Welcome to Child and Maternal Health Month,

I am currently reading John Grisham’s book, Sooley, about a South Sudanese high school student who was drafted to play basketball in the US. While in the US, his hometown was destroyed by a civil war and his surviving family members were forced to go live in a refugee camp, where day to day life was a struggle to just kept fed, hydrated and alive amid disease and further violence. Does this sound familiar in our current day with the tragedies in the Ukraine?

Once again, our district, as well as Rotary districts around the world, have joined together to pour funding into Rotary International so that grants can be awarded to Rotary Clubs all around Ukraine’s neighboring countries to feed, hydrate, clothe and care for the millions of refugees.

Where does all this compassion come from? How do Rotarians join together day after day, year after year, to breathe in suffering and breathe out compassion to help improve the health and lives of mothers and their children at home and around the world? Rotary International President Elect Jennifer Jones shared insight about her upcoming year’s theme, Imagine Rotary. Here is a portion of her comments: “The most powerful thing for a member is to be able to say, "I have an idea." And then to share that with others and to amplify it and figure out where to go with it.”

Consider for a moment all of the amazing work done by ideas starting from of our own district’s member(s) impacting child and maternal health around the world. Here are just a few amazing examples to consider:

- Norm Hillis, a member of the Rotary Club of University District, urged his fellow club members in 1982 to find a way to help feed hungry people in the community. 40 years later, Harvest against Hunger has helped, bringing millions of pounds of unused crop from Eastern Washington to feed our community, allowing families to have fresh fruits and produce in their diets.

- Suzanne Griffin, a brilliant PhD, lived for years in Afghanistan to help the country build schools for girls, a previously impossible project to have been accomplished.

- Ezra Teshome brought many groups of fellow Rotarians to Ethiopia to participate in countless polio immunizations, offering longer and healthier lives to many children in Ethiopia.

- Brian Gower and Kim Lorenz work tirelessly with Rotary and World Vision to bring clean water to many third world countries, ending death from malnutrition, dehydration and other diseases from polluted waters.

- Virginia McKenzie took her deep rooted passion that started from listening to a Rotary meeting speaker and found others to join her and create the PNW Rotary Club to End Sex Trafficking. Imagine (!) the many lives that will be enriched by the work done by this club.

Let’s continue to imagine how we can continue to BREATHE IN SUFFERING and BREATHE OUT COMASSION to improve child and maternal health here at home and around the world!!

Let’s work together as we Serve to Change Lives!

Yours in Rotary,

Howard
Get ready... get set... the Festival of Training is coming to a computer near you!! This year the Festival of Training is going to focus on “Back to Basics”. It will focus on training for club officers and committee chairs. Kick off will be May 3rd and will run through the 26th. Two sessions each night every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. The sessions will run 5:00 - 6:00 pm and 6:30 -7:30 pm.

Please encourage your club officers and committee chairs to check the schedule and sign up for the classes that will support them in achieving great success in the upcoming Rotary year. Registration will open in mid-April, and you can sign up using DACdb. It is easy and fast plus DACdb will send you reminders and the link the day of the class to log in!!

Looking forward to seeing everyone there. This will be an awesome Festival of Training as we all get ready for a historic year with Rotary Internations first woman president, Jennifer Jones. She has asked us to “Imagine Rotary” let’s start with all being a part of the Festival of Training!!

**ROTARY DISTRICT 5030 FESTIVAL OF TRAINING**

Workshops are held the month of May. Open to all Rotarians! [Click on the title to learn more and to register.]

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When conflict arises and families are caught in the crossfire, how does ShelterBox help ensure that they have the tools to not just survive, but recover?

Tune in on Wednesday, April 20th as we take you to the frontlines of two of the largest humanitarian crises of our time: Ukraine and Yemen, for an in-depth look at what it takes to deliver shelter and essential supplies to people displaced by conflict.

Hosted by ShelterBox USA President Kerri Murray, you'll hear a first-person account from our Emergency Response Coordinator Martin Strutton, who has been on the ground in Eastern Europe since the Ukraine crisis began. You'll also receive an exclusive briefing on the responses we have underway in both Ukraine and Yemen. Register today: https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/?778330469648424270

To donate to ShelterBox Ukraine, go to https://www.shelterboxusa.org/ukraine-crisis-appeal/

Strength in times of crisis in Ukraine

Past and current conflicts have had a significant impact on Rotary in Ukraine. Yet amid this turmoil, Ukrainian Rotary members continue to demonstrate resilience and an unwavering commitment to peace. The Rotary magazine for Germany and Austria compiled a report on Rotary’s growth in Ukraine over the past decade that serves as a backdrop to current efforts to respond to the unfolding humanitarian crisis. Read more about Rotary in Ukraine, and get the latest information on relief efforts.

