

**Club
Meeting
Time and
Place**

Pullman
Zeppoz on the
first and third
Wednesday of
each month
Wednesday at
12:00 PM

Speakers

**March 06,
2024**

Club Day

**March 20,
2024**

Jennifer
Wallace,
Palouse Habitat
for Humanity

Together We Connect!



Message from the President

Presidents Message â€” March 2024

Hello, Rotarians (and future Rotarians) -

As we step into March, a month dedicated to clean water and sanitation, I am reminded of the profound impact our collective efforts can have on the world. It's an opportune time to reflect on our ongoing projects, our ambitions, and the collaborative spirit that drives the Rotary Club of Pullman.

This month, we focus on a cause that resonates deeply with our commitment to service and community welfare—access to clean water and sanitation. Our club's initiative to fundraise for the replacement of the water fountains with upgraded, ADA-accessible units at Pullman City Playfields is a testament to our dedication to enhancing local infrastructure and ensuring our community's health and well-being. This project, though local in scope, embodies the global Rotary mission to provide clean water and sanitation to all.

In other exciting news, we are continuing our conversation with the Rotary Club of Nairobi-Lang'ata to partner on the Digital Literacy Project in underserved communities in Kenya. This international collaboration not only broadens our impact but also underscores the interconnectedness of our Rotary goals.

As Pullman Rotary focuses on these endeavors, it's imperative to remember that the success of such projects relies on the active participation of each club member. To undertake larger-

scale, meaningful,
and long-lasting projects, we need more than the dedication of a few members. We
need the whole club
to come together â€” reading emails to stay informed, attending meetings,
contributing to discussions,
and actively serving on committees and in leadership roles.

Looking ahead, I urge each of you to envision where we want our club to be at the
start of the Rotary
Year '24- '25, as well as looking beyond to RY â€™25-â€™26. The aspirations we have
for our club and the
impact we wish to make must be planned for now. This forward-thinking approach is
not just about
setting goals but about laying the groundwork for tangible, recognizable achievements
that epitomize
Rotary's success.

The importance of planning cannot be overstated. It is the blueprint for our actions,
the foundation
upon which we build our projects, and the path that leads us to our objectives. As
Rotarians, we are not
just dreamers but doers. Our plans today pave the way for the success of tomorrow.
Let's harness the spirit of collaboration, service, and foresight this March. Together, we
can achieve
remarkable feats in Pullman, on the Palouse, and beyond, reinforcing the legacy of the
Rotary Club of
Pullman as a beacon of positive change in our community and region.

Horns up! \m/, as we say in the Rotarian Metalhead Fellowship!
(www.metalheadfellowship.org)

Yours in Rotary Service,
Eric Hollenbeck
President, Rotary Club of Pullman



Rotary Club of Pullman President Eric Hollenbeck
and Rotary International Immediate Past President
Jennifer Jones, â€œthrow up the hornsâ€ for the Rotarian
Metalhead Fellowship in between sessions at last
monthâ€™s Pacific Northwest President-Elect
Training Seminar (PNW-PETS) in SeaTac,
Washington.





Example of the water fountain/hydration station planned for installation at the Pullman City Playfields. Photo taken in summer 2023 at East City Park in Moscow, Idaho and mocked-up with Rotary International branding.

Making a Difference in Our Community



We are thrilled to announce that our Rotary Club of Pullman has recently extended a helping hand to several local groups in need of financial support. Through our ongoing commitment to service, the club board voted to allocate funds to three local organizations dedicated to elevating our community. The following are the groups and donation amount.

- Whitman County Habitat for Humanity- \$250
- Pullman Chamber of Commerce- \$250
- Whitman County Distinguished Young Women- \$200 (scholastic award)

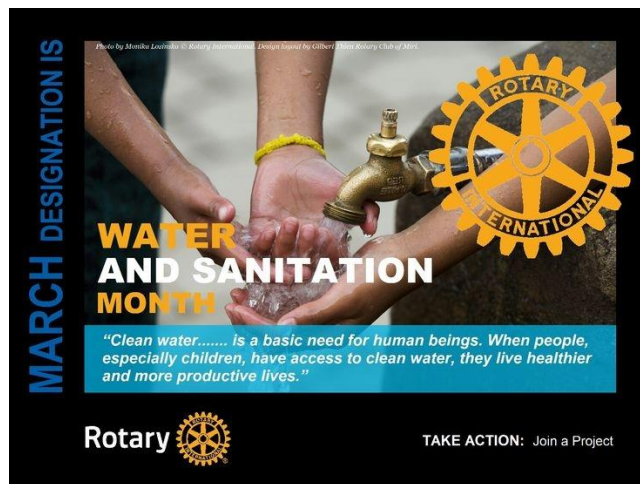
These contributions not only showcase the spirit of Rotary but also the collective dedication to making a meaningful impact on the lives of our community and neighbors. As we continue to work together, let us take pride in knowing that the Rotary Club of Pullman's efforts are creating tangible benefits and fostering a brighter future for all. Thank you to everyone who contributed to these endeavors, and let us remain steadfast in our mission to serve others selflessly.

