



Springfield Rotary Club Meeting

Springfield Rotary
Meets at Springfield Elks
1701 Centennial Blvd.
Springfield, OR 97477
Time: Wednesday at
12:00 PM
We are a SINGING Club

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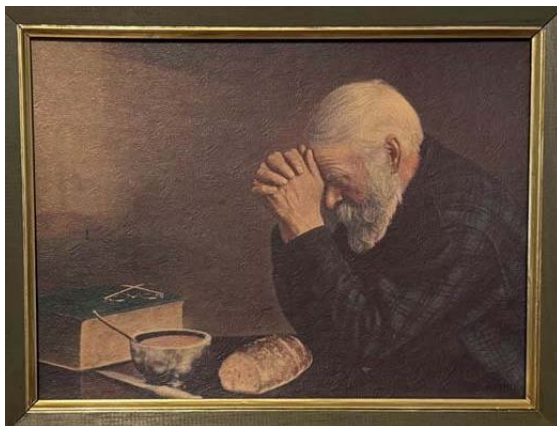
Speakers

May 28, 2025
Dr. William Foster and
Sarah Koski
Bringing Project

President's Message

This year, several friends and I agreed to do a daily Life Journal Reading Plan. We all do the same 20-30 minute reading assignment in 2025, then write a few brief comments in the "Talk It Over" section. Some of the readings are from two of my favorite books, Psalms and Proverbs. These two books are probably my favorites because I have spent more time reading them over the years.

As a young adult, a friend encouraged me to read a chapter of Proverbs each day. The beginning of Proverbs has some tremendous promises: **"... for attaining wisdom and discipline; for understanding words of insight; for acquiring a disciplined and prudent life, doing what is right and just and fair ..."** Looking back, this was excellent preparation for applying the **Rotary 4-Way Test!** Since there are 31 chapters in Proverbs, it was natural to read the chapter for that day (Chapter 11 on May 11th, for example). During 1981-1994, when I lived in Gresham and worked in downtown Portland, I would frequently read a chapter each morning while commuting on the Tri-Met express bus or MAX light rail train. About that time, I learned that Proverbs had also been a favorite book of my maternal grandfather, John Henry Pauly (1884-1971). This picture from our upstairs wall is not my grandfather, but it makes me think of him.



Another friend in those young-adult years encouraged me to read five chapters of Psalms each day, especially when going through difficult times. Over the years, as my work responsibilities and job pressures increased, Psalms became even more meaningful. The daily pattern was similar to Proverbs: start with the psalm of the day (Psalm 11 on May 11th, for example), then 30 psalms later (Psalm 41), then 30 psalms later (Psalm 71) and so on (Psalms 101, 131). The only exception was to save Psalm 119, the longest psalm, for the 31st day (for example, May 31st). Using this pattern, I was able to read through Psalms in most months.

Back to my Life Journal Reading Plan, this was my "Talk It Over" comment on May 9, 2025:

The older I get, the more meaningful this becomes:

"In you, Lord, I have taken refuge; let me never be put to shame. In your righteousness, rescue me and deliver me; turn your ear to me and save me.

Be my rock of refuge, to which I can always go; give the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

... Do not cast me away when I am old; do not forsake me when my strength is gone.

... As for me, I will always have hope; I will praise you more and more.

.... Even when I am old and gray, do not forsake me, my God, till I declare your power to the next

generation, your mighty acts to all who are to come. ... I will praise you with the harp for your faithfulness, my God; I will sing praise to you with the lyre, Holy One of Israel. My lips will shout for joy when I sing praise to you— I whom you have delivered. My tongue will tell of your righteous acts all day long, for those who wanted to harm me have been put to shame and confusion.”

Psalms 71:1-3, 9, 14, 18, 22-24

The older I get, the more meaningful Proverbs and Psalms become. I encourage others to consider these daily reading patterns! They have been very helpful to me, **“even when I am old and gray.”**

Events

No Events found

Merlyn Hough, President 2024-2025, Rotary Club of Springfield

Weekly Program

By Jeff Lovell
Presenter: Katie Kilcullen

Presentation Title: The job and purpose of a rodeo queen

Brief Description of Presentation : Rodeo queens often get the negative connotation of being just a pretty face on a horse. There can often be assumptions made that could not be further from the truth. Rodeo queens are the bridge between the rodeo and the community. They are educators, ambassadors, and are friendly faces to all. The sport of rodeo can often be intimidating. Rodeo queens are there to be approachable and comfortable to ask questions about rodeo and learn new things! Rodeo queens are also representatives of their select sponsors. This consists of them sharing their sponsor on social media, advertising, wearing their clothing/items, and encouraging people to use their service! They are also largely ambassadors for the western way of life, agriculture, and, of course, rodeo.