Malaria Day on April 25 spotlights a disease that has plagued humans throughout history. In 2019, cases of malaria topped 229 million and caused the death of over 400,000 people, most of them children under the age of five. The prevalence of malaria, especially in sub-Saharan Africa, also is a major obstacle to economic advancement and improved living conditions for the rural poor.

Rotary International, The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, and World Vision are hard at work implementing Rotary’s first Program of Scale, Partners for a Malaria Free Zambia. This $6 million grant is training over 2,500 community health workers to diagnose and treat active malaria cases in their home villages. This is reducing the malaria burden, saving lives, and strengthening the health care system.

Rotarians also are working with governments and private sector partners in West Africa, Uganda, South America, and the Pacific Rim to eliminate malaria, a disease that is both treatable and preventable. Someday soon, we hope that vaccines currently in development will be widely available to help in the fight.

This year, take World Malaria Day personally. Contact Malaria Partners International. Get involved. Be informed. Take action. Together we can beat malaria.

All contributions to Rotary’s Disaster Response Fund, through 30 April 2022, will be used to support relief and recovery efforts in Ukraine and surrounding areas. Rotary districts that have been affected by the Ukraine crisis will receive priority access to Disaster Response Grants until 30 June 2022.

The current decision specifically provides that Rotarians in Rotary Districts in (1) Hungary, (2) Poland, (3) Ukraine/Belarus (they are one district), (4) Czech Republic and Slovakia, and (5) Republic of Moldova and Romania are eligible for a Disaster Response Grant of $50,000 until 30 June 2022. When one grant is completed, another grant can be requested, to mobilize donations as soon as possible to make the most difference.

In summary, donations go to Rotary’s Disaster Response Fund, and grants are made to Rotary members in the field. This channel of support gives donors the greatest assurance that contributions are going to help those most in need.

Disaster Response Grants may be used to provide basic items such as water, food, medicine, and clothing and for providing immediate aid to support refugees of this crisis.

If you would like to help, please click HERE to donate to the Disaster Response Fund.
Partners for Work: An Official Project of Rotary District 5030

Partners for Work is about Rotarians hiring people with developmental disabilities and calling on business partners to do the same.

The biggest challenge for people with disabilities is a lack of opportunity for employment. Here are examples of how two young men are working because a Rotarian’s company hired them.

Jeremy has worked for Quality Fence in Auburn for over two years. Initially, Rotarian Mickey Kimmerle believed the yard and shop were too hazardous for an employee with intellectual challenges. Jeremy proved otherwise. In fact, he has made the yard safer and saved money and time loss by keeping the yard free of debris that can puncture a tire.

"Keeping the yard clean from debris saves us a lot of time and money. Jeremy also puts bolts on screws, a task that the builders used to do in the field. They go through up to 100,000 per year. Jeremy is a huge time saver." - Mickey Kimmerle, GM, Quality Fence

"Jeremy is a self-starter. He knows his chores and stays busy." - Matt McCurdy, President, Quality Fence

"I do everything around here. I keep everyone safe from flat tires." - Jeremy Robinson

Callahan was hired at the Bellevue Rotary Club as their Greeter while still in school. Rotarian Adam Pinsky, CFO at Bayley Construction, witnessed Callahan’s work ethic and skills at each club meeting and envisioned how Callahan’s competencies and personality could be a benefit to Bayley Construction.

Pinsky shared, "Callahan started out doing filing for us. We have since eliminated physical filing and now he preps and scans documents. He is very focused when he works and is very thorough. He is quiet and works efficiently, is always on-time and is very reliable. He’s a pleasure to have on the Bayley team!"

"I like the people; I like scanning documents and I’ve been here almost a year!” - Callahan O’Conner

In addition to Callahan, Adam hired two individuals at his previous employer through Partners for Work! Because Adam has referred other businesses to Partners for Work, several other job seekers have achieved gainful employment. This is how Rotarians can make a difference!

