



Tuesday, April 23, 2024

Speaker April 25th, 2024

Rachel Wong, Executive Director
Renton Rowing Club

Rachel Wong is an alumnus of Seattle University, where she was a walk-on with the Division I Women's Rowing team. Rachel began her career in coaching in 2016 at Green Lake Crew, where she served as the Assistant Novice Girls Coach. She went on to lead the Seattle Preparatory Novice Boys team, coaching the team to the program's first Regional Youth Championship title. In 2018, Rachel played a key role in founding the Seattle Scullers rowing team. For 3 years, she acted as their Long-Term Athlete Coordinator and Assistant Coach, managing recruitment efforts, community outreach, logistics, and communications. She began working at the Renton Rowing Center in July of 2021, and has helped to improve RRC's fundraising efforts, grow the coaching staff, and send RRC's first-ever athlete to the Youth National Championships last year.

Weekly Agenda

LUNCH SERVED ~ 12:15
Tuna melts with potato wedges and assorted petite fours for dessert

MEETING STARTS ~ 12:30

WELCOME

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPEAKER

FINES & HAPPY BUCKS

FOUR WAY TEST

ADJOURNMENT AT 1:30

Coming to the meeting? Please let Mary know for the Lunch Count

In order to ensure the chef has prepared enough lunches, please let us know if you are coming to the weekly meeting.

There are several ways to do this:

- Reply to Mary's weekly email she sends with a yes or no.
- Email Mary at RentonRotarySecretary@gmail.com
- Go to www.rentonrotary.org and click on the calendar date top right. Then scroll down and click on RSVP.

If you prefer the soup & salad, vegetarian or vegan option, please let Mary know, so she can let the chef know about this as well.

Golf Scramble Was a Success!

The Renton Rotary Club Presents

TEE UP FOR COMMUNITY CHARITY GOLF SCRAMBLE

APRIL 22, 2024 AT THE FAIRWOOD GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB



Thank you to our Sponsors and participants for helping us make the Golf Scramble a fun time while raising money to support our community!

Social Event - Come Check Us Out!



Club Meeting Place & Time

Renton
Meets at Fairwood Golf & Country Club
17070 140th Ave SE
Renton, WA 98058
Time: Thursday at 12:00 PM

Events

April 25th
April 25th Club Meeting
Speaker: Rachel Wong
- Renton Rowing Center

Club Officers

 **Al Ralston**
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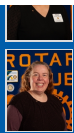
 **Danielle Smith**
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 **Marilyn Edlund**
International Service Chair

 **Jesus Lopez-Guisa**
International Service Co-Chair

 **Tricia Garcia**
Vocational Service Co-Chair



Chair

Lori Church-Pursley
Past
President



Please RSVP at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/renton-rotary-june-happy-hour-meet-greet-tickets-886500215007>

April Teachers of the Month

Renton Rotary selects Teachers of the Month

April 2024 – As part of their commitment to education, and to celebrate teachers in the Renton School District, each month members of Rotary Club of Renton selects a few teachers as Teacher of the Month.

April Teachers of the Month are:

Andie Ahlfors

Third Grade Teacher at Hazelwood Elementary School

Andie attended Lewis and Clark College in Portland, OR where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in International Affairs. She then continued at Antioch University in Seattle to receive a Masters in Education. Her teaching career began in the Peace Corps working in Lamang, Thailand. She then moved to Maine to teach with a unique character education program at the Hyde School. She has also taught with several local school districts before joining the Renton team. In her spare time, Andie enjoys equestrian activities with her mother and daughter as well as other outdoor activities. Andie has been teaching in Renton for ten years.



Dr. Gary Fox

Special Education Teacher at Renton High School

Gary attended Heritage University in Toppenish, WA where he earned a Bachelor degree in Public Administration and then continued at Grand Canyon University in Phoenix, AZ to receive a Masters in Education with an emphasis in Special Education. He continued to earn a Doctorate from Providence University with an emphasis in Special Education/School Leadership. He has also earned a Principal Certification from Heritage University. Before his teaching career he worked as a farmer, an Economic Development Director and in the aerospace industry. Gary became a teacher and spent several years in the middle school setting, then worked in an administrative roll for a few years before returning to the classroom here in Renton. This is Gary's third year teaching with the Renton School District.



Abigail Ilar-Corpuz



First Grade Teacher at Benson Hill Elementary School

Abigail attended Central Washington University where she earned a Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education with a Minor in Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL). She's currently pursuing a Master's in Clinical Mental Health Counseling from Northwest University in Kirkland. She began her teaching experience abroad in Macau, China where she worked on her undergrad practicum. Outside of the school day, Abigail enjoys spending time with her husband and family while visiting local restaurants. This is her sixth-year teaching in the Renton School District.



April Youth of the Month

Renton Rotary selects Youth of the Month

April 2024 – Rotary Club of Renton has selected their Youth of the Month.

Rotary members recognize several Renton School District high school students each month as Youth of the Month. The award is given to students who possess leadership abilities, community service, commitment to their fellow students, and maintain good grades and attendance.

April Rotary Youth of the Month are:



Sarah Derrick is a Senior at Hazen High School. She enjoys math and science classes at Hazen. She has participated in the Hazen Robotics Team and has taken karate classes outside of school. She volunteers for the City of Renton in numerous park projects and with the Renton Farmers Market and she works part-time as a math tutor at Mathnasium. After graduation, Sarah plans to attend a four-year college to major in mechanical engineering and her dream is to have a career in mechanical engineering to build for other and challenge her skillset.



Brooklyn Jones is a Senior at Lindbergh High School. She is involved in Sewing and Knitting club and also participates in Running Start. During the summer months, Brooklyn volunteers with Wise Camps as a camp counselor and she currently works at a pastry shop called Nothing Bundt Cakes as a froster. After graduation, she plans to go to a college or university to earn a bachelor's degree in psychology and then to pursue a medical degree. She hopes to become a psychiatrist and to serve a community where there is a shortage of mental health professionals.



Sherley Martinez is a Senior at Renton High School. As a running start student, she enjoys biology and chemistry classes. Sherley has been involved with Filipino Student Union, Key Club, Asian Student Union, and ASB. She works part-time at Menchie's Frozen Yogurt where she works as a shift leader. After high school and obtaining her AA degree from Highline College, she has committed to attend the University of Washington to major in Public Health with plans to continue her education with the School of Dentistry at the University of Washington with plans to pursue a career as a dentist.



Megan Wormwood is a student at Talley High School. She enjoys History, Yearbook, Independent Living and Leadership classes at Talley. Her volunteer time is spent serving on yearbook by staying for events to take pictures. Outside of the school day, she works part-time at Ross as a cashier. Her plans after high school include attending a college to earn an associate degree in business.



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