

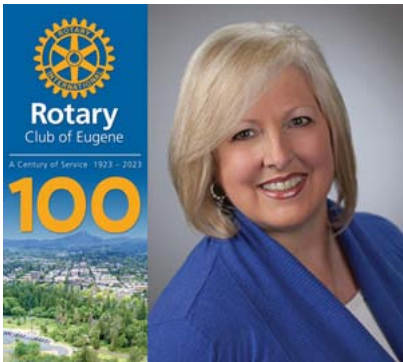
Rotary



Club of Eugene

Presidents' Message

By Elizabeth A. Ness



There's nothing more satisfying than working with children or young adults to help them achieve their potential. We're lucky in Rotary to have multiple opportunities for youth service through Interact, Youth Exchange, and Rotaract. They don't ask a lot of us, but when they do we owe it to them to respond.

As you know, this coming Saturday we've scheduled the Skinner Butte cleanup. But the night before starting at 6 pm we'll be at Gerlinger Hall at UofO for Trivia Night with Rotaract. This is their only fundraiser of the

year, and it's great fun. We'll work as teams so don't worry if your trivia skills are limited to certain areas - someone else will have different knowledge to balance things out. Look for details below for this important and fun event. If you're going to the Gordon Speakeasy you can come by afterwards. I hope to see you all there Friday night!

It's also time for our District Conference here at The Graduate in Eugene Friday and Saturday May 5 and 6. There is a cost for meals. Registration is open on Dacdb at <https://registrations.dacdb.com/Register/index.cfm?EventID=77657773&NoCaptcha>

And don't forget to wear your baseball jersey to our lunch meeting this Tuesday. The Eugene Emeralds will be our topic so let's show our support!

Liz

There is no Rotary without you

April 25 Meeting - EMS Stadium!

With Alan Benavides, General Manager of the Eugene Emeralds.

Founded 68 years ago in 1955 as a charter member of the Northwest League, the Emeralds were named in a contest, won by Bowen Blair. Flash forward to 1969, the Emeralds were promoted to AAA status. 1969 brought the Emeralds to the Civic Stadium with a 6800 seat facility. Where will they go next? Fast forward to

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

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2023... Alan Benavides will tell you! At the meeting this Tuesday!

Rotary Social Evening: April 28th



UO Rotaract Trivia Night!

Rotaract Trivia Night will be **April 28th from 6-8pm** in the Gerlinger Hall Alumni Lounge on the UO campus! We will be benefitting Free Iran PDX in support of women and children struggling for rights in Iran and would love to have you all there! We are asking for a \$15 suggested donation from community members and in the next couple weeks we will send out more information on how to donate directly to their cause!

Back to the Butte on Saturday April 29th!!

Full service for the Butte Saturday April 29th 8AM to NOON!

The improvement and maintenance of Skinner Butte has been our signature project the last few decades, and is a great source of pride for us. Generations of Rotarians have worked on this park which is the center piece of our community and the location of a plaque honoring that work.

Jerry Harris, Susan Heisey, and I met with the volunteer coordinator from the City of Eugene to discuss this year's Skinner Butte cleanup. This will be the first time in three years we've been able to get up there and do everything needed due to Covid. A lot of painting is needed, and there are flower beds to clean up and replant, bark to spread, and general maintenance to do. We're hoping to get a good



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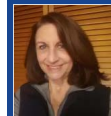
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Birthdays

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April 23rd

Brian Fox
April 25th

Robert Scott Impehoven
May 5th

Diana Rae Bray
May 6th

Brent Allyn Johnson
May 8th

Jay Silverman



turnout of volunteers to bring this park up to standards.

We're talking with the City about adding a plaque to commemorate our 100 year anniversary so we all have an interest in

preparing the park for the installation ceremony. **Even if you are only available for an hour, please join us at the top of Skinner Butte between 8 am and noon on Saturday April 29th.** We'll have tools and resources available so bring a pair of gloves and your friends and family, and let's work together to make this great park everything it can be.

President Liz

Watch and share the Video showing the history of Skinner Butte Park redemption, renovation and on-going service by the Rotary Club of Eugene.