Special thanks to these 28 Rotary Clubs for their ongoing support of Partners for Work:

- Alderwood Terrace
- Auburn
- Ballard
- Bellevue
- Bellevue Breakfast
- Bellevue Eastside
- Bellevue Sunrise
- Burien-White Center
- Covington
- Des Moines Normandy Park
- Emerald City
- Enumclaw
- Federal Way
- International District
- Issaquah
- Kent
- Kent Sunrise
- Lake Union
- Lynnwood
- Maple Valley
- Mercer Island
- Northshore
- Sammamish
- Seattle Northeast
- Snoqualmie Valley
- University District
- West Seattle
- Woodinville

How clubs can get involved:

- Host a mock interview session
- Hire a Rotary Club Greeter
- Host Informational interviews at your businesses
- Post job seeker bios in your newsletter
- Have a job seeker attend your meeting to share their resume or play a video resume at your meeting
- Host job seeker tours of your members’ businesses
- Hire an intern

For more information or to schedule a speaker, contact: Debbie Moore, PFW Coordinator debbie@gowise.org
206-321-1134
The Rotary District 5030 Environmental Sustainability Committee and the Environmental Rotary Club of Puget Sound are proud to offer a volunteer opportunity to improve the land near the Duwamish River. This river is the largest river in Seattle and one of the most polluted sites in all of Washington State.

We will work with the Duwamish River Community Coalition, a local nonprofit, to remove invasive species and plant native trees and shrubs in its place.

Lunch will be provided. Our special guest, James Rasmussen will join us over lunch. He is the Duwamish River Community Coalition Superfund Manager and member of the Duwamish Tribe. James will share some of the history of the Duwamish people and their legacy and an update on the Superfund efforts. The Duwamish people have lived on this land for several thousand years.

If you cannot attend on April 16, you are welcome to donate money for the trees and shrubs that will replace the invasive species we pull up.

There is a [volunteer information and sign up page here](#).

**LOCATION:** Duwamish Hill Preserve, 3800 S 115th ST, Tukwila, WA 98188

An email will be sent to all volunteers on April 13 regarding specific directions and recommendations where to park. **Please note that parking is very limited so please carpool.** Bring work clothes and gloves. Tools will be provided.

If any questions, contact Dave Spicer of University District Rotary [dspicer@davespicerlaw.com](mailto:dspicer@davespicerlaw.com) and 206-229-7568 or Kimberly Peterson, President of Environmental Rotary Club of Puget Sound [kimberlykae@gmail.com](mailto:kimberlykae@gmail.com)

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**Covington Rotary Club Ukraine Efforts**

Patrick Rowe, iPast President of Covington Rotary writes:

Prior to the war, the Covington Rotary was supporting a Ukrainian orphanage that was founded by the family of one of our members, Natalya Harris. Natalya is originally from Ukraine and much of her family remains there. Our club has donated probably around $10,000 total over the past few years. This past month, the $2K that we had allotted for the Ukrainian orphanage was used to evacuate about 60 orphans to Poland. Immediately after that, we approved another $2K for evacuating another 100 orphans out of Ukraine.

Now we have identified another project wherein a number of local Ukrainians have gathered approximately 30 tons of medical supplies for shipment. We are just now identifying ways to ship this material. At some point soon, we will be likely be involved with raising money to help fund this shipment.

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**Our Newest Cause Based Rotary Club is Forming Now**

Do you know anyone interested in supporting Veterans?

Potential members can be Veterans; family and/or friends of Veterans or supporters of Veterans.

For further information, please email Rotarian Bill MacCully at [billmaccully@gmail.com](mailto:billmaccully@gmail.com).
All Trails Lead to Salt Lake City, Home of the 2022 Rotary Zones 26/27 Institute

You can now reserve your room at the Institute venue, the all-new Hyatt Regency Salt Lake City! This fabulous new hotel will feature technology-forward conveniences with modern craftsmanship and design. Rotary members wishing to make their reservations now are able to call 1-888-591-1234 to reserve a room. Ask for the Rotary International rate or use promo code G-ROTA in order to receive our special group rates. Get an early jump and lock-in your room today! [https://registrations.dacdb.com/Register/index.cfm?](https://registrations.dacdb.com/Register/index.cfm?)

Attend a People of Action Summit

An Exciting New Initiative in Zones 26/27

Zones 26/27 is hosting a series of five People of Action Summits across the Big West on a variety of subjects. The People of Action Summits will provide an in-person and virtual opportunity for Rotary members to join forces with community members and industry experts to tackle some of the biggest challenges we face. It’s all about individuals identifying issues, solving problems and making a difference. LEARN MORE AND RESERVE AT [https://rotarysummits.com/](https://rotarysummits.com/)

The five People of Action Summits™ happening across the West are listed below. Click on the blue to learn more, click on green to register.

