



## Silverdale Rotary Breeze - March 3, 2025

### Meetings and Events

March 6th  
**Silverdale Weekly Club Meeting**  
**Speaker:** PSE - Zachary Kaija & Karen Brubeck  
**Subject:** Energy Efficiency Programs

March 13th  
**Silverdale Weekly Club Meeting**  
**Speaker:** Jeff Samuelson - International Business as Mission  
**Subject:** Empowering Global Entrepreneurs: A Path to Sustainable Impact

March 27th  
**Silverdale Weekly Club Meeting**  
**Speaker:** Food Bagging at the Mall

April 17th  
**Silverdale Weekly Club Meeting**  
**Speaker:** Christie Scheffer  
**Subject:** Service Members of the Quarter

April 24th  
**Silverdale Weekly Club Meeting**  
**Speaker:** The Hometown Band  
**Subject:** Bringing Instrumental Music to Our Community

May 30th  
**District 5020 Conference in Tacoma**

### Announcements

By Barbara Beagle on Sunday, March 2, 2025

We normally meet every Thursday in the Community Room in the Kitsap Mall. The Community Room is to your left as you enter the Mall coming through Dick's Sporting Goods. Social time is from noon to 12:15 pm; the meeting starts at 12:15 and ends around 1:15 p.m. The **Zoom link for weekly club meetings** is <https://d5020.zoom.us/j/7159892596> **passcode = 17965555**.

**Mar 5** Duck Race Zoom Planning Mtg - all invited! **Different Zoom link**  
<https://d5020.zoom.us/j/87867020491?pwd=k6adYrXE7xY42xPbED0g4nobaP1uDb.1> pw 792761

**Mar 6** Energy Efficiency Programs - Zachary Kaija and Karen Brubeck, Puget Sound Energy

**Mar 11** Kitsap Great Give <https://www.kitsapgreatgive.org/> and [page and link](#) for SRC

**Mar 15** Ron Templeton Memorial Service. 11:30 am, Central Kitsap Presbyterian Church 9300 Nels Nelson RD NW. See obituary in the Kitsap Sun <https://www.kitsapsun.com/obituaries/pbks1102511>

**Mar 16 (Correction)** 2:00 pm. Ron Templeton - Happy Hour at Kitsap Golf and Country Club. Appetizers, no formal program, just make a toast and say a word or two.

**Mar 27** Food bagging at the Mall

**Mar 29** Bremerton Rotary Wild Beginnings Dinner - details forthcoming

**May 30-31** District 5020 Conference (Marriott Tacoma Downtown) <https://www.conference.rotary5020.org/>

**Jun 21-25** Rotary International Convention (Calgary, Alberta) <https://convention.rotary.org/en-us/>

**Jun 27** Installation Dinner at Seabeck Conference Center

**Jul 27** Silverdale Rotary Duck Race

**Kitsap Great Give - March 11** <https://www.kitsapgreatgive.org/>. Silverdale Rotary has a [page and link](#) to raise funds for food insecurity. Please share the link, and share Silverdale Rotary's post on Facebook when you see it. The donation button is live.

**The Rotary Foundation** - TRF Chair Nancy Whitaker reported on February 27 that for Every Rotarian Every Year we are at 69%. Last Rotary year we were much higher, but **President Glen's Goal is 100%**! We also need our per capita donations to be \$200 to get the maximum of District Grants. **Nancy is looking for more members for her committee so they can do fun things like Game Nights!** Please contact Nancy if you would like to **have fun** at the same time as raising money for The Rotary Foundation.

**Speaker Needed - Memorial Day Service** on May 26 at Silverdale Veterans Memorial Park. Rich Arper is looking for a Silverdale Rotarian to speak at the ceremony. Please contact Rich at [rtarper@wavecable.com](mailto:rtarper@wavecable.com) or 206-817-5800.

**Error Message on Service Selfies in Ignite App.** If you get an error message trying to upload a photo you took with your phone, it may be your phone settings. You need to allow permission to access the camera or photos when the question pops up. Go to Settings - Privacy and Security and check both Photos and Camera. Under Photos, you may see that Ignite has been given no access (may say "Private access"). If you select "Limited Access" it will ask you to select a handful of photos that Ignite can access. Those will be the only photos it can ever access. If you select "Full Access," then you should be able to add any photo at any time. Also check the Camera setting the same Privacy and Security menu, and if that is toggled off then toggling it on would allow the app to access the camera.

**Classification and Reclassification Talks - Signup List at the Greeter Table.** President Elect Dale reminded us that the sign-up sheet for classification and reclassification talks is at the Greeter table. We haven't heard from a lot of longtime Rotarians for a good while, and we have many newer members who may have never heard your story.

