

University District Rotary Club Bulletin

Wednesday, May 8, 2024



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Lisa Edwards, President

Meeting Location

Seattle Yacht Club 1807 E. Hamlin St. Seattle, WA 98112

To join via Zoom:

https://us02web.zoom.us/ j/88235453974

When: Fridays

Business: 12:00-12:30 pm Lunch: 12:30-1:00 pm Program: 1:00-1:30 pm

VISITORS ARE WELCOME

Future Programs

May 10

Club Assembly

May 17

Monique Valenzuela, Exec Director, Ventures

May 24

No meeting: Memorial Day weekend

Links

Club Photos
Club Facebook Page
Club Website
DACdb
District 5030 Website

Club Bulletin Deadline

Monday at 2:00 pm Send ads & photos in .jpg Send material to:

paulalaschober@gmail.com

Program for May 10 Club Assembly



The May 10th club meeting will have the final recommendations for future club meetings, and review our progress with our 2023-2026 Strategic Plan (see next page).

We will discuss our progress with our three main goals:

- 1. Increase moneys available to support service projects
- 2. Keep members that we have and grow membership to 125
- 3. Raise our visibility

At this meeting, we will also recognize Moms for Mother's Day and recognize our May Rotarian of the Month.

Just under 3 weeks until the annual U District Street Fair! (by Rick Jones)

For the 3rd year our club will partner with the U District Partnership to staff the event's Welcome Booth. The work is fun and easy. We welcome folks to the event, provide simple wayfinding, answer questions, eat ice-cream and do simple visitor surveys.

There are 4 shifts per day, 2 hours each. We need 2 Rotarians per shift, so a total of 16 volunteer shifts for the weekend. The sign-up link is below. It's the same as last year. Simple! Feel free to volunteer more than 1 shift. For first-timers the Welcome Booth is adjacent to the UDistrict light rail station on University Way AKA "The Ave". There are chairs to rest your bum and a fun, celebratory atmosphere. I'll be there both afternoons. Will you join me?



The Street Fair is the largest annual event in the UDistrict. It is a celebration that draws 50,000+ visitors from across the region. Street performers, food, live stage, arts and more!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4DAFAB22A5FBCF8-49325546-2024

Don't be shy! Call me with questions, concerns etc. 206.284.1888.





UNIVERSITY DISTRICT ROTARY CLUB 2023-2026 STRATEGIC PLAN

I. Increase moneys available to support service projects



- Examine annual Service Fund allocations to increase funding for scholarships and humanitarian efforts
- Expand investments in service projects that address education of youth and environmental clean up
- Ensure 100% club participation in annual fundraiser
- · Develop and offer one annual niche fundraiser
- Secure one District Matching Grant

II. Keep members that we have and grow membership to 125



- Create a regular process for gauging and reporting member satisfaction
- · Add at least one activity each year to increase member engagement
- Modify or eliminate activities with low participation rates
- Sponsor and club members actively develop new members

III. Raise our visibility



- Activate a public image committee
- Create a three-year marketing plan that includes branding, key messages and impact stories
- Update website and digital platforms
- · Grow club marketing capabilities with interns





May 3rd - NO MEETING / Opening Day of Boating Season

May 4th - FOODIES EVENT- Kentucky Derby Party, 3-7 PM

May 10th - CLUB ASSEMBLY

May Rotarian of the Month

Mother's Day Celebration

May 17th - Monica Valenzuela, ED Ventures
Classification Talk - Ellenore Angelidis
May Rotarian Birthdays

May 18-19 - University District Street Fair

May 24th - NO MEETING / Memorial Day Weekend

May 31st - UDRC SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON

Thanks from Fundraiser Committee (by Jeff Werthan)

On behalf of all of the members of the Fundraiser Committee, I want to thank each and every one of our volunteers for your contribution to the fundraiser. Simply put, without your involvement, we would not have been able to have an event of this magnitude. Your time was invaluable. Thank you.





International Service Committee Invites New Applications by June 30

All club members are invited to submitted an application for an ISC project for the 2024-25 Rotary year. This year's deadline is June 30. Those who would like coaching or mentoring for the applications should send them in by May 31. All applications must be typed and sent by email to ISC Chair Sheila Hosner at breadpudding@aol.com.

Linda Harris, who has led our club's participation in several projects with the Ekanga-Mbandaka Rotary Club of Congo, is looking for a club



Celebrating 2022-23 Congo agricultural project

member with an interest in Africa to partner with her in preparing a Global Grant application to The Rotary Foundation, for a new project on Obstetric Emergency Training in the Democratic Republic of Congo. If you would like to help, please contact Linda at sealharris2@yahoo.com.

Happy Birthday to Rotarians Born in May (by Judy Lovelace)

Kathy Warnaca	May 1	Carol Butler	May 16
Sally Porter Smith	May 8	Dale Hicklin	May 17
Eric Parsons	May 13	Kirk Laughlin	May 20





April 2024

University District Rotary Club

ROTARIAN OF THE MONTH

Bill Herkes

Bill has been the URSF treasurer for the last three years and he has worked to update the service fund financial procedures and practices to make them more cost-effective. Thank you, Bill, for your work to support the University Rotary Service Fund.



