

Rotary



Club of Eugene

Welcome to the Rotary Club of Eugene

Rotary is an organization of business and professional leaders united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world. Rotary club membership represents a cross-section of the community's business and professional men and women. The world's Rotary clubs meet weekly and are nonpolitical, nonreligious, and open to all cultures, races, and creeds. [More info.....](#)

Rotary membership provides the opportunity to: Become connected to your community. Work with others in addressing community needs. Interact with other professionals in your community; assist with RI's international humanitarian service efforts. Establish contacts with an international network of professionals. Develop leadership skills. Involve family in promoting service efforts. [More info.....](#)

April 23 Program - 4J Local Option Election



The Eugene School District local option levy is a property tax that provides money for 4J school operations, such as teachers, programs, utilities and other daily operating costs. The levy currently provides about \$17 million per year, equivalent to about 161 teaching positions or 26♦ school days. All levy proceeds stay in the Eugene School District and fund 4J public school operations.

The 4J local option levy has been approved by voters four times, beginning in 2000. The current levy will expire in 2020 if it is not renewed by voters. The Eugene School Board has voted to refer a five-year renewal of the local option levy to the May 2019 election ballot.

If voters approve the levy renewal on May 21, it would continue the local option levy at the same tax rate for another five years, through June 2025. Renewal of the levy would provide funds to maintain school days, school programs, class sizes and other school service levels.

Without this levy, the school district would need to reduce general fund operating costs and services by about 9 percent beginning with the 2020♦21 school year.

Under Oregon law, a local option levy is the only way voters in a school district can provide local property tax funding for teachers, class sizes, school programs and other school operation costs. By contrast, capital bond funds, such as the bond measure approved by 4J voters in 2018, can only be spent on buildings, buses, books and other capital investments.

Voters who live in Eugene School District 4J and are registered to vote by April 30 will be eligible to vote on the levy renewal measure.

April 30 Program - County Courthouse Bond Measure

Join us to learn more about a bond on the May ballot which will help fund a new county courthouse.

The proposed courthouse would be built on the former Eugene City Hall lot and accommodate 18 state-run courtrooms, up from the current 15, as well as the district attorney♦s office, parole and probation, victim services and sheriff♦s office. At 297,000 square feet, the proposed building would be more than double the size of the current county courthouse at Seventh Avenue and Oak Street in downtown Eugene.



The estimated cost of the project is \$252 million. The county is in line to receive \$87.6 million in state funding for the project, pending legislative approval. The county already has received \$6.4 million in state funding for planning work.

(photo credit: Register Guard)

Upcoming Hotel Construction

Club Meeting

Eugene
Meets at Hotel Eugene
(formerly Hilton) (541)
342-2000
6th and Pearl 66 East 6th
Street
Eugene, OR 97401
Time: Tuesday at 12:15 PM

Events

- April 23rd
[Eugene Weekly Meeting](#)
- April 23rd
[Artspark Committee](#)
- April 23rd
[Eugene Rotary Club Board](#)
- April 26th
[Art Spark Eugene](#)
- April 30th
[Eugene Weekly Meeting](#)
- May 7th
[Eugene Weekly Meeting](#)
- May 11th
[Annual Skinner Butte Cleanup](#)
- May 14th
[Eugene Weekly Meeting](#)
- May 15th
[Food for Lane County](#)

Club Leaders



[Albert Poston](#)
President



[Jennifer Geller](#)
President-Elect



[Ronald Terry Gietter](#)
Secretary



[Erik Peter Gribkov](#)
Club Admin Co-Chair
Club Executive Secretary



A message from the Convention Center:

As we gear up to become Graduate Eugene, the hotel will be undergoing many changes that I would like to make you fully aware of so that there are no surprises.

As of February 25th the hotel lobby will start the process to get its face lift, walls will be going up and things will be moving. The lobby bar will move into the conference center lobby on the other side of its current location. The front desk will move from its current location to the north wall of the conference center lobby on the east end. The process is going to be very fast, the remodel will take 12 weeks and will be complete just prior to graduation.

The ground floor meeting space, with the exception of the lobby space taken up by the temporary front desk and bar relocation, will not be affected by the construction.

During the construction, the entrance to the hotel will also be temporarily relocated to the 7th street entrance.

We really appreciate your patience as we go through the changes to become Graduate Eugene. If you would like, I am happy to attend one of your meetings and talk briefly about what to expect for the coming weeks as this email is just to start the process of communication.

Our Club is Growing!

The board has approved the membership application for Dana Fleming, Executive Director of the Eugene Education Foundation. Please contact President Bart if any questions or concerns. Barring any objections, he will be officially welcomed to the club on April 23rd. Please introduce yourself to her at our next meeting!



ArtSpark 2019!!!



ArtSpark! April 26 at the Shedd

Doors open at 6pm

Purchase your tickets today, they are selling fast!

\$100 per person, online or at Rotary

Great dinner, silent & oral auction featuring youth & professional artists

Wine, dessert dash and comradery! Don't miss the fun.

Desserts needed for ArtSpark!

The annual Art Spark fundraiser on April 26, is fast approaching! The Dessert Dash has been an amazing part of this event, with almost \$3,000 raised in about 15 minutes. To date we have eight restaurants or markets donating a dessert for the dessert dash. We hope to sell at least twenty tables. For the first two seasons, several Rotarians made a dessert, purchased one and provided it, or contributed funds for the purchase of an excellent dessert.



Once again, we need Rotarians to step forward, dust off the cookbook (or wallet!) and bring a yummy culinary delight for the Dessert Dash! Please let [John Fox](#) know if you are able to contribute this year.

