









Silverdale Rotary Breeze - September 19, 2022

Meetings and Events

- September 22nd
Silverdale Weekly Club Meeting - Political Event
Speaker: Katie Walters & Josh Hinman - Candidates for District 3 County Commissioner
- September 28th
Board Meeting
- October 3rd
Membership Committee Meeting
- October 3rd
Public Image Committee Meeting
- October 26th
Board Meeting
- November 7th
Membership Committee Meeting
- November 19th
Rotary Party at the Timken's!
- November 23rd
Board Meeting
- November 24th
Silverdale Rotary Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot
- December 5th
Membership Committee Meeting

Club Leaders

-  **Cathy Bisailon**
Service Projects Chair
President
President-Elect
-  **Erin M. Shannon**
Club Executive Secretary
Secretary
iPast President
-  **Elayne Burton**
Treasurer
-  **Barbara Beagle**
Bulletin Editor
Webmaster
-  **Ed Hamilton**
Public Image Chair
-  **Matthew Barrett**
Club Admin Chair
Youth Service Chair Elect
-  **Heather Campana**
Membership Co-Chair
-  **Christie Scheffer**
Membership Chair

Rotary Announcements

By Barbara Beagle on Monday, September 19, 2022

September 22 Club Meeting - Democrat Katie Walters and Republican Josh Hinman, candidates for the District 3 Kitsap County Commissioner seat, will speak at Rotary in the Ballroom on September 22. If you plan to eat, there will be a buffet - bring \$15 CASH per person. Please come early - we expect a crowd!

Rotary Youth Exchange News - Our Rotary Youth Exchange Student Julian Lagos from Santiago, Chile spent the weekend of September 9-10 at the Seabeck Conference Center for orientation with all of the rest of the District 5020 exchange students. Pictured below, Julian is 3rd from the left, 2nd row. Julian told us his classes in school include English, geometry, music, and marine science.



Host Dad Steven Boe reminded us to "take him to dinner; show him around." **He likes pasta "a LOT" and fish.** Contact Steve to schedule.

Matej Kunak and Niky Petrecsova Are Engaged! The big news came via Zoom from Slovakia on September 15. There were huge smiles and applause all around as they described the secret to their 3-year relationship: **"always speak kindly to each other."** Pretty sage advice for all of us!



Thought for the Day on September 15 provided by Mark Timken: **"It's worth remembering that it is often the small steps, not the giant leaps, that bring about the most lasting change."** Queen Elizabeth II.

Football Pool for The Rotary Foundation

- September 12: Congratulations to Corey Hamilton who won the \$50 gift certificate to the 19th Hole!
- September 19: Hot off the (TV) press, Brian Beagle is the winner of an Applebees gift card!

Thanks to Foundation Chair Nancy Whitaker for adding excitement to Monday Night Football while we are supporting The Rotary Foundation!

Rotarians at Work on September 17, 2022

By Barbara Beagle on Monday, September 19, 2022

September 17 was a busy day for Silverdale Rotarians working on two different community partnership projects!

Shred to Fed - Kitsap Bank Fundraiser for CK Food Bank



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Rotary Foundation Chair



[Michael D Collins](#)
Community Service Chair Elect



[Ashley Oaksmith](#)
Club Service Chair Elect



[Steve G. Slaton](#)
Community Service Chair



[Richard \(Rich\) Arper](#)
International Service Chair



[James Barker](#)
International Service Chair Elec



[Robert H Cassis Jr.](#)
Vocational Service Chair Elect



[Dale Robinson](#)
Vocational Service Chair



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



[Patti Van Patten](#)
Youth Exchange Officer



[Jennifer Strong](#)
iPast President



[Alisha Breane Martinez](#)
Assistant Governor



Pictured: Rotarians Mary Hoover and Cathy Bisaillon

From Rotarian Kim Peterson: It was Win-Win! The Silverdale Branch of Kitsap Bank hosted a shredding event on September 17. **Why Win-Win? Because the public had "free" (for a donation) and easy access for shredding documents, and the donations received are going to the CK Food Bank!** Four Silverdale Rotarians (Branch Manager Kim Peterson, Elayne Burton, Mary Hoover, and Cathy Bisaillon), four from CK Food Bank, and 14 from the Kitsap Bank family provided the hands-on person-power, and **\$2,000 was raised for the Food Bank.** Thanks to everyone!