Upcoming Events



March

Water and Sanitation Month



Irv Field Grand Project (Feb 1- Mar 31, 2024)

Open Feb 1- Mar 31. The Rotary Club of Pullman is pleased to announce the 2024 Irving M. Field Grand Project for Community Enhancement. This opportunity is to fund projects or services that improve the Pullman Community. Applications may come from the community at large, such as charitable organizations, schools, city government, individuals or Rotary Club Members. Proposals may be submitted for projects needing up to \$1,500. If you know of any group looking for a grant, please share the application! Press release was on Feb 1, 2024. Application found at [Pullmanrotary.org](https://pullmanrotary.org)

Northwest Cancer Foundation of Hope Bunko Night (Mar 9, 2024)

The Northwest Cancer Foundation, aka NW Hope, is having their annual Bunko Night on Thursday, March 9, 2024. Proceeds provide support to people who have cancer and live in Latah County or Whitman County. NW Hope is in need of many volunteers for set up, take down and during the event. If you would like to sign up to volunteer at the event, please contact Debi or Becky.

Mayor's Grove Clean Up

The Club's annual clean up at Mayor's Grove Park in Pullman will take place on April 20, 2024 from 9am-11am. Bring your landscape tools and join your fellow Rotarians and community members spring clean this park packed full of Pullman history. Come take a look at the Peace Pole which was installed last Mayor's Grove clean up in October '23. The 75th Time Capsule might also be placed as well. More details to come as we get closer!

Rotary Club of Pullman Past Happenings- February

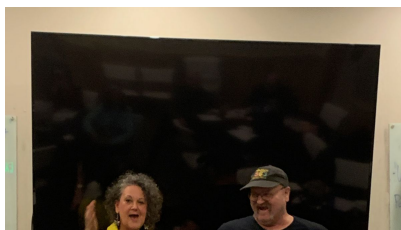
Past Meetings-

February 7: Remembering Gary Schell- Rotary Club of Pullman's own



The community of Pullman lost an amazing person on February 4, 2024. Gary Schell's life paints a vivid picture of a life well-lived, marked by devotion to family, friends, classic cars, and WSU. Gary's legacy of kindness, generosity, mentorship, and community involvement will forever resonate with us. Gary was the Rotary Club of Pullman's Foundation Chair. Please keep the Schell family in your thoughts. Gary's obituary can be found at www.corbeillfuneralhomes.com/obituary/gary-schell

February 21: Erin Columbo, Coordinator of volunteer services, Latah Recovery Center/ Rural Crisis Center & JJ, self described "Director of 1st Impressions"





Volunteer Adventures:

Palouse Discovery Science Center: Feb 25- 28, 2024

Rotarians helped the Palouse Discovery Science Center (PDSC) with their annual deep clean and scheduled maintenance. Rotarians and other community volunteers helped with

- dusting, cleaning baseboards, windows, light fixtures
- painting walls
- sanding and repainting furniture and exhibits
- rehanging art work
- small repairs
- organizing materials

Thanks for all your hard work Rotary Club of Pullman! We helped the PDSC achieve their goals with over 18 hours of Rotarian time!

Making Rotary Simply Irresistible

(By Tom Gump, Aide to the 2024-25 Rotary International President, taken from the online RI newsletter Rotary Voices)

... So what does “simply irresistible” mean in terms of an organization? According to Deloitte’s™ description of “[The Simply Irresistible Organization](#),”™ an irresistible organization has five elements: (i) meaningful work, (ii) supportive management, (iii) a positive work environment, (iv) growth opportunities, and (v) trust in leadership. I truly believe that together, we can make Rotary an irresistible organization if our clubs provide these elements to our members.

“**Meaningful Work**” No one joins a club to... [Read More](#)