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The Gateway

July 15, 2025 Edition



From the desk of new President Diana

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

I'm both humbled and honored to step into this leadership role as your new Rotary President. To say I'm excited would be an understatement! I'm truly grateful for the opportunity to serve

alongside such an inspiring group of people who care deeply about community, service, and making a difference.

I know I have big shoes to fill, and I'm ready to roll up my sleeves, listen, learn, and lead with heart. With your support, I'm confident we can make this year one of growth, connection, and impact.

My vision is simple: Together We Thrive. Every voice matters, every hand helps, and every small act contributes to something greater. Let's lift each other up, build on our traditions, and create new opportunities for service and fellowship.

Thank you for trusting me with this role. I look forward to serving you as we serve others. Let's make it a great year—together!

In Rotary Service,

Diana



Diana Rutherford

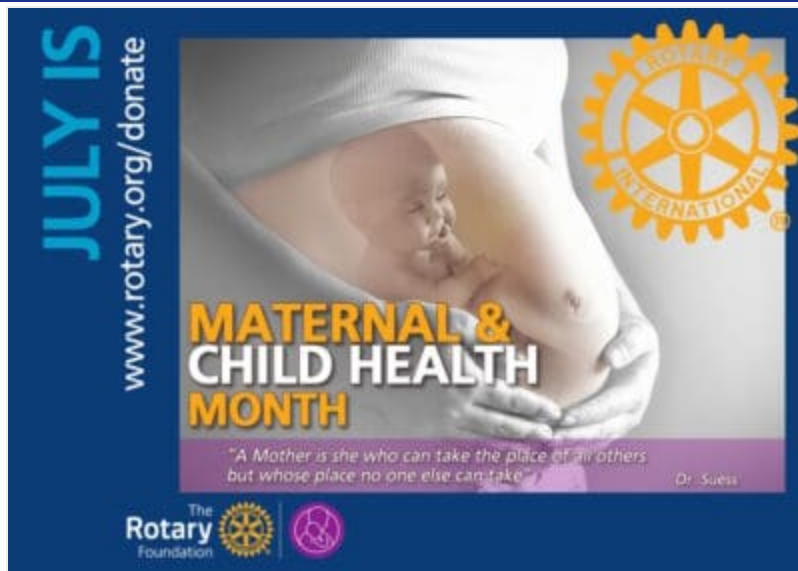
President 2025-2026

Rotary Club of Camas-Washougal



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MEET ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT 2025- 2026 FRANCESCO AREZZO



Francesco Arezzo, a member of the Rotary Club of Ragusa, Italy, was sitting with a friend at his district conference when he received a call, asking him to leave the room and join a Zoom meeting with the Rotary International Board of Directors. A few minutes later, Arezzo learned that he'd been chosen as RI president for 2025-26.

Arezzo has been part of Rotary for more than three decades and has supported initiatives that strengthen RI's impact and expand opportunities for engagement across generations. At the 2025 Rotary Convention in Calgary, he set aside some time with Rotary magazine to [talk about his life, his Rotary journey, and his two other passions: opera and olive oil.](#)

Would you consider becoming a Foundation Benefactor for 2025-26, giving a donation not restricted to a specific project? This is a critical part of our funding. You can write a check to the Rotary Foundation of Camas/Washougal and give it Treasurer Max or mail it to the Foundation at PO Box 716, Camas, WA 98607. Or click here to pay via credit card: [Foundation Benefactor](#).

Members of our Club are very generous, giving over \$8,000 as Benefactors and an additional \$7,000 for specific projects, this Club year. Without this funding, the Foundation would not be able to help so many people in Camas and Washougal and around the world.



DO YOU LOVE PODCASTS? I DO.

The Rotary Voices podcast features in-depth interviews with thought leaders, Rotary news updates, and immersive stories from Rotary magazine. Learn more about Rotary International, and how to participate in Rotary clubs at <https://rotary.org>.

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DUCKY DERBY 2025

THE RACE IS ON!!