**President Glen will be asking for volunteers for Thought for the Day at meetings.**

June 21st  
**Rotary International  
Convention -  
Calgary, AB**

June 27th  
**Installation Dinner at  
Seabeck Conference  
Ctr**

July 27th  
**Silverdale Rotary  
Club Duck Race at  
Whaling Days**

## Club Leaders



Glen Melin  
Club  
Learning  
Facilitator  
Service  
Projects  
Chair  
President



Dale  
Robinson  
President-  
Elect



Barbara  
Beagle  
Bulletin  
Editor  
Secretary  
Webmaster



Ed Hamilton  
Past  
President  
Public  
Image Chair



Matthew  
Barrett  
Club Admin  
Chair  
Youth  
Exchange  
Officer



Christie  
Scheffer  
Membership  
Chair  
Past  
President



Nancy K  
Whitaker  
Rotary  
Foundation  
Chair



Victoria  
Nixon  
Club  
Service  
Chair Elect



Kimberly M.  
Peterson  
Community  
Service  
Chair Elect  
Past  
President

## Recruiting for Duck Race Partnership Committee

By Cathy Bisailon on Monday, March 3, 2025

**Our club's Board of Directors has asked me to lead an ad hoc committee to work out the details of the proposed Duck Race partnership with the East Bremerton Rotary Club** and to present our proposal to the Board for approval. It would be great to have the proposal to the Board in time for the March 26 meeting, but the Board can also consider and approve the proposal via other means, if needed.

**My immediate Call to Action is to staff the committee with 5 current Silverdale Rotarians.** I will facilitate and moderate discussions, so having an odd number of committee members ensures a majority vote on decisions. I anticipate 2-3 brief meetings with some email communication in between meetings.

**Please consider stepping up for this important, and time-limited, responsibility. Just email me indicating your interest.**  
[cathybisailonrotary@gmail.com](mailto:cathybisailonrotary@gmail.com)

## Duck Race Update on February 27

By Barbara Beagle on Monday, March 3, 2025

**Duck Race Individual Goals** - at Rotary on February 27, Duck Race Chair Cathy requested that we each fill out the [Individual Goals](#) form and submit it to Cathy by **March 14**. Also see the [Updated Duck Race Overview](#) that she presented on February 27. We have work to do!

**Sponsorships** - Deadline for Sponsorships is **March 31** in order to formulate the Duck Tickets and get them to the printer, and into YOUR HANDS for selling. Cathy has challenged us to **each** come up with at least two sponsors for prizes, cash, and in kind services. Here is the link to the Sponsorship form [https://www.dacdb.com/Rotary/Accounts/5020/Downloads/84/Duck\\_Race/2025/Duck\\_Race/Duck\\_Race\\_Sponsor\\_Pledge\\_Sheet\\_2025\\_-\\_final.pdf](https://www.dacdb.com/Rotary/Accounts/5020/Downloads/84/Duck_Race/2025/Duck_Race/Duck_Race_Sponsor_Pledge_Sheet_2025_-_final.pdf).

**Duck Race Zoom Meeting on Wednesday, March 5 at 5:30 pm Pacific:** All are welcome, not just committee chairs - there is a wealth of information residing in our collective experiences - we need you! **NEW ZOOM LINK** - this is different from our normal Club meeting link:

<https://d5020.zoom.us/j/87867020491?pwd=k6adYrXE7xY42xPbED0g4nobaP1uDb.1>

Passcode: 792761

**Quacktales:**



## Duck Race Changes

By Cathy Bisailon on Monday, February 17, 2025

In five short months, our ducks will swim to the finish line, raising thousands of dollars for all of the worthy causes that we support. **The Duck Race is an all-hands event, and planning meetings are being held every 2-3 weeks.**



[Galina Georgieva](#)  
International  
Service  
Chair Elec



[Mary Hoover](#)  
International  
Service  
Chair



[Corey Alexander Hamilton](#)  
Vocational  
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Chair



[Richard \(Rich\) Arper](#)  
Past  
President  
Youth  
Services  
Chair



[Charles \(Chuck\) Kraining](#)  
Past  
President  
Youth  
Protection  
Officer  
Youth  
Services  
Chair



[Cathy Bisailon](#)  
iPast  
President



[Elayne Burton](#)  
Community  
Service  
Chair  
Treasurer  
Past  
President

**The task at hand is procuring sponsorships to offset costs and ensure that we have many prizes to drive ticket sales. Have you turned in at least two sponsor forms? Please get them in by March 31, and let Cathy know if you need help.**

**While sponsorships are coming in, we are also excited about changing things up this year.**

- At the meeting of the Board of Directors on February 26, they voted to set ticket prices at \$10 per single and \$35 per Quack Pack of five tickets.
- Please see the separate article recruiting for an ad hoc committee to work on a partnership with East Bremerton Rotary Club.