UofO Rotaract Trivia Night - DATE CHANGE - May 10

Get ready for a blast to the past with the University of Oregon Rotaract clubs' second annual Trivia Night Fundraiser! This year's Flashback Friday theme will take guests to their favorite decade (dressing up is strongly encouraged) while teams compete in rounds of themed trivia

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questions ♦ there will be prizes for the winners! Join us on the UofO campus at the Gerlinger Lounge on Friday, May 10th, from 7 to 9 p.m. Dessert, coffee and tea will be provided and there will be a cash bar. Winning is up to you, but an evening packed full of fun and fundraising for a good cause is guaranteed.

All funds raised will be going to the Rural Health Team, a nonprofit organization made up of an international team of doctors and nurses committed to serving village communities in Uganda, including both medical services and resources along with health education. Over the last 10 years, these teams have served over 22,000 individuals and aided preventable illnesses that would have otherwise gone untreated. Singular clinicians serve up to 5 different villages in remote areas, and act as the sole medical practitioner in the surrounding area. The sole mode of transportation on dilapidated roads between communities is motorcycles. We will be raising funds to provide another motorcycle for the Rural Health Team to assist with that transportation and allow the volunteers to widen their range of practice.

Volunteers Needed - Group Study Exchange

Group Study Exchange

We have an incoming Group Study Exchange (GSE) Team coming to our District from Israel, arriving in Medford on April 28, 2019.

Their schedule is:

Sunday April 28 - May 1: Medford ; May 2-5: Coos Bay and District Conference (their presentation on May 4); May 5 - May 8: Roseburg

May 8-11: Eugene

May 12: Depart for Israel from Eugene

We are looking for people to:

- Host one of these five visitors in their homes during the time they will be with us in Eugene on May 8 - 12;
- People to provide transportation during their time in Eugene May 8 - 12.
- People to provide vocational visits in Hi-tech, Software Engineering, Systems Analysis, First Lego League Robotics or other progressive learning programs during their time in Eugene.
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Thank you in advance if you can assist with one or more of these items. Please contact Jean Schorel ♦ jean@schoremarketing.com or 415-505-3118.

John Alvord Receives NCU Award for 2019 Exemplary Ethical Leader

Eugene Airport Rotary Club Charter Member John Alvord has been chosen by The Center for Leadership and Ethics as their individual recipient of Northwest Christian University's award for being the Exemplary Ethical Leader in our community for 2019. John will receive this award at NCU's annual Evening of Tribute ceremony on Thursday, May 9th, at the Hotel Eugene (formerly the Eugene Hilton) starting with a reception at 5:30 pm.

\$125 per person, \$1000 per table. RSVP by April 25, 2019 to www.nwcu.edu/eveningoftribute or 541-684-7318



Join us for the next club social outing!

Our next social even is schedule for Saturday, May 11th, as we meet with GSE



Governor

Birthdays

Gregory L. Stewart
April 23rd
Constance Fehlman
April 29th
Todd M. Nelson
April 29th
James A. Krueger
May 1st
Paul T Bertucci
May 1st
Robert Scott Impecoven
May 5th
Diana Rae Bray
May 6th
Brent Allyn Johnson
May 8th
Mark Douglas Musgrove
May 15th
Leonard H. White
May 17th
William A. McConochie
May 17th
Jay Silverman
May 18th
Arthur A. Mehas
May 20th

Years of Service

John Wolf
07-20-1987
32 Years
Maurizio Paparo
07-29-1997
22 Years
Gregg A. Fuller
07-29-1997
22 Years
Harry B. Storr
07-03-2001
18 Years
John Raleigh Fox
07-20-2010
9 Years
Michelle A Blackwell
07-01-2014
5 Years
Garrett Ledgerwood
07-28-2015
4 Years



Exchange program participants from Israel! We will start at 3:30pm at King Estate Winery for a tour and wine tasting. After that, we will be back in Eugene around 5:00 to have dinner at the BeerGarden--next to Gray's Garden Center. We need to know who all will be going--to one or to both events, especially for the wine tour. Please contact [Gregg Fuller](#) if you would like to participate!

Volunteers Needed - Special Olympics Golf Event

Mark your calendars for July 21st to volunteer at the Special Olympics Golf competition. Join fellow Rotarians as we help our local community at this fantastic event. Contact [Patrick Crawley](#) if you have any questions or would like to help out!



Why are YOU a Rotarian?



Why did you become a Rotarian? What keeps you coming back? How does Rotary support your passions? What is your "two minute elevator speech" when people ask you what Rotary is all about? Send your stories to [Jennifer Schumann](#) for possible inclusion in the newsletter, facebook, and at meetings. Short and



sweet, a paragraph or less

"I joined to make a difference in my community. I've stayed because I am."
Heather R. Klein
Rotary Club of Alleghany County, North Carolina, USA

Have a Story for the Club Newsletter?

Submit articles for the Eugene Rotary (B)Log to Club Communications Director Jennifer Schumann, jennifer.o.schumann@gmail.com



DISTRICT CONFERENCE REGISTRATION IS OPEN

[Register Today!](#)

District Conference is **May 3rd, 4th and 5th** at The Mill Casino on Coos Bay.

**"DREAM BIG, HAVE FUN,
GET STUFF DONE"**



SUBMISSION TO ENEWS

By Tiffany Bailey



Please submit photos, news, and brags to district5110enews@gmail.com. *We welcome your news and announcements.* eNews is produced in DACdb ezBulletin and sent to active D5110 members via PMail. Please submit your **SHORT** stories and great photos of Club events accomplishments and service projects.

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