



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES



FRIENDS OF ROTARY – NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2023

Welcome to our Friends of Rotary Newsletter. Our objective of this newsletter remains to raise the awareness of what our Battle Ground Rotary Club's (BGRC) programs are each week and what dates and activities our club is organizing.

By providing a forward-looking newsletter, we are hoping to:

- Raise community awareness of what the Battle Ground Rotary Club is focused on.
- Encourage our readers to come to a meeting, meet us and take advantage of the information being provided.
- Encourage our readers to participate in our Community Service projects.

Words from the editor

Welcome friends, as we charge into summer and squeeze every hour out of the extra daylight, I find myself stopping every now and then to admire the beauty of our area. Summer here means being outside and taking in our great local wineries, dining, community events, BBQ's with those we cherish, taking in the Alderbrook cruise in on a Friday night and spending an evening at a Ridgefield Raptor baseball game with family and friends.

There is so much to do and participate in. There is so much variety and opportunity, that's for me it makes me happy to call this home.

I'm not blind to troubles that challenge us. As Rotarians we choose to serve. This summer we'll continue our efforts to clean and beautify Old Town Battle Ground Main Street. In June our members who have been reading with first graders this last school year will be saying goodbye to their kids and looking forward to next school year.

If you are going to attend this year's Harvest Fest in Battle Ground, look for us. We'll be selling pulled pork sandwiches during Friday nights cruise in on Mainstreet.

Friends, be safe and thank you for helping us help others!

June is Rotary Fellowship Month

Rotary Fellowships are international groups that share a common passion. Being part of a fellowship is a fun way to make friends around the world, explore a hobby or profession, and enhance your Rotary experience.

There are literally dozens of fellowship interest groups. For the full list and links to their specific fellowship groups go to this link. [Rotary Fellowship](#)

Non Rotarians can join many of these groups!

Here's an example. <https://www.rotary-wine.org/>



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June – Shine the light – Rise to Shine Education Foundation

Many of you know that Rotary has a heart for children. Five years ago, twenty of our Rotary Districts Clubs join forces to help fund fifty students Tuition and room and board in Kenya. Battle Ground Rotary chose to fund five of the fifty. The Club funds were matched by Rotary International grants to provide opportunities to high potential children whose parents are no longer in the picture or who could not afford providing their children such an opportunity.



Members of our District have a close working relationship with the Rise To Shine Executive Director and have made several trips to the school to ensure the effect use of our funds.

We've highlighted Rise to Shine at our Festival of Wreaths Fundraiser each year as we see this program making a significant difference in the lives of these children and their communities.

The attached link will take you to the Rise to Shine home page <https://www.rtsef.org/>

Tuition is \$250 per student per semester. A little goes so far. If this is something you would like to participate in, please let us know. You don't have to be a Rotarian to participate.

Our June Meetings and topics are posted on our website and on Facebook, typically 2-3 days prior to the meeting.

Hold the Dates.

June 7th Club Social at Elite Collision, Battle Ground

June 8th Clark County Rotary Social 14 Acres Vineyard, Ridgefield 5-7 PM

June 10th Festival of Wreaths and Wine team meeting at Dev's Coffee in Battle Ground at 9 AM

June 17th Main Street Clean up -

June 24th BG Rotary Charter Picnic. At Mike Simpsons

August 12th Fundraiser BBQ for Heidi Lyon

BGRC Club Member Anniversaries

Darren Davidson 2nd

Mike Galeotti 13th – Charter Member*

Sheila Galeotti 13th – Charter Member*

Stacey Johnson 13th - Charter Member *

Amy Price 13th – Charter Member *

Jeff Quade 13th - Charter Member*

Mike Simpson 13th - Charter Member *

Kayla Tiano 13th – Charter Member *



- prior Rotary Club Service, 13 years at this Club

Club Member Birthdays

Michael Ernest June 5th


Ron Scheurer June 10th

Terry Reddish June 13th

Lori White June 15th



Our Tradition is to end each meeting by reciting Rotary's 4 Way Test, so I will end each newsletter with this...



The 4-Way Test
of things we do and say:

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

These are tests that we challenge ourselves to live by as Rotarians. But above that we commit to "Service Above Self", which is Rotary's motto. This is who we are. We invite you to check us out by participating in one of our projects or attending a meeting.

See you soon hopefully!

We meet at:

Galeotti's Wine Cellar
715 East Main Street
Battle Ground, WA 98604

When: Wednesdays from 5:00 to 6:30 PM

Social from 5:00 to 5:30 PM

Meeting starts at 5:30 PM

BGRC Facebook [Link](#)

BGRC Webpage [Link](#)



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