- **People of Action Summit: Food Security**
  Boise, ID – July 30, 2022
  LEARN MORE REGISTER TODAY

- **People of Action Summit: Green Transportation and Clean Energy**
  San Jose, CA – September 10, 2022
  LEARN MORE REGISTER TODAY

- **People of Action Summit: Water: From Source to Sea**
  Newport Beach, CA – September 10, 2022
  LEARN MORE REGISTER TODAY

- **People of Action Summit: Healthy Soils**
  Fort Collins, CO (Virtual) – September 10, 2022
  LEARN MORE REGISTER TODAY

- **People of Action Summit: Stop Human Trafficking**
  San Diego, CA – October 1, 2022
  LEARN MORE REGISTER TODAY

2022 Rotary International Convention!

Join Rotarians from around District 5030 and across the globe in Houston! Register here: [https://convention.rotary.org/en/houston/register](https://convention.rotary.org/en/houston/register)

While in Houston, start your day on June 7th at the “Big West Breakfast” with fellow Rotarians from the western U.S. More info and registration for the breakfast coming soon!

Join District Governor Howard, Governor-elect Kae, Governor Nominee Kaj and Past District Governors Cathy Gibson and Bill McElroy for a District 5030 House Party on June 5th in the Montrose neighborhood.
Need a Speaker for Your Club?

Andrea Suarez is the Executive Director of We Heart Seattle. In the fall of 2020, she had an epiphany: The best way to improve the sorry state of Seattle's parks and public spaces was to roll up her sleeves, pick up a trash bag, and harness the "power of one." This has grown into a grassroots movement (and now a not-for-profit organization) that has:

- Removed 450,000 pounds of trash
- Disposed 10,000 needles
- Referred 83 people to housing
- Engaged over 4,000 volunteer hours

For more information, see the Facebook Group "We Heart Seattle" and contact Andrea at Andrea@weheartseattle.org to have her speak at your club.

Website: https://weheartseattle.org

Upcoming Speaker

Tues. April 19 at 12:15 pm

The Mercer Island Rotary Club in Honor of Earth Day.

Anna Swenson of "Recompose" - The world's first human composting funeral home. A "green" burial option.

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4096976967

"The Future is Inclusive"

Enjoy this interview with Dr. Todd "Bowtie" Jenkins in the March 2022 issue of The Rotary Magazine: https://rotary.org/en/the-future-is-inclusive?fbclid=IwAR1dasGQuGRwg5Z_0wK_dfq98C-zC7CHRY0zNdWGD7wN37oduidGHme-2rg

Todd was a keynote speaker at the first District 5030 “Race Matters to Rotary” forum in November 2020.

GLOBAL CLIMATE Pledge

Rotarians in 87 countries have taken the Global Climate Pledge! District 5030 is one of 6 Rotary districts to make the Pledge!

Recently our District Environmental/Sustainability Committee was contacted by members of the Newport Beach Rotary Club, one of the early Global Climate Pledge champions. These Rotarians wanted to talk with us because they were so impressed by the number of District 5030 Rotarians taking the Global Climate Pledge! They were in awe of our District’s enthusiastic response.

Erv DeSmet, the District 5030 Environmental/Sustainability Committee Chair came away from his Zoom call with the Newport Beach Rotarians with a great sense of satisfaction for how every level of District 5030 - from the District Governor to every Rotary Club member - has taken part in this call to action.

So, to all of you who have taken the Global Climate Pledge, a big thank you!!! You were most assuredly noticed by the organizers of the Pledge.

To those of you who have not yet taken the Pledge, please consider doing so today: https://www.globalclimatepledge.com/individual-pledge/
Antigua Sewing Program

Under the global grant with Bellevue Breakfast Rotary Club, the Kirkland Downtown Rotary Club (RCKD) has been involved with setting up sewing centers on the island of Antigua since 2008.

This year, we implemented a sewing center in a Sickle Cell Day Center. We also started another sewing center in a different area of the island, and met the Prime Minister. He was very impressed with the entire project and the program’s success. Member of Parliament for the area, Charles Fernandez stated, “There is no barrier when it comes to the empowerment, development and providing safe spaces for any community. The possibility of a sewing center will provide a transitional skillset which can only be of a great benefit to all involved. Rest assured of my continued support and commitment.”