Brief Bio of Presenter: Katie Kilcullen is the 18-year-old daughter of Kristie Kilcullen, WC Grover, and the late Chris Kilcullen. She resides in the small town of Elmira, west of Eugene, an hour away from her beloved Oregon coast. She attends Elmira High School and is nearing the end of her senior year. After graduation, Katie plans on attending Oregon State University, where she will study biology to reach her goal of becoming a veterinarian. Katie began taking horseback riding lessons at the age of 11 and has never looked back! However, unlike most queens, Katie did not embark on her rodeo queen career until the age of 16; her first and only title was the 2024 Miss Philomath Frolic & Rodeo Queen. Katie is a varsity athlete on her high school equestrian team where she competes with her horse Seven in working rancher classes, drill, pole bending, cow sorting, individual flags, saddle seat, and in-hand trail. However, their FAVORITE things to do are to make run-ins at rodeos and enjoy a good trail expedition. Katie only has one horse; she calls him her "unicorn".

As Katie rose to the prestigious title of Miss Teen Rodeo Oregon, she plans to dedicate her year to Miss Rodeo Oregon's motto, "Educate, Elevate, and Inspire". She also plans on sharing her platform, "Beauty from Ashes", where she shares the tragic loss of her father and how she found beauty from the unthinkable. She will also share others' stories and how they apply to her platform. As she travels the state of Oregon, she plans on making endless friends, encouraging others, teaching about the great sport of rodeo, agriculture, and the western way of life, all while hoping to brighten someone's day. The role of a rodeo queen is to be the bridge between the rodeo and the community, and Katie plans to be just that.

Weekly Program ZOOM 2023-2024

President Merlyn Hough is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting if you are unable to attend in person.

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

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Welcome Assignments

By Sue Fisher

Please arrive by 11:30 am. If you cannot do your assignment, please find another member to do so and let Sue Fisher know your replacement's name.

Greeter - Wear the greeter badge (which is in the badge box) in addition to your own name badge. Place the "door stop" under the door to keep it ajar. In nice weather stand outside. In inclement weather stand just inside the door where it is warm. Greet everyone with a "Welcome to Springfield Rotary" smile. Note the names of guests and visiting Rotarians on the clipboard as they come in. Ask each guest for his or her business card and place it on the clipboard (for possible future members). Please have guests write their names on and wear a Rotary guest name tag. After the inspiration, the president will ask you to introduce each visiting Rotarian. Rotarians who brought guests may want to introduce their own guests.

Attendance:

Check off each member as they arrive at the meeting and pick up their name badges. Leave the attendance sheet and pen on the table when you leave to get your lunch.

Raffle-Door Prize - Bring a gift valued at \$20-25 and sell tickets as members and guests arrive. If you do not show up or get someone to fill in for you that day, you will be expected to bring a door prize or gift card for a future meeting or give the club \$20-\$25, and we will purchase one for you. After the program/m portion of the meeting, when the President calls for the door prize, ask the speaker, or someone else, to draw the winning ticket. Give the microphone and gift and "bucket" to the award winner and ask him/her to collect Happy Bucks. Give the bucket with the \$\$ to Michelle Webber.

Guidelines for Invocations and Inspiration at Rotary meetings:

These guidelines are intended to simplify and encourage everyone to feel comfortable participating in this portion of our weekly meetings. Rotary invocations or inspirations should be short and simple and acceptable to any religious denomination. Rotary is non-discriminatory, non-political, and is comprised of members from a wide range of religious faiths. Therefore, Rotary International recommends that meeting invocations or inspirations give no reference to a specific religion. Moments of inspiration are quotes, poems or short inspirational stories that have touched our lives or are appropriate to today's speaker topic or what is happening in the world around us. How does Rotary inspire you? How do you think Rotary inspires other people? Feel free to share.

Bulletin Article – Currently on hold!

