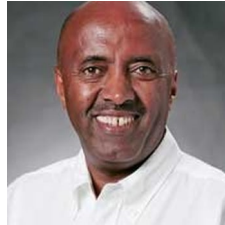


# Rotary Club of Renton



Wednesday, August 28, 2024

## August 29th Club Program



**Ezra Teshome of Rotary District 5030  
Eradicating Polio in Africa**

Ezra Teshome will update Rotarians on the success of efforts to eradicate Polio in Africa. He will describe the hard work that ensured the last pandemic country, Nigeria, was declared polio-free in August 2020.

Ezra is an entrepreneur who has earned accolades worldwide for his philanthropic endeavors and efforts within Africa to impact the lives of children. He is passionate about global health issues, particularly focusing on eradicating polio and bringing clean water to villages in rural Ethiopia. Ezra built a successful insurance and financial services business for over 35 years, and is also very involved in his local Ethiopian community, where he helped build the first church and establish the community center.

Ezra is the recipient of many community honors, including the World Affairs Council's World Citizen Award; Seattle University's Alumni Community Service Award; Highline Community College's Distinguish Alumni Award; Rotary's Service Above Self Award; Rotary International's Service Award for a Polio-Free World; University of Washington Health Science's Martin Luther King, Jr. Distinguished Service Award; and being named a Time Magazine Global Health Hero.

Ezra served as the Rotary District 5030 Governor from 2013 to 2014. He is married to Yobi, and they have four children and five grandchildren.

## Répondez s'il vous plaît

Have you seen the RSVP placards on the tables? In order to ensure the chef has prepared enough lunches, we need to provide an estimate on the number of people attending. Each week if you have RSVP'd, pick up the placard to place at your table. This way, Serena and others know to serve you the prepared entrée. If you didn't RSVP, please still come, and if there aren't enough prepared lunches, the soup and salad option is still fantastic!

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.

There are several ways to RSVP:

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

## Weekly Agenda

LUNCH SERVED ~ 12:15  
Veal cutlets with mashed potatoes and mushroom cream sauce and brownies for dessert

MEETING STARTS ~ 12:30

WELCOME

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPEAKER

FINES & HAPPY BUCKS

FOUR WAY TEST

ADJOURNMENT AT 1:30



### 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

August 29th  
**August 29th, 2024**  
**Club Meeting**  
**Speaker:** Ezra  
Teshome - Polio  
Eradication  
September 18th  
**Monthly Board**  
**meeting**

### Club Officers



**Al Ralston**  
President



**Rosie Rourke**  
President-Elect



**Jesse Tam**  
President-Elect



**Mary Fitzgerald**  
Secretary



**Lora Ueland**  
Treasurer

**Share the Magic of Rotary**



With your friends, neighbors and professional network!



**THE MAGIC  
OF ROTARY**

You can tell them how we.....

Join with millions of other Rotarians to provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, profession and community leaders.

Engage with and support the community. In the last 12 months, we have raised funds through the Rubber Ducky Race at Renton River Days and our annual CAPER auction and:

Awarded **\$24,000 in college scholarships** to Renton School District seniors

Put **\$12,000 worth of warm coats** on children

Contributed over **\$3,000 to eradicate polio**

Invested over **\$13,000 in 3rd graders education** and ongoing learning

Contributed over **\$15,000 to international humanitarian projects**

Provided a **\$250 cash gift to over 24 educators** in the Renton School District to support their classroom

Awarded nearly **\$53,000 in non-profit grants**

**Supplied appliances for senior citizens** to help them be able to stay in their homes

and much more!

Our dues are only \$50 a month! Come check us out at a weekly meeting and have lunch with us on Thursdays at 12:00 pm at the beautiful Fairwood Golf & Country Club. All are welcome, you don't have to be a business owner, just someone who cares about Renton and cares about serving.

**2024 CAPER Registration is OPEN!**

[Click Here to go to the CAPER website](#) to purchase tickets. Lots of sponsorship opportunities!

The Rotary Club of Renton cordially invites you to a

# Victorian Masquerade

## CAPER Dinner & Auction

Community Auction Promoting the Endeavors of Rotary

Don't miss this evening of fun, friends, raising the paddle,  
and celebration!

Lively Auction Best-Dressed Masquerade Attire Contest  
Dessert Dash, and so much more!

It will be the party of the season!

**Saturday, October 19, 2024**

**5:30pm - 9:00pm**

Renton Pavillion, 233 Burnett Ave. S.  
Renton, WA 98057

Admission & Plated Dinner

**Early Bird Special: \$120 per person**  
(\$150 per person after October 1, 2024)

TICKETS: [RentonRotary.ejoinme.org/2024CAPER](https://rentonrotary.ejoinme.org/2024CAPER)

All proceeds support the Rotary Club of Renton  
to fund projects in the Renton community.

Interested in donating an auction item?

Questions about CAPER?

Email: [RentonRotaryAuction@gmail.com](mailto:RentonRotaryAuction@gmail.com)



### Operation Warm - Coats for Kids

Monday, July 10, 2023



**5 MILLION**  
**CHILDREN SERVED**  
AND COUNTING!

**GIVE A GIFT THAT MAKES AN IMPACT.**

Renton Rotary is a proud participant of Operation Warm - Coats for Kids. Since 1988 Operation Warm has served over 5 million children. You can help us put warm coats on children in need right here in the Renton community.

All donations will stay here in Renton. Thank you for helping us support children and families in our midst. We couldn't do it without YOU!

[Click here for the donation page and thank you!](#)