The students in the classes at the Center have developed an employable skillset, improved self-esteem, and increased their sense of worth and community. This program has trained several hundred people to sew their way to a self-sufficient life for themselves and their families.

RCKD – Shoe4Africa Update!

The Rotary Club of Kirkland Downtown (RCKD) continues its support of a 2 acres Shoe4Africa Hass Avocado farm in Kenya. Within the first year, the farm has begun to realize its objectives: 1) Empower women through employment; 2) Educate the community and schools as a model avocado farm; and 3) Create a beautiful safe place for domestic violence survivors to freely express themselves and support each other.

Our contact at the farm, Chelimo, was recently quoted, “My heart is at your farm. Toby will often tell me when I am low, to look at pictures of the avocados. The orchard never fails to cheer me up. I truly hope all of you at RCKD feel the same about what you have done for us.” And Toby, CEO/Founder of Shoe4Africa, followed up by adding, “Creating opportunities for these ladies to provide food for their children, education, and dignity; it is a priceless investment. Thank you!”

Shoe4Africa is a nonprofit organization with a mission to improve young lives and reduce poverty through public health and education awareness. For more information: https://shoe4africa.org/

Improving Education Through Technology

~ John Martinka, Bellevue Breakfast Rotary

February 2022 - Rotary CEO John Hewko highlighted our project and our trainer, Ms. Mako Williams, in his address at the International Assembly to the incoming District Governors. The focus of his remarks was not about what Rotary can do, but how partnerships with non-Rotarians and government agencies can do even more. He emphasized how what we do can be measured for impact. What have we done? From 2008-2022 we have done 12 Global Grant (and a couple non-grant) projects with the RC of Antigua, West Indies providing:

- 6,000+ computers.
- 60+ networked computer labs.
- Wi-Fi networks in over 30+ schools.
- Trained hundreds of teachers on how to reach students more effectively with technology. (FYI, Ms. Williams has a master’s degree from Columbia University in using technology to improve education, making her a perfect fit for our project.)

What started in 2005 with the Bellevue Breakfast Rotary Club, in conjunction with the Cisco Networking program at Newport High School, shipping to and setting up 120 computers in Slovakia has grown to the above.

The benefits we’ve provided Antigua include:

- Over 25,000 students having access to technology at school.
- Improved test scores.
- “Forcing” the government to accelerate providing high-speed Internet to the primary schools.
- Teachers excited to be trained (not easy in the Caribbean).

Additionally, over 150 Bellevue students have benefited from helping on this project, used their participation for college essays, and received scholarships because of their involvement.

Our education focus has also helped setup eight sewing centers around the island in conjunction with the RC of Kirkland Downtown. Ladies in the classes have developed skills (including being hired to sew), improved self-esteem, and increased their sense of community.

If you’d like to learn more and be part of our next project email john@johnmartinka.com.
They say April showers bring May flowers, but did you know your April blood donation could bring someone’s May remission, recovery, or cure? Help ensure patients have the blood they need by scheduling your next donation today.

Right now, our community needs new and consistent platelet donors and Bloodworks would love to see if you are a match for local patients in need. If you’ve never donated platelets before, Bloodworks Blood Collection Specialists will educate you further about the process and draw a platelet count sample at your next whole blood donation to see if you are a good fit. Bloodworks specialists will take the sample from your donation, so there won’t be any extra needles. After they get the results, they’ll contact you to inform you of the results and schedule your first platelet donation. Book Your Next Donation and Request a Platelet Count!

Did You Know? Bloodworks provides platelets to our community hospitals through a donation process called apheresis. Platelets last 5-7 days, so there is always a need for continuous platelet donations!

Thank you, new donors! We hope it was a great experience for you. You can donate whole blood every 56 days, so we hope to see you again!

Can't attend in person? Catch the livestream by CLICKING HERE!
Music Mends Minds is a D5030 Project

Your Impact is Huge:
March Results:
51 Donors
7 First Time Donors

You helped us meet our goal!
All In For Autism:
Join the Bellevue Breakfast Rotary Club Sunday, April 24th for the All in for Autism 10K, 5K, Family Fun Run. This will be an in-person and virtual event, so you can doityourway. Watch the video to learn more or go to allinforautism.org to sign-up to run/walk or volunteer.
University Sunrise Rotary Big Taste

On March 26th over 400 people came together to support University Sunrise Rotary and Outdoors for All at Hangar 30 in Magnuson Park. Over 30 distillers, brewers and winemakers showed up to give all participants tastes of their libations. Carolina Smoke BBQ was there to provide food and the Ranken File Band played great music all night. A great time was had by all. Money was raised to support individuals with physical and mental disabilities participate in outdoor activities.

