college graduation of Cheryl's twins Annie from UW and Ryan from WWU. Carma and Cheryl live in Brier with their two Maltese fur babies Riley and Sophie and their senior cat Tillie. And, of course, her daughter Jessica Perkins is a member of our club.

One final but very interesting tidbit. Carma's family arrived in the Pacific Northwest way back in 1841, trekking over 1,400 miles from the Red River Settlement, which is now Winnipeg, Canada.

Our Rotary Club is extremely fortunate to have new member Marilee Fuller agree to take over as Secretary of our Club. The Board voted to accept her as Secretary effective August 9. Carma will work with Marilee to ensure a smooth transition.

Marilee has exceptional experience as Secretary. In 2000, she joined the Boise Sunrise club (Boise Idaho) where she served as club Secretary and on the International Service Committee. After she moved to Seattle, she joined the Ballard Rotary Club. In that club, she was the President and Secretary and on the International Service Committee. She was also selected to be the Rotary District 5030 Secretary from 2016-2019. Accordingly, we are in very good hands with Marilee as our new Secretary. Thank YOU Marilee for taking this job on!!



*Marilee*

Marilee has had many memorable experiences in Rotary but two favorites involve international Rotary trips to Mexico with Susan Sola. One trip was back in 2013 to see the opening of a community center in a slum area of Yuguelito, all made possible by Rotary funds. Another more recent trip this past June was again to travel with Susan to the State of Oaxaca to see greenhouses being developed that help to conserve water for growing crops.

In addition to being Secretary, Marilee is involved with the Peacebuilding Committee and wants to also be on our International Service Committee.

Interesting other parts of Marilee's journey include that following graduation from Seattle University back in the early 60's, Marilee joined the Peace Corps and served in Turkey in 1964-65 and worked in an orphanage (and she still speaks Turkish). She married and years later was stationed with her former husband and two young children in Iran from 1977-79. She had to leave the country in 1979 with the beginning of the Iranian Revolution.

Marilee is a retired appraiser. She first worked in this field for Boise County in Idaho City, Idaho. She then moved to Boise and worked as a Consulting Appraiser for the Idaho Tax Commission. Finally, she joined the Ada County Assessor's Office as Chief Assessor. Marilee retired in 2006 as Chief Deputy Assessor.

She moved to Seattle in 2011 to be close to her two kids and three grandchildren. She loves to ski with them and have coffee dates almost every week with each grandkid during the school year.

Marilee, welcome to our Rotary Club and THANKS for being our new Secretary!!



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*Thursday, September 5, 2019 to Sunday, September 8, 2019*  
*Denver Marriott Tech Center Hotel, Denver, CO*

GETS and GNATS  
 Sunday Evening September 1<sup>st</sup> to Thursday September 5<sup>th</sup>

SPECIAL SESSIONS  
 Optional for *all* Attendees: Thursday September 5<sup>th</sup>  
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INSTITUTE  
 Thursday Evening September 5<sup>th</sup> to early Brunch Sunday  
 September 8<sup>th</sup>

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**[VicG@Rotary5160](mailto:VicG@Rotary5160)**  
**Please include Name, District and Club**



## Board Approves New Member Application

Jeff Werthan has been proposed for club membership by Dave Spicer.

Jeff retired last year after a 30+ year career as a solo

estate planning attorney in Washington & California.

He received in B.S. in Political Science from the University of California-Los Angeles, and his J.D. from the Law School at the Univ. of West Los Angeles.

Jeff's community activities include volunteering with Northwest Harvest, Rainier Valley Food Bank and Ronald McDonald House (where he met his partner Liz, a Seattle 4 member). He has also been a board member of Washington Women in Need.

His interests and hobbies include politics, history, peace and justice, sports, running, reading, music, working out, hiking and travel.

Jeff lives in the Wedgwood area of Seattle. His cell phone number is 425-802-1028 and his email address is [jmwdog@gmail.com](mailto:jmwdog@gmail.com). He has three adult children living in the Seattle area and a five-year-old granddaughter.

## Upcoming Club Activities and Deadlines

- Aug 24** 9:00-12 noon. Rotary First Harvest work party at Food Lifeline, 815 S. 96th St., Seattle.
- Aug 31** Ushers needed for Husky football (which earns money for our Service Fund). Contact Dale Hicklin ([dalebroker@comcast.net](mailto:dalebroker@comcast.net)) or Bill Metcalf ([bill.metcalf@outlook.com](mailto:bill.metcalf@outlook.com)) for details.
- Sept 5-8** Zone Institute, Rotary Zones 26 and 27, Denver. More info: see ad in this bulletin
- Sept 14** 8:30-11:00 am. Rotary First Harvest Packing Party, Northwest Harvest Warehouse, 22220 68th Ave. S., Kent. Register at [www.firstharvest.org](http://www.firstharvest.org).
- Sept 15** Deadline for District 5030 matching grant applications. Info at [www.5030grants.com](http://www.5030grants.com).
- Sept 28** 9:00-12 noon. Rotary First Harvest work party at Food Lifeline, 815 S. 96th St., Seattle.
- Oct 10** 4:00 pm. Volunteers needed to serve dinner at Ronald McDonald House. Contact Rick Reimer, 206-550-8259 or [rreimer@windermere.com](mailto:rreimer@windermere.com).
- Apr 3-4** District 5030 Conference: Vision 2020-Peace Thru Rotary Action.
- Jun 6-10** Rotary International Conference, Honolulu, Hawaii.



## Rotary Mission The 30<sup>th</sup> HumaniTour Viet Nam October 24 – November 4, 2019



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