



Springfield Rotary Club Meeting

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

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November 08, 2023
Sergeii Zavadskyi

President's Message

By Mary Bridget Smith on Monday, November 6, 2023



I have asked our TRF chair, Mary Bridget Smith, to write this week's message.
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I am writing the President's message this week because in November Rotary recognizes the Rotary Foundation. First, I want to thank all of you who contribute to the Rotary Foundation. The Foundation gives us the opportunity to make an impact both locally and globally. Donations are used to fund local district grants like Gift of Literacy and Launch Box and are also leveraged to make an impact on an international scale. The Foundation supports Rotary

Peace Centers where peace fellows earn master's degrees or receive professional development training. In 2022 the Foundation approved 1,199 Global Grants and awarded \$72.7 million for projects around the world. The Foundation also supports Disaster Relief Grants which are vital in this time of conflict and natural disaster. Lastly, it is on the front lines of eradicating polio through the Polio Plus fund.

Last week, I sent an email asking you all to consider donating to the Rotary Foundation. My hope is that you can see the impact that the Foundation has on our community and our world. On top of that, Charity Navigator has given it the highest rating for 14 consecutive years. It is easy in this moment to feel overwhelmed by the state of the world because there is so much pain. The best antidote is to continue to create community through our club and make consistent contributions to organizations like the Rotary Foundation.

Yours in Rotary,
Mary Bridget Smith
TRF Chair

Weekly Program

By Jeff Lovell
Speaker: Sergeii Zavadskyi and Dave Sanders

Topic: Moshchun Recovery Project

Sergeii will visit us from Ukraine via Zoom. His presentation will focus on the city of Moshchun which was totally destroyed by advancing Russian troops at the beginning of the war with Russia. Through Rotary grants and support, the city is being rebuilt. Through a Global Grant Springfield Rotary will help purchase medical equipment for the newly constructed medical center.

Weekly Program ZOOM 2023-2024

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

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

November 15, 2023

1) Trevecca Winters, LCSW, ACHP: EGAN Warming Centers

3) This presentation will provide the why of EGAN Warming Centers.

We will share how the program operates and who we serve in the community. We will describe needs of the programs, from supplies, space, and volunteers

November 22, 2023

Happy Thanksgiving. We will be Dark today.

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Events

No Events found

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Rotarians of the Month

By Rae Anne LaMarche

The success of any club rests in the work that happens outside of meeting time. Recognizing that so many members work behind the scenes, I decided that I wanted to share their hard work with the club, and what better way than to honor these folks as a Rotarian of the Month. It is a difficult task to pick only one or two people each month; I am counting on many months. Yes, it is already November, but I have gone back to August (July is a blur to me) and identified the following for recognition.

August: For her outstanding, consistent work to get us our newsletter each week, in a timely manner, I have chosen **Jo Ann Henderson**. She learned how to use DacDb in a new way, not an easy task. In recognition of the weekly (or sometimes more often) entries on FaceBook, I have chosen **Tammy Inglis-Drew**. This is our face to the community. Thank you.

September: With school beginning, I chose to recognize two Rotarians that have been heading up our Interact and STRIVE programs. **Christina SanFilippo** now has 30+ students attending Interact meetings every week (and a few Rotarians). Students are involved in school, community, and international projects in addition to helping us with our projects. **Mary Jo Sanders** was selected for her ongoing efforts to reignite the STRIVE program after its Covid-induced pause. It is not easy to bring the high school on board, find mentors from our club, and bring them all together for the betterment of our students. Thank you.

October: The coordination of the Mayor's Revue fell to two Rotarians who worked tirelessly to be sure that the program was fun, interesting, and would support the Springfield Charitable Foundation. The funds will be used to support our Signature project, The Arc Park. For their months of work, I have selected **Andrew Buck** and **Mayor Sean Van Gordon** as the October Rotarians of the Month. Thank you.

I am happy that there are more months to honor more of our members. Is there someone you think is worthy? Send me an email with the name and why. Thanks to all our members for all you do.

Travel with Rotary

By Rae Anne LaMarche

Traveling with Rotary provides the opportunity to meet fellow Rotarians across the globe, visit Rotary projects, and spend time as a local, all at a cost that is much less than trying to do this on your own. A number of trips are available at this time. Please contact President Rae for more information

about any of these programs.