Crossroads Rotarians and Silverdale Rotarians Team Up to Clean Up the Bluff Trail at Port Gamble Forest Heritage Park



Pictured: Rotarians Glen Melin and Michael Collins

From Rotarian Michael Collins: Silverdale Rotarians joined Crossroads Rotarians to continue the Joint Project of cleaning up the Bluff Trail in the Port Gamble Forest Heritage Park. The group was small but mighty, and Glen and I had a great time working with Crossroads Rotarians! This is my second year working on this project, and **I have enjoyed connecting with other Rotarians and learning about what they are working on and their focus.** This year we cleared out the exit from the trail onto the street to improve safety conditions. We also cleared out more of the trail and covered up roots to make the trail smoother. **It was a great day outdoors, serving the community!**

Rotary-Peace Corps Week, September 19-23

By Glen Melin on Monday, September 19, 2022



Editor's Note: Rotarian Glen Melin served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Burkina Faso, West Africa in 1985-1987.

SAVE THE DATE
ROTARY-PEACE CORPS WEEK
PRESENTED BY
PARTNERING FOR PEACE

SEPTEMBER
19 - 23, 2022

Hosted and Sponsored by: Partnering for Peace works closely with:

Partnering for Peace
Peace Corps
Rotary International

The second annual Rotary-Peace Corps Week will be celebrated September 19-23 with numerous online opportunities for engagement and inspiration. This event is hosted by Partnering for Peace, a group of returned Peace Corps volunteers who are also Rotary members and are passionate about the impact we can all make together through the official Rotary-Peace Corps partnership. **Partnering for Peace states, "We are a group of volunteers who have walked the path of Peace Corps and Rotary.** We noticed the similarities in values, goals, and processes, and how one built on the strength of the other. The two organizations, united, offer opportunities and benefits to both organizations. **It is our hope to share this humanitarian magic with others who will embrace the formal partnership between Rotary International and the U.S. Peace Corps."**

Information about the webinars, information sessions, and opportunities for online dialogue during Rotary-Peace Corps Week can be found at www.partneringforpeace.org. Check it out and nurture the passion for peacebuilding through service that is shared by Rotary and the Peace Corps!



WORK PARTIES

Bring your family and friends 18+. All skill levels welcome.
Snacks provided!

➤ Please RSVP to Ashley Oaksmith to help us get a rough head count.
Come for one or both dates!

Tuesday, Sept 20	Saturday, Sept 24
3-5pm	9-11am

Morales Farm, 8862 NE Lovgreen Rd. Bainbridge Island

The project goal is to build affordable housing for farm interns. ReHOME is a non-profit endeavor that is working to reduce construction waste and provide affordable homes for our community. The first project is three dwelling units for farmers of Morales Farm on Bainbridge Island. By volunteering to help construct these homes, you will be helping your community and the environment!

Volunteers must be 18 years or older to volunteer. No level of skill required (You will be assisting professionals by handling materials and cleaning areas as needed).

If you want to participate or have questions, send an email to our Club Point of Contact, Ashley Oaksmith: Ashley.Oaksmith@clarkconstruct.com .

TLC for the Silverdale Christmas Tree

By Richard (Rich) Arper on Monday, September 19, 2022

Step 1 is done! Three youth from the Kitsap County Juvenile Court along with their supervisor worked alongside Silverdale Rotarian Rich Arper and Silverdale Dandy Lion Roland Arper and cleared the area around the iconic Silverdale Christmas Tree, inside and outside the perimeter fence, so that the light strings can be lowered and maintained. See "before" and "after" photos below. Next step: lower and replace burned out bulbs so that the tree will be ready for the annual tree lighting ceremony the Saturday after Thanksgiving.



Pictured above - "before" - weeds and blackberries around the tree make lowering the light strings for maintenance impossible



Rich Arper and his brother Roland Arper have continued to tend to our iconic Christmas tree, a labor of love that goes back to the mid-50s. Throughout the very dry summer, Rich made frequent trips to irrigate the tree – a total of 11,000 gallons this summer. With that, the blackberries and other brush around the tree also flourished, so the work party gathered on September 17 to tackle the jungle of brush. See the "after" photo below.



Heads or Tails? Fun and Fellowship on September 15

By Barbara Beagle on Monday, September 19, 2022



The speaker canceled for our September 15 meeting, so President Cathy and Ed Hamilton came to the rescue. What fun we had! Cathy got everyone on their feet with a Heads or Tails exercise amid much hilarity (see inset), and Ed Hamilton won!



