

## **Presidents' Message**

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### Ciao babv!

Welp – It's like the last episode of the season for Doctor Who: By the end of the meeting this Tuesday there will be a new Doctor. Bon chance Doctor Nathan! and his newly constituted board that includes: Ron Gietter, Club Secretary; Club Treasurer Todd Anderson; our new directors, Dr. Dick Barnhart, Susan Heisey, and Jesse Quinn; our continuing board members Noreen Dunnells, Bonnie Bailey and Ken Brown; and yours truly Jerry Whitman Harris in his new position as Immediate Past President (so much for saying ciao,

amirite?). This Board will do a great job. Let's also acknowledge and thank the Directors rotating off the Board: They are Doug James, Scott Impecoven and Gregg Fuller. Thanks also to former immediate past president Liz Ness, who leaves the board to join our group of past presidents.

I said my piece last week so this week you get to say yoursâ€l.kinda. l've skimmed the internets for some good last words for leaving the presidency – a few are listed below and you get to select which one you think l'd say or should say. See you Tuesday!

"Hang on lads – l've got a great ide….uhhhh.â€ "After all, tomorrow is another dayâ€ "So, long and thanks for all the fish.â€ "Drink up me hearties! Yo ho! "Be well, do good work, and keep in touch.â€ "l do wish I could chat longer but l'm having an old friend for dinnerâ€ "That'll do pig. That'll do.â€ "So long partner.â€ "Some cause happiness wherever they go; others whenever they goâ€ "You have been, and shall always be, my friend[s].â€ And of course: "Don't let the door hit you in the \*\*\* on the way outâ€

# July 2nd - We are back at the Graduate!

## July 2 Meeting: Henry O'Keeffe



Henry T. O'Keeffe is the Vice-President of Health Care Policy at the Pac/West Lobby Group. Henry also serves as the Pac/West Lobby Group's General Counsel, and operates a solo practitioner law firm, HOK Law, LLC. Before starting work at the Pac/West Lobby Group, and opening HOK Law, Henry served as General Counsel to Greater Oregon Behavioral Health, Inc. for nearly eight years. That nonprofit organization functioned as a Coordinated Care Organization co-owner, behavioral health Medicaid administrator, licensed child-placing agency, and Non-Emergent Medical Transportation brokerage. They also partnered with governmental officials at all levels. Corporate Practice of Medicine laws, established in the early 20<sup>th</sup> Century, mandate that physicians must be in charge of

clinics. These laws are present in most states across the nation, reflecting a long-standing bipartisan agreement that doctors should lead healthcare. However, in recent years, corporationsâ€"including insurance companies, private equity investors, and retailersâe "have begun investing heavily in primary care. Over the past decade, such investments have skyrocketed by 106.500%. from \$15 million annually to \$16 billion.

This transformation is occurring rapidly, and opponents argue that it is driven not by policy changes but by the exploitation of legal loopholes. Corporations are leveraging poorly regulated areas to maximize profits. Tactics include reducing or eliminating services for Medicaid patients, increasing doctors' patient loads, performing unnecessary procedures, shutting down underperforming clinics, and cutting staff or lowering staffing ratios. This significant shift in healthcare delivery is happening right now in communities like Eugene.

## Club Meeting

## Eugene leets at Graduate Eugene (541)

342-2000 66 East 6th Street Eugene, OR 97401 Time: Tuesday at 12:00 PM

### Events

No Events found

### **Club Leaders**





## Ronald Terry Gietter Secretary

Erik Peter Gribskov Club Admin Chair Club Executive

Secretary Todd Anderson

Treasurer

Ken Brown Club Director Membership Chair



**Committee Member** 

Jav Silverman Rotary Foundation Chair

Ravitei Singh Khalsa Public Image/Relations Chair

Robert E Nickel International Service Chair



Community Service



Bonnie J Bailey Club Director Youth Services Chair

#### **Community Service: Everyone Village Donations**





EVERYONE You have done an awesome job filling Jesse's wagon this past

We have closed our donation drive for Everyone Village but that doesn't mean the need has been met. If you find yourselves in a position to donate anytime throughout the year please consider doing so.

Mike Grudzien will continue to deliver your cans and bottles to the Village until further notice. You can contact Jesse or Jerry jessequinn.a@gmail.com or gwharris@comcast.net) to find out how to drop off items yourself. If you have a truckload,

In general, the following items, either new or gently used, are almost always needed:

Fire Extinguishers (smaller size)

Twin bedding (sheets, pillowcases)

Pillows and blankets

Seasonal clothing (men's clothing is especially needed)

Laundry soap & fabric softener

Empty bottles and cans for return deposits

\*\*\*Please note: Everyone Village currently has an abundance of socks, so no socks are needed at this time.

Your contributions help the residents of Everyone Village feel more comfortable and supported as they transition to more stable living situations. Together, we are making a difference and helping Everyone Village thrive!

Thank you for your generosity and commitment to service.