**The Race Is On to sell out Ducky Derby Tickets This Year!
There are so many sales opportunities!**

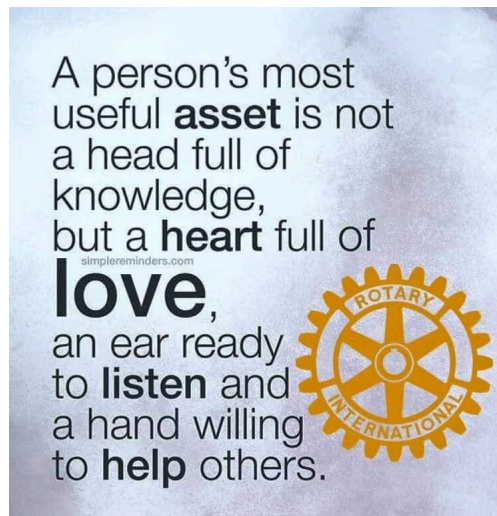
- **Bring your sold stubs and \$\$\$ to Rotary on Thursday**
- **Sell to your friends and neighbors**

- **Help needed for all events at Camas Days and the big Race!!**

Tickets are still \$10 for singles, and \$25 for a packet of 3. (Remember that you cannot separate the packets).

Don't forget about the *Duck Tagging Party on July 19* at Blaine's Ranch!!

JUST A THOUGHT



CW ROTARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY

- July 19 Duck Tagging Party - 3pm at Blaine's home**
- July 23 Box Food/Clark County Food Bank - 2-3:30pm
(Last minute need. Contact Diana)**
- July 25 Rotary Booth at Camas Days - 10am-8pm all shifts**
- July 26 Rotary Booth at Camas Days - 9am- 9pm all shifts
Parade Walkers - 9am - Noon**

July 27 31st Annual Ducky Derby - 10am - 12:30pm at the Washougal River
Transport and Clean Ducks - 2-5pm

July 27 DCA Picnic in Color - 9am - 4pm

Meals on Wheels Support by Rotary Club of Camas Washougal



Since 2006, Meals on Wheels People has been a lifeline for older adults in Clark County. In the past year alone, we've delivered more than 172,000 meals to nearly 1,800 individuals across the county — with the help of over 240 volunteers. But it's never just about the meal. It's about the people who show up, week after week, to prepare, deliver, and share those meals — and the people on the receiving end who say it's the best part of their week.

At every Meals on Wheels People center, no one is just a number on a delivery route or a name on a sign-in sheet. Everyone who walks through the doors — whether to eat, volunteer, prep meals, or check in on a neighbor — becomes part of something bigger. It's not just about what's on the plate. It's about being seen. Being remembered. Being connected. In a world where it's easy to feel invisible, Meals on Wheels People reminds us all that we still belong — and that there's always a seat at the table.

As Rotarians, we can positively impact the life of a fellow
community member.

JOIN US!

***OUR DELIVERY DAY HAS RETURNED TO 10:30AM
WEDNESDAYS AT THE WASHOUGAL COMMUNITY CENTER,
1681 C STREET***

Q3: July - September 2025

Q4: October - December 2025



The Rotary Club of Camas Washougal meets
Thursday mornings at 7:00 am, by zoom and in
person at **Orchard** Hills Golf Club
605 39th Street, Washougal

NOTE THE ZOOM LINK BELOW:

or

[Access Online via Zoom HERE](#)



JULY BIRTHDAYS

Don Dire | July 2

Karen Stavis | July 4

John Relph | July 14

Kirstin Peterson | July 18

Tom Crozier | July 19

Carol Keljo | July 20

Steve Bourque | July 31

**ROTARY CLUB OF CAMAS
WASHOUGAL**

**Upcoming
Programs**

2025-2026 Club Officers

President: *Diana Rutherford*

President Elect 2026-

2027: _____

Treasurer: *Cindy Forslund*

Secretary: *Max Hall*

Sergeant at Arms: *Ron Carlson*

Immediate Past President: *Blaine Peterson*

President - Rotary Foundation of CW:

Blaine Peterson

2025-2026 Board of Directors

Club Service Chair: *Meridee Pabst*

Membership Chairs: *Larry Keister & Dana McGuire*

Community Service Chair:

International Service Chairs: *Scott Berry & Dana McGuire*

Vocational Service Chair (Scholarships):
Ron Carlson

The Rotary Foundation (TRF): *Richard Renton & Jerry Cochran*

Youth Service: *Kathy Bussman*

Peacebuilder Committee: *Molly Coston*

Public Image chair: *George Capacci*

Club Executive Secretary: *Thomas Crozier*

7/17/25 -
**Committee
Reports & Ducky
Derby final
details**

7/24/25 - **No
morning meeting
- Social TBD**

7/31/25 -
**Restored and
Revived**

9/4/25 -
**NorthWest
RiverPartners -
Austin Rohr**



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