Pictured: Tech wizard Matthew and Ed

Then Ed (with Matthew Barrett doing the tech) led us through a "Speed Dating" exercise, which really was a structured way to learn about each other in small groups in 90 seconds. Then we switched. Examples: What is your favorite time of day and why? What is your "work from home" uniform? We found out more about each other in 20 minutes than in months of lunch meetings! Thanks to Matthew doing excellent Zoom tech, the Zoomers were able to participate, too!

Three New Members! Chief Jay Christian, Scott Oakley, and Haley Probus

By Barbara Beagle on Monday, September 12, 2022

On September 8, Membership Chair Christie Scheffer inducted three new members into Silverdale Rotary Club!



Pictured left to right: New member Haley Probus, sponsor Emily Morisawa; new member Fire Chief Jay Christian, sponsor President Cathy Bisaillon; sponsor Jackie Oakley, and new member Scott Oakley

Welcome to the Silverdale Rotary family Haley, Jay, and Scott!

- **Jay Christian**, CKFR Fire Chief - his sponsor is Cathy Bisaillon. Jay stated that he is really excited to be part of our community organization and serving in the spirit of teamwork.
- **Haley Probus** - Haselwood Family YMCA, Senior Health and Well Being Director. Her sponsor is YMCA Executive Director Emily Morisawa. Haley announced her intentions to be on the International Service Committee and the Rotary Youth Exchange Committee.
- **Scott Oakley** - Snowbird - 6 months here, 6 months in Hawaii! His sponsor is his sister Jackie Oakley of the Rotary eClub of the State of Jefferson (D5110). Scott remarked that he had been looking for an organization to keep him busy during the months he is here in the Pacific Northwest.

Christie challenged the audience that we "need to get to know these individuals. They have a real passion in different ways for serving in our community. So we're very, very lucky to have them join us!"

August Rotarian of the Month - Mary Hoover

By Richard (Rich) Arper on Monday, September 12, 2022

Editor's Note: This Rotary year the Rotarians of the Month will be chosen by Board members, rotating each month. **Rich Arper announced that the Rotarian of the Month for August is very hard working Mary Hoover.**

Rich presented Mary with a bottle of wine - Congratulations, and thank you, Mary! Why Mary?

- We see her at almost all club meetings, sitting at the Greeter Table welcoming everyone with a smile, selling raffle tickets, and taking attendance (i.e., tracking engagement).
- Mary is a Past President (2012-13).
- Mary was one of the top Duck Sellers in 2022 and worked tirelessly in Duck Central (photo below from

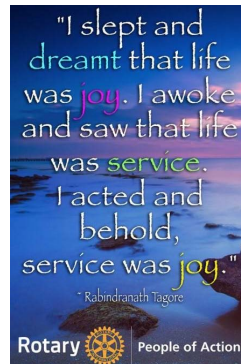


2019).

- **An additional note** - ask any of our longtime Rotarians about a fellowship party at Mike Gass' home in the early 2010s where Mary revealed she was once a "pole dancer!" (Really? Remember the Four Way Test!)
- Congratulations, and well deserved, Mary!