<https://vimeo.com/818580653>



Membership Event May 22nd

By Andy Vobora

The club has added dynamic and fun new members over the past year and it's up to all of us to keep this momentum going. The membership committee is hosting our final recruiting event of the year and while "recruiting event" sounds a little boring, this event will be anything but boring!

Hosted by membership committee co-chair Ken Brown at the Rexus office on Bailey Hill Road, the event will include food from Hole in the Wall

May 18th

Years of Service

Susan Sygall
05-11-2000
23 Years

Dennis J. Biggerstaff
05-10-2011
12 Years

John Clifford Gregor
05-13-2013
10 Years

Philip Holt Barnhart
05-17-2016
7 Years

Robert E Nickel
04-25-2017
6 Years

Brian Fox
05-03-2021
2 Years

Jacob Hamalian
05-19-2022
1 Year



BBQ, beer and wine, and a raffle to support our future membership activities. We'll hear updates on projects funded through recent charitable

fund grants and learn about fun ways to serve by viewing video reels of past projects.

Your role is to bring someone who wants to learn more about Rotary. We want to add 32 new members in coming year, which will bring us back to 150 members strong. It's possible if we all invite prospective members to lunch or to awesome club events like this one!

Bring a prospective member and we'll double your raffle tickets! Buy one - Get one and increase your chances of taking home a prize.

Food for Lane County Service May 18th

By Jennifer Geller



Food for Lane County **Wednesday May 18th** 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 if you would like to participate.



Food For Lane County is a very long time on-going service by Eugene Rotary. It's become such a tradition. Every member needs to spend just a little time to help those in need of simple food in our community. So many companies and individuals give food to FFLC. The Rotary Club comes in for only two and a half hours per month to help sort, package and get food ready for distribution. Humbling work to realize how many people are in need of this food. And how nurturing to the soul this service is.

Thank You! from our Housing Team



Please continue to keep in mind the potential need for temporary housing, as we don't always have much advance notice when people arrive. Owners of AirBnB's who may have a vacancy or people in private homes with spare rooms can contact us to join an "Urgency List." Ideas for other creative housing for short-term arrangements are welcome!



The Material Donations Team keeps a list of items needed by individuals and families we serve. If you can donate any of these items, please send an email to Jane Kitterman-Collins jkittermancollins72@gmail.com. Thank you!

Washer and dryer
Gently used pans and pots
Pressure cookers, preferably new
Vacuum
Cutting knives



And we're always interested to hear about **long-term rentals!** Contact Judy Volem at jtvolem@efn.org for more information and if you can help with housing.

Eugene Rotary 100 Year Service Video



First video showing 100 years of service. View just the service in this shorter video. The longer 100th Gala Celebration movie is still in progress. Show this video to anyone wanting more information on the long history of service by the Rotary Club of Eugene.

Click link to view and share.

<https://vimeo.com/819327243>

Program Schedule for May 2023

By Robert L. Hart

Program Committee has put together some splendid meeting programs for May. For 100 years, the meeting programs of the club have been interesting, engaging and the best in town.

May 2023 Eugene Rotary Program Schedule

Stay Tuned!

Committee Meetings

May 4th at Noon, the Environmental Committee is meeting via the club zoom account.

May 10th at 8am, the Program Committee at Brailles, Willamette at 17th

May 24th at 4pm, the Community Service Meeting at Boy Scouts Center, MLK Blvd.

2023-2024 District Grants

By Karen Gaffney

2023-2024 Selections for the District Grant will be announced soon.

Rotary Youth Exchange



Rotary Youth Exchange Program in Eugene

Sadly the committee members for the Rotary International Youth Exchange Program were unable to find three families willing to help host a Rotary Exchange Student for the academic year 2023-24. Even though our club had agreed to sponsor a student last fall, we let the main Oregon Rotary International Youth Exchange Members know that we could not meet our

commitment. Fortunately, another Eugene Rotary Club has agreed to sponsor the incoming student.

Three Eugene Rotary Clubs will be sponsoring 3 international students and the students will attend South Eugene High School. We hope to include these students at some of our gatherings and meetings to give our members opportunities to speak and enjoy the insights of international youth as they become familiar with this city, state and country.

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

**Regular in-person meeting at the Graduate Hotel or on Zoom
- link below**



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

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83908618864?pwd=Ly85Skc3NXhoVTZGOTZjeGpCWGI2dz09>

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