Volunteers Needed for U District Y May 19 (by Rick Jones)

Sunday May 19, 1130am-2pm, UDistrict Y. 4 volunteers required!

We'll make and give out 50 lunches to hungry folks in the UDistrict. Meet at the Y at 1130. Make and bag sandwiches, fruit, and snacks for 50 individual lunches and then pass them out from the Y's front door area. This is the Sunday before the Fundraiser. Many of the frequent volunteers for this service will be doing pre-fundraiser committee work on Sunday. If you haven't joined us in a while, now is a great time to step up. Join us! Go to this address to register as a Y volunteer. https://seattleymca.volunteermatters.org/register. You will have to quickly establish a free YMCA volunteer account, but our relationship with the Y is a long-term one, and the next time you volunteer



Invitation to Rotary Dinner Wednesday, June 5 (by Dave Spicer)

Dear fellow Rotarians:

registration will be automatic.

You are all invited to a special Rotary Dinner set for Wednesday, June 5, from 6-8:30 pm. This event is being hosted by Dave and Marti Spicer at the Clubhouse of their Chambery Condominium in North Seattle. We have limited capacity of 40 people so the first 40 to sign up will be joining us.

Please RSVP as soon as possible to assure your place. President Lisa has graciously agreed to cover the costs of the food and beverages through her Discretionary Budget so no need to bring anything.

This will be a wonderful evening to get to know each other better and celebrate Rotary. New Rotarians (3 years or less in membership) are encouraged to sign up.

See you soon.

President Lisa and Dave



Dave Weaver Receives Spirit of Rotary Award at April 25 UDRC Event



Dave Weaver receives the UDRC Spirit of Rotary Award. Awarded by Ezra Teshome and received by Dave Weaver with Karen Weaver on April 25,2024. (Photo by Liz Causby-Miles)

UDRC Rotarians at District Learning Symposium April 27



Marilee training future club secretaries

Our club was well represented at the District Learning Symposium, with at least a dozen members attending. Our club Secretary, Marilee Fuller, and club Treasurer, Kirk Laughlin, provided training on those positions at the event.



Kirk conducts club treasurer training

Linda Fukuda at Membership workshop

Rotarians Rally for Earth Day and Recycling Lithium Batteries (by Dave Spicer, excerpts from May 2024 District newsletter)

On Saturday, April 20, 2024, Rotarians from around Puget Sound and RD 5030 celebrated Earth Day (the first Earth Day was in 1970). Since November 2023, several Rotarians (including Dave Spicer and Sally Porter Smith) have been meeting as part of the Task Force to make Saturday, April 20, a significant day for collecting lithium and alkaline batteries and diverting them from the garbage heap...

In April 2023, District 5030 and lead club Bellevue Rotary launched the first Districtwide Rotary lithium battery recycling campaign. Since 2022, Rotary clubs in the United States have collaborated with **Redwood Materials**, the first U.S.-based battery



recycling plant to host collection drives, yielding tens of thousands of pounds of cell phones, laptops, power drills, and other rechargeable electronics.

This year, the RD 5030 Environmental Sustainability Committee sought to build on last year's success and significantly broadened the geographical reach of Rotary and our recycling campaign.



Foodies Meet for Kentucky Derby

The food was Southern, the drinks were mint juleps, and Mystic Dan won the race. Jim Rechtien won a prize for the best hat worn by a man and Paula Williams won for the best women's hat. Attendees included Lisa Edwards, Linda Fukuda, Judy Lovelace, Asha Iovin, Brenda Dimond, Linda Harris, Paula Williams, past DG Kae Peterson, Angie Jimenez, Paula Laschober, Dale Hicklin, Jean Moran, Doug and Ellen Frick, and Jim and Mary Ann Rechtien. Dale Hicklin conducted a Derby trivia contest, with a bottle of wine won by Kae Peterson.

The gathering to watch the Kentucky Derby occurred on Saturday, May 4 at the home of current club Prez Lisa Edwards.





Rotarians Prepare Ronald McDonald House Dinners (by Carol Butler)

On Friday, May 3, UDRC Rotarians gathered at Ronald McDonald House to prepare and pack dinners for residents of Ronald McDonald House.

Participants were Marilee Fuller, Terry Cicero, Kathy Warnaca, Judy Lovelace, Angie Jimenez, Douglas Frick, Carol Butler and John Rosenberg.

Son Michael Pham leads this program but was unable to attend last Friday.



Thank You From Ronald McDonald House

Hello Marilee, Terry, Kathy, Carol, Judy, Angie, John, and Douglas,

Thank you for a wonderful afternoon shared in the kitchen. Lori and I enjoyed getting to know and working alongside you all.

You did a great job dicing all those potatoes and mashing them in the pans with mountains of butter and cream cheese. The gravy was silky smooth, the corn was perfectly blanched, and the oranges were so fresh and bright. You came together to portion everything equally and made sure that all the meal boxes were full and looked beautiful. The KFC bowls were a huge hit with the families as all were gone by the morning. Nice Job.