**Fundraising is important to all of us**, so please consider attending the next Zoom planning meeting on March 5 at this **new Zoom link** <https://d5020.zoom.us/j/87867020491?pwd=k6adYrXE7xY42xPbED0g4nobaP1uDb.1> pw 792761

**Let's get quackin'!**

## Website Article - Will You Be a Sponsor for the 2025 Duck Race?

By Barbara Beagle on Monday, February 3, 2025

Note: When talking to past and potential Duck Race Sponsors, you can direct them to our website [www.silverdalerotaryclub.org](http://www.silverdalerotaryclub.org) for a Duck Race article with several interactive links. It is reproduced below. Our old Duck Race website from previous years is not available.

### 2025 SILVERDALE ROTARY DUCK RACE - We Need Your Help!



**It is time to get excited about the 31st Annual Silverdale Rotary Duck Race! The Duck Race will occur on July 27, 2025 at Whaling Days at the Silverdale Waterfront Park!**

Our signature fundraiser raffle has raised over 1.8 million dollars over the past 30 years, **thanks to our business community's incredible support.** The 2024 Silverdale Rotary Duck Race was a great success, raising over \$51,000 in net proceeds. But, this event is a huge production, and our costs have continued to increase.

**We are so grateful to our many sponsors who ensure a successful event by providing prizes, cash donations, and in-kind donations for the Duck Race each year.** This has allowed us to have the goal of donating EVERY DOLLAR raised at the Duck Race back to our community. Some of the great causes and projects our club has supported are listed in the partial list below. Also, see [Why do we Race Ducks?](#) for photo examples.

- \* \$12,000 in annual College Scholarships
- \* Dictionaries for every 3rd grader in CK School District
- \* Grants to area food banks, shelters, and assistance programs
- \* AEDs for Kitsap Parks
- \* Backpacks of food for homeless students; holiday meals for homeless teens
- \* Safe Grad Nights for CK and Klahowya High Schools
- \* Emergency Preparedness – Portable Antennas and Masts

**Please consider being a sponsor for the 31st annual Silverdale Rotary Duck Race! [Click here](#) for more details. Our deadline for sponsorship is March 31, 2025** to allow us time to design and print raffle tickets for sale this summer.

Unfamiliar with the Duck Race? [Click Here](#) for a photo album. Be sure to scroll to the bottom of each photo screen to see the captions.

## Club Assembly Part 2 on February 27

By Barbara Beagle on Sunday, March 2, 2025



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## Scholarship Applications Now Available

By Ed Hamilton on Monday, March 3, 2025

**Scholarship applications are now available for CKHS, Klahowya, Crosspoint Academy, and home schooled seniors associated with those schools.** There are two in the dropdown box at [www.silverdalerotaryclub.org](http://www.silverdalerotaryclub.org). See details at links below. **Deadline for applications is Friday, May 8.**

2025 Education Grant Application [https://www.dacdb.com/Rotary/Accounts/5020/Downloads/84/2025 Education Grant Application.pdf](https://www.dacdb.com/Rotary/Accounts/5020/Downloads/84/2025%20Education%20Grant%20Application.pdf)

2025 Scholarship Application [https://www.dacdb.com/Rotary/Accounts/5020/Downloads/84/2025 Scholarship Application.pdf](https://www.dacdb.com/Rotary/Accounts/5020/Downloads/84/2025%20Scholarship%20Application.pdf)

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## Paul Harris Fellow Recognition - Debi Brooks-Givens PHF+1

By Victoria Nixon on Monday, March 3, 2025

**It's always special for us to celebrate our fellow Rotarians for their selfless and charitable giving.** One way we get to do this is by recognizing their contributions with Rotary's Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) program, which celebrates individuals who contribute \$1,000 to The Rotary Foundation.



Pictured: President Glen and Debi - having fun at Rotary!

**On February 27, we recognized Debi Brooks-Givens with a PHF+1 for her contributions to the Rotary Foundation.** Thank you, Debi, for all you do for Rotary and our club. We appreciate you!

