

# Rotary



# Club of Olympia

## Next Club Meeting Date: Oct. 24, 2022

By Dan Lehuta



Our speaker will be Olympia Police Chief Rich Allen. Rich will provide an update on the Olympia Police Dept.

**NOTICE - We are now meeting regularly at the River's Edge restaurant at the Tumwater Valley Golf Course. [Map It!](#) Click [HERE](#) to download the current River's Edge lunch menu.**

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## Meeting of 10-17-2022 Sam Gibbony, Port Exec Dir

By Robert Heck on Wednesday, October 19, 2022



Port of Olympia's Centennial – Sam Gibbony, Executive Director  
**Rotary Club of Olympia**  
**The Wheel**

**Date:** 10/17/2022

**Today's Program:** Port of Olympia's Centennial – Sam Gibbony, Executive Director

**Meeting Called to order:** President Sarah @ 12:30 pm

**Invocation by:** N/A

**Pledge of Allegiance led by:** Bret Anderson

**Song:** N/A

**Four Way Test led by:** Jay Burney

**Visiting Rotarians:**

N/A

**Guest of Rotarians:**

Amanda, guest of Laurie Maricle

**Announcements:**

**Salvation Army/Rotary Club of Olympia Bell Ringing:** Our club will ring the Salvation Army bell on December 17. Please consider volunteering for a shift.

**Social Justice Committee Meeting:** Friday, October 22 @ 9:30am via Zoom – to join, please contact Kyle Cronk for the link.

**Rotary Book Club:** Tuesday, October 18 @ 5:30pm at Mercato – all are welcome, regardless of what you're reading.

**Halloween Party:** Monday, October 31 @ Club Meeting – stay tuned for more details...plan on a costume contest!

**Cool Jazz/Clean Water:** Bill Lahmann asked for volunteers to help usher bands during the daytime or to help bartend during the evening. Dan Lehuta will add a volunteer sign-up link to the main Rotary Club website, and Neil will send an email with the link, too.

**Happy Bucks hosted by Lynn Heinold**

**Lynn Heinold:** Enjoyed attending the Olympia Yacht Club Commadore's Ball over the weekend.

**Program:** Port of Olympia Centennial Celebration

Chuck Fowler introduced Sam Gibbony. Chuck first met Sam during the initial rescue and restoration of the Parthia Tugboat when she was in her previous role with the Port of Port Townsend. Sam is a member of our club.

Sam gave a presentation on the Port of Olympia Centennial Celebration. On November 7, 2022 the Port will turn 100 years old! Sam shared a slideshow that she prepared about the history of the Port of Olympia. Washington 75 port districts, more than most other states in the country. Washington Ports were created as part of the Ports District Act of 1911. The Port of Olympia has four business lines: Marine Terminal, Olympia Regional Airport, Swantown Marina & Boatworks, and Real Estate holdings (in Olympia, Tumwater and Lacey). The Marine Terminal is a break bulk facility. A three-member commission governs the Port of Olympia. The Ballot Measure on your November Ballot is asking for voter's approval to expand the Port Commission to five members. The Port is urging voters to approve the measure.

To see a video of Sam's presentation, click [HERE](#)  
Sam took questions from club members.

**Mr. Snappy:** John Sabo won a \$35 Starbucks Gift Certificate donated by Dennis Cooper.

**Meeting Adjourned** 1:15 pm by President Sarah

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