Thank you for the continued support The University District Rotary Club provides for the house and the families staying here. It means the world and we could not have done it without your help.

Gratefully,

Dylan, Lori, Marla, and the staff and families of The Ronald McDonald House



Dylan Carson, **Kitchen Coordinator** | **Ronald McDonald House Charities of W.WA & Alaska**We offer the comforts of home and support services to families of seriously ill children near the medical care they need.





ROTARY MISSION The 33rd HumaniTour Viet Nam October 17-28, 2024













A combination of 'humanitarianism' and 'tourism', the Rotary HumaniTour offers a unique opportunity to go on a vacation and change lives. Started in 2001, the HumaniTour is a project of Kids Without Borders (KWB).

About ...

- The 33rd mission: 10 nights in Viet Nam with stops in Hanoi, Hai Phong, Ha Long, Danang/Hoi An and Saigon.
- Opportunities: experience the beauty of the country and people of VN, and connect with Viet Nam Rotary and Rotaract Clubs. Visit ongoing Rotary supported projects.
- Kids Without Borders: an all-volunteer international non-governmental organization based in Sammamish, WA. Over the last 20+ years, KWB has partnered with Rotarians & Rotary clubs in projects in Viet Nam.

Limited space. For information and trip reservation: Son Michael Pham, Rotary Club of the University District Seattle (206) 484-4830 sonmichael.kwb@gmail.com













Scholarship Chairs Attend UW Event

(by Linda Fukuda, this year's co-chair, with Tony Ives)

On 4/29/24, George Mauer (next year's Scholarship Committee co-chair) and I went to an event discussing the future of higher education ... on the right is the associate director of the UW Continuum College which is in charge of the UW Certificate programs that we give our scholarships to).

More information on our club's UW scholarship program: Rotary Scholarship - UW Professional & Continuing Education - UW Professional & Continuing Education









Upcoming Club Activities and Deadlines

- May 13 4:00 pm. Club Board meeting. Contact: Lisa Edwards at lisasimoneedwards@outlook.com.
- May 18-19 U District Street Fair. Needed: 16 Rotarians for 2-hour shifts, 1-2 info booths. Contact Rick Jones at 206.284.1888 or threepointoh@comcast.net.
- May 19 11:30-2:00. University Family YMCA Community Meal Program. Volunteer signup required. Contact Rick Jones at threepointoh@comcast.net. Four Rotarians needed to prepare 50 grab n go lunches.
- May 25-29 2024 Rotary International Convention, Singapore. Info and registration: Convention (rotary.org).
- May 31 ISC applications due for applicants who want coaching or mentoring for the application. Send them to ISC Chair Sheila Hosner at breadpudding@aol.com, with your request.
- June 3 5:30 pm. Service Fund Board meeting. Contact: Paula Laschober at paulalaschober@gmail.com.
- June 5 6:00-8:30. Social/dinner to get to know our newer members better. Hosted by Dave and Marti Spicer at the Clubhouse of their Chambery Condominium in North Seattle. Capacity limit: 40. Contact Dave: dspicer@davespicerlaw.com.
- June 10 4:00 pm. Club Board meeting. Contact: Lisa Edwards at lisasimoneedwards@outlook.com.
- **June 28** 12:00-1:30 pm. A celebration of the 23/24 Rotary year successes.
- **June 30** ISC applications, for funding for international projects, are due in typed form to ISC Chair Sheila Hosner at breadpudding@aol.com.
- **Sept 11-14** Rotary Zone Institute (Zones 26 and 27) in Spokane. More info and the link for registration can be found at: Zones 26 & 27 Rotary Institute | (zoneinstitute.org). All Rotarians are invited.
- Oct 17-28 Join 33nd Rotary HumaniTour to Viet Nam. Contact/reserve: Son Michael Pham at 206-484-4830 or sonmichael.kwb@gmail.com.

Please Donate to The Rotary Foundation by Mid-June!

The mission of The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. Donate at:



https://www.rotary.org/en/donate. You can make a one-time donation or you can try Direct Giving. Direct Giving is when you allow the Foundation to debit your credit card (monthly, quarterly, or annually) at a set dollar amount. For example, at \$85/month, you'd become a Paul Harris Fellow by the end of one year! Just click on "Recurring Giving."

Request from Reese Reddemann (UDRC Public Image Intern)

I need content for promotion of the club. At any event, please take vertical videos (while holding your phone upright).

I have found that iphones work best but I can work with video from Android phones as well. Short videos of people talking, working together and smiling/laughing and actually doing something (for example: Ushering at the Husky Game, making sandwiches, assembling hygiene kits, and clearing invasive plants) will help me tremendously. Pictures are also great but 10-15 second short videos have more impact.



Please send them to me at reese.reddemann@gmail.com. Thank you!

The Foundation of the Rotary Club of the University District is called "University Rotary Service Fund." It is a charitable organization with a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status. The Service Fund's EIN, or tax ID, is 91-1123239.