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## Thought for the Day - Glen Melin on February 27

By Barbara Beagle on Sunday, March 2, 2025

President Glen started by providing some quotes for our Thought for the Day in honor of students:

- "The mind is not a vessel to be filled, but a fire to be ignited." Plutarch
  - "The beautiful thing about learning is that no one can take it away from you." BB King
  - "The expert in anything was once a beginner." Helen Hayes
  - "None of us is as smart as all of us." Ken Blanchard
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## Student of the Month

By Victoria Nixon on Monday, March 3, 2025



Pictured: Ian Moss, Ms. Kong, President Glen Melin

**On February 27, we had the privilege of celebrating our Student of the Month, Ian Moss.** Ian, along with teacher/counselor Ms. Kong, joined us from Crosspoint Academy, where Ian attends high school. Ian has a long list of accolades, which include things like being ASB Treasurer, Captain of the golf team, National Honor Society, excelling in AP classes and most importantly, being a big brother to his younger brother with academic challenges.

As Ian looks to the future, he is still deciding on where he will attend college, but the front-runners are Texas A&M, Gonzaga or University of Washington. Ian plans on studying chemistry and then going on to Medical School.

**Congratulations, Ian!**

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## Update on Tobiasz

By Cathy Bisailon on Sunday, March 2, 2025

Tobiasz is very happy to try new things! Contact Host Mom Cathy Bisailon for scheduling.

Tobiasz had a good week. He missed a day of school due to the power outage, so he and Phil hit the lanes and bowled a couple of games. He spent the rainy Saturday at the movies catching a comedy/horror film called Heart Eyes. He will go to the Titanic Exhibit with Frank and Danny Guthrie on March 8, and his Rotary Exchange trip to Canada is March 12-16.

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## Community Announcements

By Barbara Beagle on Monday, March 3, 2025

**March 29 Bremerton Rotary Wild Beginnings Dinner fundraiser - 5:00pm at Kitsap Conference Center.** Details will be provided later.




## Now Hiring!

*Temporary summer positions providing care to adults and children with disabilities*

Seeking Camp Counselors and Certified Lifeguards (or willing to certify)

Summer Camp Sessions June 17-August 24

- ~ Pay starts at \$400/session
- ~ Housing and Meals included
- ~ Paid Training

Please contact Camp Director Pavlina Morris for more information: [pmorris@wa.easterseals.com](mailto:pmorris@wa.easterseals.com)  
253-884-2722




Camp Stand By Me 17809  
S. Vaughn Rd. NW  
Vaughn, WA 98394

## Unite for Good - Rotary International President Elect's Message

By Glen Melin on Monday, March 3, 2025



To watch RIPE de Camargo's video, Unite for Good, [Click Here](#).

On February 10, Rotary International President-Elect Mário César Martins de Camargo asked members to *Unite for Good* by embracing growth, service, and connection as he outlined a plan to expand “the best-qualified team of volunteers on the planet.”

“Rotary’s greatest asset is not our history, our projects, or even our unmatched global reach. It is our members,” de Camargo said at the organization’s International Assembly in Orlando, Florida, USA, on 10 February. He noted praise from one of Rotary’s partners about “the extraordinary dedication” of Rotary members. “That recognition from an outsider deepened my understanding: Rotary’s greatest gift to the world is its people.”

De Camargo, a member of the Rotary Club of Santo André, São Paulo, Brazil, **emphasized the importance of seeking out new perspectives and strengthening Rotary’s service to communities around the globe.** He outlined three “essential pillars” for growth: innovation, continuity, and partnership.

## Judges Needed for Science and Engineering Fair

By Matthew Barrett on Monday, February 17, 2025



The Washington State Science & Engineering Fair (WSSEF) <https://wssef.org/> happens every year in Bremerton, with students from all over the state coming to be judged for their efforts. [WSSEF Video](#). This will be my second year as a judge, and it's an amazing experience that has fueled so much of my hope for the future.



**This year's WSSEF is on March 28th and 29th**, and they have only half the judges needed. Advanced degrees or experience are NOT required for lower and middle grades, and the more of those we get, the easier it will be for everyone. This is a wonderful opportunity for service, and you can expect an amazing personal experience as well. My first year as a judge, I met a 3rd grader who coded and trained a neural net to recognize recyclable garbage, and I met high schoolers who were working on everything from school shootings to water reclamation.

**Please consider filling out the [STEM Wizard - Judge Registration Form](#) and seeing what grades you qualify for. These kids need us.** They have such passion, such ingenuity, and such generosity, I know they will inspire you as much as they do me. One day as a judge will give you Thought for the Day material for months! If you are not available on those dates, please consider sharing this message and the above link with anyone you know of who has an interest in science, children and/or our community. If we can just get a few new judges this year, we are confident that we will see them again for years to come.

**For the love of science, and of our children!**

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