

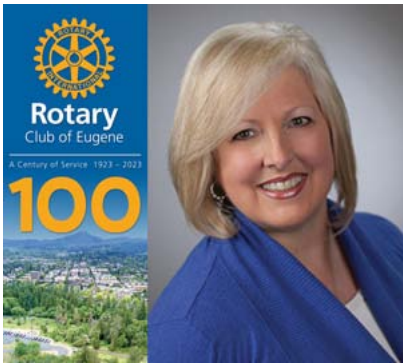
Rotary



Club of Eugene

Presidents' Message

By Elizabeth A. Ness



According to The State of Oregon the COVID-19 health emergency is over! It's been a long three years with devastating consequences for those who've suffered from this virus and the loved ones who lost people. But we're still here, and can take pride in knowing that our club worked hard to contain this disease and protect our community.

Getting back to normal has been tough, especially for those who have ongoing health issues and have had to remain vigilant in public. But we are seeing club members who we've

missed returning to lunch meetings and volunteering at projects. It's great to get our numbers back up on Tuesdays because our meetings are a lot more fun with everyone there. Please encourage other members to join us at The Graduate when they can.

This week we'll have our first heat wave as grass pollen, my personal nemesis, rears its ugly head once more. Schools are closing in on year end goals and high school students are preparing for prom. My favorite part of spring is the flowers and trees blooming as they awaken from their winter slumber and beautify our world. I hope you're all safe and healthy and can revel in Oregon's natural blessings.

Liz

There is no Rotary without you

May 16th Meeting - Eugene Ballet - The Little Mermaid

"The Little Mermaid"

The World Premiere May 20th and 21st of The Little Mermaid with Artistic Director Toni Pimble and Brian McWhorter, Music Director for Orchestra Next and the Eugene Ballet Company

This sophisticated retelling of [*The Little Mermaid*](#) is sure to delight audiences of

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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all ages.

Toni Pimble's newest ballet brings the classical fairytale by Hans Christian Andersen to life featuring music by Claude Debussy played live by **Orchestra Next**. Journey to the bottom of the sea with sparkling costumes and headpieces, larger-than-life sea creatures and coral, hand-painted silk transformed into magnificent waves, and a kelp forest!

Enjoy two delightful videos from the Eugene Ballet for The Little Mermaid. Click links below to view these short dynamic glimpses into Eugene Ballet world premiere.



<https://vimeo.com/eugeneballet/thelittlemermaidpreview>
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Membership Event May 22nd

By Andy Vobora

The club has added dynamic and fun new



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 Chair



Philip Holt Barnhart
 Club Director



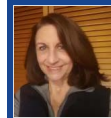
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Birthdays

- Jay Silverman
May 18th
- Victoria Whitman Harris
May 25th
- Tiffany Marie Palaniuk
May 28th
- Lauren Regnani
May 28th
- Gregg A. Fuller
May 31st



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 Rexius office on Bailey Hill Road, the event will include food from Hole in the Wall 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!

Food for Lane County Service May 17th

By Jennifer Geller



Food for Lane County **Wednesday May 17th** 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.

- Jacob Hamalian
June 2nd
- Richard Shugar
June 2nd
- Susan Sygall
June 4th
- Monica Wilton
June 5th
- Gerald S. Moshofsky
June 6th
- Todd Anderson
June 7th
- Jeff Parker
June 8th

Years of Service

- Gerald S. Moshofsky
06-08-1965
58 Years
- Candice Barr
06-07-1988
35 Years
- Jay Silverman
06-07-2006
17 Years
- James R. Hanks
06-09-2009
14 Years
- Jennifer Geller
05-29-2012
11 Years
- Jeff Parker
05-29-2012
11 Years
- John Clifford Gregor
05-13-2013
10 Years
- Philip Holt Barnhart
05-17-2016
7 Years
- Piotrek Buciariski
06-09-2018
5 Years
- Richard A Barnhart
06-09-2018
5 Years
- Larry Banks
06-09-2018
5 Years
- Jacob Hamalian
05-19-2022
1 Year

Community Service May 22nd and June 7th

By Karen Gaffney

Rotarians! We are asking for your help with the final two community service activities of the program year:

BookFest (sorting and preparing books at the warehouse) Monday, May 22 from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm

North Eugene High School Day of Caring (supporting high school students doing service projects at elementary schools) Wednesday, June 7 from 8:45 am to 1:00 pm

If you are able to help with one or both of these, please do! And, remember this service opportunity is for Rotary members, family, and friends! We're using SignUp to organize our community service activities, with positive feedback from earlier events.

For additional information and to sign up for this club service - click **Read More** below

Karen (and your Community Service Committee)

[Read More](#)

Sustainability Bold Steps Award



Bold Steps Award to Rotary Club of Eugene Member, Mark Forrest, CEO of Forrest Paints.

Mark Forrest, CEO describes the pivotal role sustainability plays in our strategic business decisions in Open For Business, a digital publication of the [Eugene Area Chamber of Commerce](#). Thank you again to our hometown of the [City of Eugene](#) and Mayor [Lucy Vinis](#) for recognizing our efforts.

Read on for excerpts from Mark's interview:

[Read More](#)

HIV Alliance Receives Grant



Last Meeting the Local HIV Alliance was very grateful to receive a grant from Rotary Club of Eugene Charitable Fund.

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.

Skinner Butte Service Day More Photos



More Photos of the club's signature long time project.

Click read more for the photos.

[Read More](#)

Eugene Rotary 100 Year Service Video

First video showing the service over 100 years 1923-2023. Just the service for this video. The 100th Gala Celebration movie is 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 the following meeting programs for May. For 100 years, the meeting programs of the club have been interesting, engaging and the best in town.

May 23-Willamette Riverkeepers, Michelle Emmons- Upper Watershed Program Manager. Intro- Stacey Ray

May 30- LTD Plans, Jameson Auten, Executive Director, LTD. Intro- Noreen Dunnells

Committee Meetings

May 24th at 4pm, the **Community Service** Meeting at Boy Scouts Center, MLK Blvd.
June 1st at Noon, the **Environmental Committee** is meeting via the club zoom account.
June 14th at 8am, the **Program Committee** at Brailles, Willamette at 17th

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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