

# Rotary



# Club of Eugene

## Presidents' Message



Now that the cold weather is here we're all preparing by winterizing our homes and getting out our coats and boots. In Oregon, fall and winter mostly means more rain, and we're incredibly lucky to have plentiful precipitation to clean our air and bring snowpack to the mountains. I know some see the weather report and grumble about the rain, but true Oregonians shrug and grab a hooded raincoat as they go about their daily routine. We are truly blessed to live in such a lush green landscape.

For some this cold weather is more challenging. Last week we learned about shelters being established in our community for those less fortunate. Our speakers talked about these folks having possessions they were hesitant to relinquish in case they end up back on the streets. Imagine how difficult it would be to have everything you own minimized to a shopping cart, and then being told you have to give that up in hopes of getting shelter. I'm glad our local government takes that into consideration to reduce their fear and encourage participation in these programs. When asked, our presenters informed us they need clothes, coats, blankets, shoes and socks for their clients. Please consider donating some of these items to one of the local shelters.

Thanksgiving brings an opportunity to express our gratitude for all the gifts life provides, and a chance to spend time with family and friends. Many of you will travel to see your parents, children and grandchildren, or perhaps they'll come to you. However you celebrate, I wish you a safe and happy day!

There is no Rotary without you

Liz

## Meeting at the Graduate Hotel



## November 22nd Meeting: Emergence with Chris Wig

### Club Meeting

Eugene  
Meets at Graduate Eugene (541)  
342-2000  
6th and Pearl 66 East 6th Street  
Eugene, OR 97401  
Time: Tuesday at 12:15 PM

### Events

No Events found

### Club Leaders



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Community Service



Chris Wig is the Executive Director of Emergence, which provides comprehensive treatment services that reduce the incidence and prevalence of addictions by providing integrated mental health, substance abuse, and gambling treatment services that promote the health and quality of life of our community members. He previously served as the Drug Court Coordinator for Emergency. Chris has a Master's degree in Journalism from the University of Oregon and a Bachelor's degree from Ohio State University.

Chris will present the current state of affairs in substance abuse treatment after the passage of Measure 110. With the funds allocated from Measure 110, there is the potential to expand substance abuse treatment, but many questions remain as to whether people will access treatment when it becomes more available. Chris will give us his perspective as the leader of the primary court-annexed substance abuse treatment provider in Lane County.

## Norval Ritchey Passing

Norval Ritchey, long time member (1970-2022) and past president of the Rotary Club of Eugene has passed. He is well remembered as the athletic director for the University of Oregon who oversaw the construction of Autzen Stadium in 1967. He served during a very important period of time (1970-1975) and hired Dick Harter as basketball coach and usher in the Kamikaze Kids era. In addition to his employment with the UO, Norv was active in the Eugene-Springfield community for 6 decades, as a businessman (Lakeridge of Eugene, Truck 'N Travel, Bank of the Northwest, numerous real estate projects), civic leader (United Way, Eugene Airport Commission), and youth sports enthusiast (Babe Ruth baseball, American Legion Baseball). Norv also served in the US Air Force, attaining the rank of Colonel in the Air Force Reserves.

Our family has set the date for my father's celebration of life -Mike Ritchey



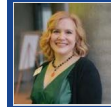
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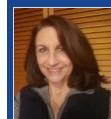
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## Birthdays

Piotrek Buciariski  
November 22nd

Philip Holt Barnhart  
November 26th

Karianne Westlund  
December 5th

Susan Heisey  
December 6th

Lynne Grilley  
December 11th

Mark E. Metzger  
December 17th

Stephen P. Savelich  
December 18th

Otto J Glausi



**Saturday, December 3rd, at 2:00pm**  
First United Methodist Church  
1376 Olive Street, Eugene, OR 97401

December 18th

### Years of Service

Otto J Glausi  
12-14-1971  
51 Years

Ray A. Wiley  
12-06-1977  
45 Years

Robert C. Laney  
11-29-1983  
39 Years

Darryl Lynn Larson  
12-16-1986  
36 Years

Ronald Terry Gietter  
12-16-1986  
36 Years

Heinz J. Selig  
12-08-1987  
35 Years

Arthur A. Mehas  
12-10-1991  
31 Years

Stephen P. Savelich  
12-15-1998  
24 Years

Raquel E. Hecht  
11-27-2000  
22 Years

Jane Eyre McDonald  
12-11-2001  
21 Years

Philip W. Speers  
12-03-2002  
20 Years

Mark D. Forrest  
12-02-2003  
19 Years

Ginevra Ralph  
11-30-2004

## November 18th Club Holiday Season Social Photos



Our social event at Hyatt Place Oakway Center on Friday November 18 was a total success! Photos from the event show how much fun Rotarians had at this second Hyatt Place social get together. Looking forward to the next social event!

Click [Read More](#) below to see all the photos!