Sue Fisher

| Duty/Date | 5/14/2025 | 5/21/2025 | 5/28/2025 | / |
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| Inspiration | Christina | Mary Ann Reilly | Matt Sorensen | |
| Greeter | Dave Floyd | Christina | Mary Ann Reilly | |
| Attendance | Brian Richardson | Dave Floyd | Christina | |
| Raffle | Joe Cioffi | Brian Richardson | Dave Floyd | |
| Money Collector | Terry Beyer | Terry Beyer | Liz Degner | |

We Are A SINGING CLUB

By Dan Hurley

"Shower The People"

by James Taylor

Save these Dates

By Jay W. Zink

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June 1st, a Sunday, at the Elks club, the **Hello - GoodBye Party**. Hello Bob Shuttle, we welcome you as our next club's president, and thank you, Merlyn Hough for a job well done as this year's president. It'll start at 3:00pm. It's \$15.00 and will include an alcoholic beverage (beer or wine) and heavy hors d'oeuvres. Please respond to the sign-up email, and you can pay when you arrive for the lunch meeting. **We'll need to know a head count for the Elks to prepare by the 21st of May**. Thank you.

August 6th, a Wednesday, the annual Springfield Rotary get together at the **Ems Ball game**. We'll be on the 3rd base side. Food and beverage, great seats, great time. Cost is \$35/person and kiddos 12 and under are free.

2026 District Conference Committees

By Rae Anne LaMarche

Springfield Rotary is the host club for the 2026 District Conference during the District Governorship of Chris Waugh. Although still 13 months away (May 15-17, 2026), planning has begun. It will certainly take a village to pull off the best conference ever.

We will ask for the support of all clubs in our local area to chair various committees and teams. I will be presenting to area club presidents and PEs on April 26. BUT, as the host club we get first choice. We are looking for members to volunteer for the following, as chair or as a team member. Please let me know where you would like to help.

- **Sponsorships:**
- **Keynote Speakers:** Chris Waugh and Rae LaMarche are working on this. Two of three are secured.
- **PR:**
- **Fun Events:**
- **Hands-on Service Projects:** Springfield Rotary Service Committee. THANK YOU
- **Club Showcase** (each club to highlight an activity of their club, in a "House of Friendship" display.
- **Decorations:**
- **Major Donor Reception and Welcome Reception:**
- **Memorial Recognition activity:**
- **The Rotary Foundation** funding activity (in the past, silent auction baskets. Perhaps a door prize raffle this year):
- **Break Out Sessions:**
- **Sergeants at Arms** (Conference Tour Guides):


I am happy to answer any questions, elaborate on any of the committees, and I do welcome suggestions for possible candidates. This list may change with time. As Chris always says, "We haven't peaked yet." Thank you.

Recurring Meeting Schedules

| Committee | Meeting | Time | Location | Contact |
|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|---|----------------|
| Board Meeting | Third Tuesday | 7:30 am | Prime Time Sports Bar 1360 Mohawk Blvd | Michelle Webbe |
| Service Project | Second Tuesday | 12:30 pm Lunch | Roaring Rapid Pizza | Jessica |

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| | | 1:00 Meeting | 4006 Franklin Blvd. | Redmond |
| Club Administration and Programs | Second Wednesday | 1:00 pm | IN PERSON after club | Sue Fisher |
| Membership/Social | Second Monday | 7:30 am | Centennial Steakhouse 1300 Mohawk Blvd | Jay Zink |
| TRF | Second Wednesday | 11:00 am | IN PERSON Before club | Mary Bridget Smith |
| Youth Services | First Wednesday | 1:00pm | IN PERSON After club | June Fothergill |
| Public Relations | Third Wednesday | 1:00 pm | IN PERSON After Club | Tammy Inglis-Drew |
| Weekly Meeting | Every Wednesday | Noon | Elks Club=in person ZOOM | President Merlyn Hough |

Rotary's Four-Way Test



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THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say, or do

The Four-Way Test is a nonpartisan and nonsectarian ethical guide for Rotarians to use for their personal and professional relationships.

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

Keep up with District 5110

What's going on in the rest of [Rotary District 5110](#)? Click [here](#) to find out.

WHAT'S NEW IN SPRINGFIELD? VISIT THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



For information about activities and events in Springfield, check out the [Springfield Chamber of Commerce. Click here for more information.](#)

Birthdays - Coming Up



[Thomas L. McAllister](#)
May 17th



[Steven Wheeler](#)
May 25th



[David M. Walsh](#)
May 28th



[Lee Beyer](#)
June 4th