Jesse Quinn, Community Service Co-Chair

#### July 17th: Food for Lane County Service



Food for Lane County, 770 Bailey Hill Road, Eugene, OR 97402

#### Wednesday July 17th from 6-8:30 pm

Food for Lane County was canceled the past two months. June was because of the federal high holiday called Juneteenth and May was canceled because of a threat to the safety of the employees of FFLC. The next opportunity for us to volunteer at Food for Lane County is on July 17th. We would really like to make a strong showing on that date. Help us do that by joining us at 6:00 PM on Wednesday July 17th, 2024 at Food for Lane County. Friends, family, children 10+years old and older (supervised by an adult), all welcome !!

We always have a lot of fun and time goes by quickly as we portion and sort food. Often we go out for snacks and libations afterward. It's a wonderful way to give back and appreciate how fortunate we are to be able to spend time together.

Contact Victoria Whitman at wwhitman@hearthstonere.com or 541-954-7171 or Chris Binstadt at 415-519-7036 or <u>binstadt@gmail.com</u> if you would like to participate, so we can let FFLC know how many volunteers they can count on. We have committed to at least 6 volunteers a month. The more people who come, the more fun we have!

Raquel E. Hecht Youth Exchange Past President Tom Gilmour Rotaract Rotary Advisor



Noreen Dunnells Club Director Club Programs Chair



<u>Victoria Whitman Harris</u> Club Service FFLC Lead



Club Director Vocational Service

Gregg A. Fuller

**Club Director** 



Robert Scott <u>Impecoven</u> Club Director Community Service



Richard K Olson CCO-Club Communications. Past District Governor



iPast President

### Birthdays

Lynne Grilley December 11th Stephen P. Savelich December 18th Otto J Glausi December 18th Lourdes Sanchez December 19th Serena L Kelly December 19th Elizabeth A. Ness December 22nd Ravitej Singh Khalsa December 28th Jennifer Olson December 29th Tina Stupasky January 1st James Ralph January 3rd **Richard Ralston** January 4th Erik Jorgensen January 6th

#### Years of Service

Otto J Glausi 12-14-1971 52 Years

Maxine Proskurowski Interact Rotary Adviser

## **Rotary Ems Baseball/BBQ/Fireworks/PK Park**



It is almost here! Take me out to the ballgame on **July 4<sup>th</sup>**!

You've RSVP'd your tickets through Diana, now let's get ready to root root root for the Emeralds with your Rotary team. I learned that this club event has been going on annually for 22 years. Let's make the last couple of years before the Emeralds leave good ones! **If you don't have your tickets yet**, **please contact Jerry at gwharris@comcast.net**. We will get your tickets to you before the event. Event details are below:

When: July 4th Where: PK Park, 2800 MKL Blvd. Gates Open: 5:35 pm Food Service: 6:30 to 8:00 pm Game Start 6:35pm

RSVPs ended on June 19th.

Darryl Lynn Larson 12-16-1986 37 Years

Ronald Terry Gietter 12-16-1986 37 Years David A. Frosaker 12-22-1992 31 Years Stephen P. Savelich 12-15-1998 25 Years Jane Eyre McDonald 12-11-2001 22 Years Ward Beck Jr. 12-14-2010 13 Years Solomon Harris 01-08-2013 11 Years Todd Anderson 12-10-2013 10 Years

## **Upcoming Meeting Programs**

The Eugene Rotary Club is known locally as the Rotary Club with the best programs. Here $\hat{a} \in \mathbb{M}^{m}$ s what members can look forward to during the next month:

July 2 - Changing of Guard/Corporatization of Medicine, Henry O'Keefe and Rep. Ben Bowman, Introduction - Nathan Philips

July 9 - Eugene Rotary Scholarship Foundation Scholarship Awards, Scott Palmer, Introduction - Nathan Philips

July 16 - Hosea Youth Services, Brad Bills, Introduction - Andy Vobora NOTE: Not at The Graduate. Location TBA

July 23 - The Consultancy Project - Eve Gray, Introduction - Noreen Dunnells

# **Next Committee Meetings**

Program Committee: Wednesday July 3 at 8am, in person at Brail's on WillametteCommunity Service: Wednesday July 24th at 4pm, at Eugene Chamber of Commerce (4th Wednesday) Environmental Committee: TBD due to July 4 holiday, via ZOOM (normally first Thursday) International Service Committee: Tuesday, July 16th at 10:30 am, via ZOOM (third Tuesdays) Use this Zoom link for all Zoom committee meetings listed above: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89573176120?pwd=clRxd3RvNGhOM2UzUnlCUIZNbnUydz09

## **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 this week or on Zoom - link below**



Automatic link: Click to link. If using the link, no password is required. <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83908618864?</u> <u>pwd=Ly855kc3NXhoVTZGQTZjeGpCWGl2dz09</u> Meeting ID: 839 0861 8864 Passcode: 695590 One tap mobile <u>+16699009128,,83908618864#,,,,\*695590#</u> US (San Jose) <u>+12532158782,,83908618864#,,,,\*695590#</u> US (Tacoma)