[Read More](#)

## December 9th Sound of Music at the Shedd.

Another Club Holiday Social Opportunity!

Obtained 26 tickets for the Sound Of Music at the Shedd on Dec. 9 at 7:30 p.m. Good seats! Tickets are \$33.50 apiece, first come first served. This could make a great holiday gift....and kids and grandkids would love this musical. Let know if you would like a ticket(s)





-Gregg

## December 10th Rotary Foundation Opportunity with Oregon Ballet



### Winner Announced Tuesday November 22nd Meeting!

In honor of Rotary Foundation month I am offering 4 tickets to the Oregon Ballet's performance of The Nutcracker Suite at 2 pm on Saturday December 10th. This beautiful performance at Keller Auditorium in Portland will include a full orchestra and is a treasured

annual tradition for many. I love going to this event and seeing the littles dressed up as they sit in awe of the majestic dancers. These seats are center orchestra where the floor begins to rise so the view will be wonderful, especially for the little ones. Members who donated \$100 to The Rotary Foundation by Friday November 18th were entered into a drawing for the tickets. These tickets are transferable to any Oregon Ballet Theatre performance in the 22-23 season. There will be an email with more details soon. – Liz Ness, President, Rotary Club of Eugene

Thank you President Liz for this very generous raffle prize supporting The Rotary Foundation.

## Wednesday, December 21st - Food for Lane County



Food for Lane County service **Wednesday December 21st** from 6-8:30 pm at the 770 Bailey Hill Road site. Jennifer Geller is the contact person for this service event so please contact her at [jennifergeller65@gmail.com](mailto:jennifergeller65@gmail.com) if you would like to participate.

## Community Service

The Rotary Community Service Committee is working hard to provide a variety of regular opportunities for Rotarians (and our family members) to live our value of **Service Over Self**. Stay Tuned for new projects coming in 2023. It will be a great year of service for the Rotary Club of Eugene.

18 Years  
Ward Beck Jr.  
12-14-2010  
12 Years  
Todd Anderson  
12-10-2013  
9 Years  
Richard Ralston  
12-08-2015  
7 Years  
Constance Fehlman  
11-29-2016  
6 Years  
Marshall L Wilde  
11-21-2017  
5 Years  
Jim Howard  
11-21-2017  
5 Years

And of course, we are continuing to do our monthly service at Food for Lane County on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:00 pm. If you are able to volunteer at FFLC, please email Jennifer Geller at [jennifergeller65@gmail.com](mailto:jennifergeller65@gmail.com)

If you have any questions or ideas for future service projects, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Community Service Committee is combining regular meetings in November and December to accommodate what is shaping up to be a very busy holiday season for members and will hold the last meeting of 2022 on November 30th.

Karen Gaffney  
**Community Service Chair**  
karengaffney@comcast.net

Photos from Service Projects click read more below

[Read More](#)

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## Upcoming Meeting Programs

November 29th Meeting: Year Round Sports Facility with Kari Westlund  
December 6th Meeting: Relief Nursery with Kelly Sutherland  
December 13th Meeting: Technology Association of Oregon with Sally Bell  
December 20th -No Meeting  
December 27th -No Meeting

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## Committee Meetings

**Community Service November and December meetings are now combined at Boy Scouts Center, MLK Blvd, November 30th at 4pm**

**Environmental Committee Meeting**, Thursday Dec 1st from 12:00 PM - 1:00pm via the Club Zoom.

**Program Committee Meeting**, Wednesday, December 14th, 8am, at Brailes, Willamette at 17th.

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## Only a Harmonica at Carnegie Hall Video



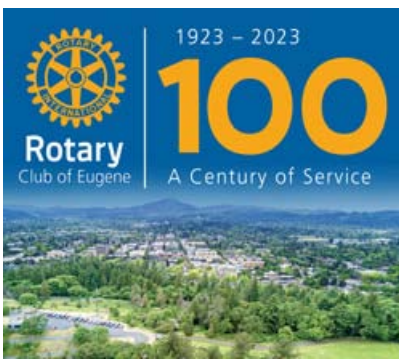
### **ONLY A HARMONICA**

Concert Harmonica at Carnegie Hall is just wonderful. Watch, listen and enjoy. From Admiral Tom and his Shipmates.

<https://vimeo.com/772905819>

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## Eugene Rotary 100 Year Celebration



Next fiscal year our Club will celebrate our 100th birthday with an assortment of activities and events including a big evening near the anniversary date of Wednesday March 15, 2023. All are welcome to participate in the planning of this event. If you're interested please contact co-chairs Rick Olson or Tom Gilmour.

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## Rotary Club of Eugene



Rotary is an organization of business and professional leaders united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

**Eugene Rotary Celebrating 100 Years  
March 2023!**

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## Zoom -Full Link

Automatic link: Click to link. If using the link, no password is required.

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