



This week's Rotary speaker

Speakers

September 11, 2024

Mike Columbus

Mike's Rides for Life

September 18, 2024

Joe Crain

Expansion Plans for St Vincent DePaul in Bremerton.

September 25, 2024

Mayor Greg Wheeler

Update on what's happening in the City of Bremerton.

Birthdays

Jill M. Wallen

September 15th

Joseph C Stevick

September 16th

Jay A. Lovato

October 4th

Tina Robinson

October 5th

Wedding

Anniversaries

Jonathan P. Buesch

September 15th

Douglas D. Fairbanks

September 21st

Years of Service

Sue Ann Shipley

09-14-2005

19 Years

Daniel Morse

09-11-2023

1 Year



Last week we heard from Jon Buesch, offering a 're-classification talk' to get to know a member who's been in the club awhile. Here's a quick quiz to be sure you were paying attention...

Multiple choice: Which product has Jon NOT sold during his business career...

- A. Air fresheners
- B. Show shovels in California
- C. Women's underwear
- D. Wood chips

Number guess: How many years did Jon last at Central Washington U?

True or false: Jon has more than 20 cars stacked up in his garage.

Essay question: How did spending his evenings launching Air Force planes guide the rest of Jon's career?

This week, we'll have another fellow member up front, as Mike Columbus talks about the charitable program he runs calls Mike's Rides for Life.

Answers: D (he gives those away for free); one; false -- but it's close; and you'll have to ask him if you weren't paying attention...

Rotary announcements





Welcome Courtney Finley

Last Wednesday we inducted new blue-badge member Courtney Finley, who is part of the Floor & Decor team which recently opened up just north in the Bremerton Station plaza along Wheaton Way. Please introduce yourself when you see her and help make EBR a welcoming place and get Courtney involved.

Walk in the Park with EBR

Our club is holding an informal fellowship opportunity on Oct. 12, with a guided walk through Illahee Preserve led by our preservation committee. Come get a look at the work that gets done through hours of volunteer work by EBR members.

Special Olympics looking for volunteers

The Special Olympics has reached out to East Bremerton Rotary to ask for volunteers to join an event at All Star Lanes in Silverdale on Sunday, Sept. 22. Shifts are available from 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and coaching experience is not necessary. Volunteers are needed in support roles.

To register, visit our webpage <https://>

specialolympicswashington.org/event-volunteers/ for instructions on registering on our new portal. You can see the various roles and shifts by clicking on the link next to the Silverdale event but you must return to the portal's link (<https://portals.specialolympics.org>) to first create an account and then register for your desired shift. Group members over the age of 14 are encouraged to register as individuals " youth ages 11-13 must have an adult register first as a Group Lead, create a group, and then add the youth to their account. More detailed information and user guides are available on our webpage.

Illahée Preserve fall work party: One down, one to go

Our forest leadership team's next project with WYC is coming up Friday, Sept. 20, if you can check your calendars now. Start time 9 a.m., see Vic Ulsh or Jon Buesch for more details.

If you have an item to include with the Rotary announcements, please email David Nelson at heynels@gmail.com.

Who's happy?





From the Sept. 4 meeting...

John Armstrong was happy that Jon Buesch gave the best classification talk ever... **Mike Columbus**, above, because the blackberry pies sold out before his shift... **Vic Ulsh**, for Mike's upcoming talk on Mike's Rides... **Ali Cross**, because her daughter had her first day of school... **Sonny Loidhammer**, happy to pass the mic to others... **Tom Brobst**, for his 33rd anniversary... **President Andy**, for Courtney joining the club... **David Emmons**, for the Blackberry Festival... **Bill Wright**, for all of President Andy's hard work at the Blackberry Festival... **Patty Murphy** was happy to have a fundraiser at a community event rather than an auction...



Lance Walters, happy to be back after successful knee surgery... **Howard Julien**, because Courtney was 'inducted' instead of 'indicted'... Jay Lovato, for Courtney joining us, and the Blackberry Fest crew... **Jim Aho**, for Illahee Preserve Foundation closing on two new pieces of property... Alijah Hawley, sad because his mother-in-law passed away but happy she is in a better place... **Doug O'Donnell**, a complaint because Blackberry Fest is the same weekend as the Ellensburg Rodeo...





David Emmons was the lucky winner and had the winnings go toward his Paul Harris Award.