This busy club also prepared another meal for Teen Feed. But this time, since the date with Teen Feed was March 17th, they combined it with a social event: a St. Patrick’s Day dinner of corned beef and cabbage. A fun time was had by all with the perfect combination of both service and social.

Watch Howard Cohen talk about the IMPACT of building tiny homes.

FIUTS Needs Our Help on 4/21!

FIUTS - Foundation for International Understanding Through Students. Join Marilee Fuller and Susan Sola from University District Rotary, to support FIUTS on 4/21 at the Blue Marble Bash fundraiser!

University District Rotary has had a long history of collaboration with FIUTS, the non-profit that supports international students at the UW by welcoming them, finding local hosts and housing, connecting them to the community and solving all sorts of problems. Over the years University District Rotary has sponsored FIUTS welcoming cruises, hosted students in our homes and participated in picnics, educational events, etc.

Now FIUTS has lost its UW orientation program contract and office space (contact Era Schrepfer at era@fiuts.org with ideas for another site!) and must search for alternative funding. Let’s help them! For further info, contact Samantha Novak samantha@fiuts.org at FIUTS. https://www.fiuts.org/
Rotary District 5030 Selfie Competition

The rules are simple:
- Take a selfie of doing something that serves your community.
- Post it to our Rotarians of District 5030 Facebook page.
- The deadline is June 1st.
- Winner is the selfie with the most likes or comments.
- Winner will be announced in our June District Newsletter.
- Prize: 2 tickets to our District Year-end Event on June 27th. (value $200)

Click here to reach D5030 Facebook Page

Need some coaching on how to take a selfie? Click this link, but beware… humor is intended: https://www.dropbox.com/s/b3uehknob4x0x71/Selfie.mp4?dl=0

Online District 5030 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Guide Now Live

The District 5030 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee has completed work on District 5030’s new online DEI Resource Guide to assist you in your exploration of issues related to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, both from your computer https://www.rotarydistrict5030dei.org/dei-resource-guide and your smartphone. The Guide currently has over 300 resources including Videos, Ted Talks, Books, Opinion Pieces, Websites and more. And it is searchable.

You can search by the type of resource, your level of study, the general subject area, and the specific topic that interests you. When you find a resource of interest, a link will take you directly to that resource. We will be adding DEI related resources to the Guide on a regular basis. You can send suggestions to stankehl@outlook.com.

Warning. You may find exploring the Guide addicting. You may want to read or view in depth (or even purchase where necessary) resources you find.

Coming Soon: The District DEI Committee is developing our District 5030 DEI Hub which will contain all sorts of great information about District DEI activities and materials. It’s currently in draft form and we will let you know when it is live.

New members from different groups in our communities bring fresh perspectives and ideas to our clubs and expand Rotary’s presence. Invite prospective members from all backgrounds to experience Rotary.
New Members: Mar 1 - Mar 31

**Alderwood-Terrace**
Ruth Cassidy

**Duvall**
Gaylen Sauve
William Chappell

**Issaquah**
Claudia Stritmatter
Ryan Clark

**Kirkland**
Christine Bell

**Lynnwood**
Katie Leone

**Seattle #4**
Seema Balwani

**PNW ending Sex Trafficking**
Katelyn Kulaga

**Sea-Tac Tukwila**
Katrina Dohn
Kim Parks
Jay Wittwer
James Booth
Sammie Le
Jake Simpson
Therese Tipton

**Snoqualmie Valley**
Jessica Garrett
Rebecca Deming

**University District**
Susanne Griffin
Larry Symonds

**Vashon Island**
Rondi Lightmark

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**Save the Date**

**Rotary District 5030**

Monday, June 27th @ Newcastle Golf Club

*District Governor Howard Cohen Invites to a Year-end Celebration Dinner*

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**Thank You for Your Service**

**Admiral Thomas Hayward**
5/3/1924 - 3/3/2022
Seattle 4 Rotary
Former Chief of Navel Operations

**Bob Wilson, PDG**
1/25/1933 - 3/19/2022
Lynnwood Rotary
District Governor 2001-2002
PHF, PH Society, Benefactor
Bequest Society, Major Donor

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