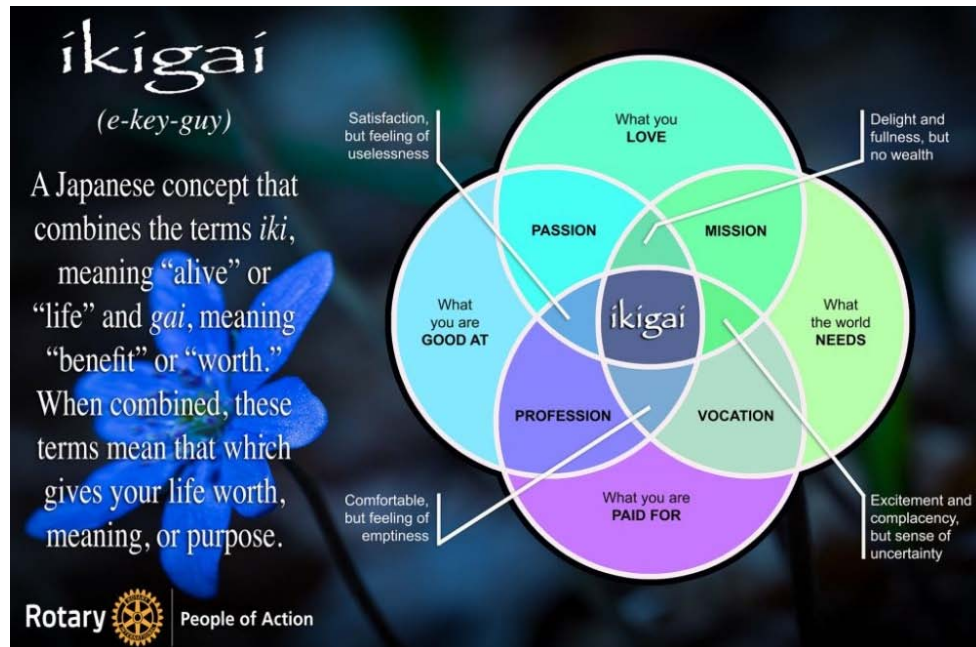
Rotary and Your Existential Fuel

By Steven Boe on Monday, September 12, 2022



Editor's note: Our own Steven Boe (D5020 Public Image Chair) wrote an article about Growing Rotary that was published in the latest District 5020 magazine. Following are excerpts. For the entire article, go to https://www.ud5020.com/rotary-and-your-existential-fuel/?fbclid=IwAR3RWp1O-CI_xM2E8ZCkFp6Z1Tur2O3Shu6kvC8npnULgViMokDEgca3K6l.

"The Japanese concept of IKIGAI (pronounced e-KEY-guy) translates into "a reason for being." You might say, "a reason to get up in the morning" or "how to enjoy the meaning of life." Others might call it their passion, their purpose, their "something to live for." Ikigai is a powerful thing. **It nourishes our souls, provides energy for our actions, rewards us when we succeed, and lifts us up when we fail. It's contagious, it inspires, and it speaks to the very core of what it means to be a Rotarian.**



"Every Rotarian has the day that they joined Rotary, but we also have the day that we become a Rotarian....Sometimes it can be so small that it almost goes unnoticed. But somewhere deep down, a flame is ignited and the realization of what it is to truly be a Rotarian begins to grow.

"What we do as Rotarians is posted on our websites, in our newsletters, in our social media posts, and local papers...but are they what really draws someone to an organization like Rotary? **Perhaps the answer to increasing membership is found in WHY Rotary.** Why are you a Rotarian? Why are you passionate about service? Why do you want this person you're speaking with to join you in Rotary? Why are you a person of action? Your ikigai, your passion, is contagious. It inspires a desire in others to discover their unique passion. And once they discover that passion, they will want to share it with others. It's the energy and the emotion of the members. That twinkle in their eyes — that's ikigai shining through like a beacon.

"So growing club membership is not about quantitative numbers. It is about "growing" members. It's taking the innate talents and passions of each individual and providing them the foundation and support to flourish and succeed. We help them identify their ikigai to make a positive impact on the world.

"Want to know the moment I became a Rotarian? My 8-year-old daughter was talking about a clean-up project she wanted to do at her school. One

of her friends said, "We can't do that, it's too hard." My daughter stood, and with her hands on her hips said, "Yes we can. We're Rotary!"

Community Announcements

Monday, September 12, 2022

Greater Kitsap Chamber Business Afterhours - September 20 at the Kitsap Golf and Country Club.



Bike MS - Scott Park's Fundraiser. [Click here](#) for details and to donate. I'm cycling toward a world free of MS. MS is a devastating, unpredictable disease. But money raised through Bike MS fuels cutting-edge MS research and critical services to ensure people affected by MS have the resources they need to live their best lives. I was diagnosed several years ago with MS. As a result of the research and development of a new drug (Ocrevus) that was funded with money from the National MS Society, I am still able to ride my bicycle.

I've signed up for Bike MS on September 24-25 in Kellogg, ID – a fundraising ride that changes the world for people affected by multiple sclerosis, and I hope I can count on your support as I prepare for this incredible experience. **Please help me reach my goal.**

Olympic Mountain Rescue - Program on September 8

By Barbara Beagle on Monday, September 12, 2022

Jim Groh from Olympic Mountain Rescue <https://olympicmountainrescue.org/> spoke to us on September 8 with an overview of the amazing volunteers, training, equipment, and communication within various emergency agencies that team up to save lives (usually human, but sometimes animals).

Click on this link to watch a video from their website <https://youtu.be/CK9Yti8R37A>

How does a mission work?

Search can entail:

- ┆ Traversing steep hills, bushwhacking
- ┆ Working with a dog team
- ┆ Using rigging to lower/raise a subject from steep terrain
- ┆ Searching for any clues for a missing person
- ┆ Or a turn around!



Equipment

Anything from snowshoes to crampons

OMR Truck – Ford F350, fits five

Climbing ropes, fancy pulleys, cams, litters, first aid, ice axes, climbing helmets, pickets, avalanche receivers, GPS units, radios