1. **NID trip to India:** Two weeks in India under the direction of PDG Anil Garg. Anil has led more than ten of these trips which include meetings with WHO, government representatives, and hospital personnel in addition to actually giving polio vaccines to children ages 1-5. Total cost is estimated at \$3000-\$3500 including economy air, transportation in country, and other costs. Application deadline is November 17.
1. **Project Ecuador:** Rotary Nutritional Forest. In 2022 the Rotary clubs in District 5110 funded a nutritional forest project in the Ecuadorian Amazon. We planted 12,500 trees to feed 1,200 people in five indigenous communities. Join this 10 day experience on one of two dates, January 19-28, 2024 or February 9-18, 2024. Rotary discounted price is \$1950 (does not include air). Visit www.TwoHandsTours.com for further information and registration.
1. **Rotary Friendship Exchanges: Outbound**
 - a. Philippines District 3850. March 19-30, 2024 Manila, Bacolod City, Iloilo City, Guimaras, Rosa's City and Borocay Island.
 - b. Uganda District 9455. Either February or June, 2024 (team will decide). Kabrole, National Parks, Rotary Projects
 - c. Southern Louisiana District 6200. May 9-22. New Orleans, Lake Charles, Opelousas, Houma, Baton Rouge.
1. **Rotary Friendship Exchanges: Inbound, giving us hosting opportunities**
 - a. Tuscany District 2071. Young Winemakers. April 29-May 7, 2024. Will include our District Conference. (hosted by Ashland, Corvallis and Eugene Southtowne)
 - b. Philippines District 3850. April 23-May 6. Includes our District Conference. (hosted by Cottage Grove, Redmond/Bend, Coos Bay/North Bend)
 - c. Southern Louisiana District 6200. Mid to end August 2024. (hosted by Port Orford, Grants Pass, and Eugene Metro)
 - d. Uganda District 9455. September, 2024: needs host clubs
 - e. South Africa TBA 2025, needs host clubs.



Update on Skip Fleek

By Rae Anne LaMarche

Skip Fleek's wife, Judy, has informed me that she and his daughters are considering a memorial for him in spring. We will inform club members when we receive full information. We all keep Skip in our memories.

Warm Clothing for Egan Warming Center

By Tammy Inglis-Drew

We will be having a blanket and warm clothing drive on **November 15**. Egan Warming Center will be presenting to our club on that day and we want to be sure to support them by bringing new or gently used warm clothes and blankets to help this great organization.

Tailgate Party during our November 15th Club Meeting

On November 15th, the club is having a special luncheon. This theme is along the lines of a Tailgate party. It is Civil War week. The big state rivalry might be the last one in the years ahead. But wear whatever colors for the team you root for. It might be Oregon, OSU, or Willamette, Washington, WSU - whomever. Wear your colors. And at most tailgate parties there will be beer available. Like the Oktoberfest themed lunch, beer will be available at \$5.00. It is optional and additional.

Don't forget the club is dark on November 22, and the Elks Club is closed.

Who Am I? November 8

WHO AM I?

April 18, 1942 was a busy day not only at the Los Angeles County hospital maternity ward, but in the western Pacific Ocean on board the [U.S. Navy's aircraft carrier USS Hornet \(CV-8\)](#) as well. This was the day that the first air operation strike was made to the Japanese homeland during World War II. This strike was led by [Lieutenant Colonel James "Jimmy" Doolittle](#). Obviously, Col. Doolittle's event received more coverage than my birth. Yes, I am, a "war baby"!

Two years after my birth, my crazy sister Susan joined the family. Shortly after Sis arrived, our mother divorced our dad, who was an alcoholic. We moved to Lake Arrowhead Village and lived for the next five years in a log cabin. Mom was a beautician and ran the beauty shop in the village where I had my first job sweeping the shop floor at the end of the day. As I recall, the push broom was bigger than I was. Before moving to Lake Arrowhead, Mom taught hair dressing, etc. at one of the beauty schools in Hollywood. Their most frequent customers were young want- to- be- actresses. And yes, Mom did do "Norma Jean's". (Marilyn Monroes) hair. Sis and I had a fun time growing up at the lake, running through the tall pine trees, chasing wildlife, and swimming in the lake. Fun, simple times.

At the age of six, our lives took another turn, this time for the good. Mom met a gentleman, who would soon become our new Dad. His brother was the local sheriff, and his brother-in-law was the general manager of the So Cal Edison operation at the lake. Little did we know, but the best was yet to come. There were seven more of them! All their wives and kids, numbered around thirty plus at that time. For the rest of our lives, family events were just awesome.

We moved to Oregon in 1949, settling in NE Portland. We lived in an apartment at the rear of the family business. As our new Dad had been a Chief in the USN Sea Bees, serving in [Guadalcanal, life at home was quite regimented, which was good for me](#). I was a strong-willed kid, but that got worked out of me quickly. I was active in baseball, football, track, and swimming. Hunting, fishing, and camping pretty much occupied the summers along with Boy Scout activities. I organized a dance band in high school and planned to go into music education at the U of O, but at the last minute, I changed to entomology and attended "OSC".

I served for eight years with the 104th Division, US Army. As it probably is for all my brothers and sisters in arms, serving was a life-changing experience that gives one a unique perspective on life and the world.

I became re-united with a grade schoolgirl friend and we married in 1963. In 1966, we became the proud parents of our beautiful daughter, Anne Marie. She, like her dad, was, and still is, hard-headed, so she decided to pop into the world six weeks early! Yep, we had her at home! All went well, and she grew into a beautiful woman. As sometimes happens, Annie's Mom and I parted ways. We both re-married and decided to raise Annie with two full sets of parents.

In 1970, guess what happened? I got married again. This coming February 16th will be fifty-four years of the best years of my life. We lived the first thirty-five years on floating homes (house boats) in the Portland area. My new wife came from a background of competitive sailing on Lake Erie, so in that period we had two sail boats, two outboard boats, and three cruising yachts. It was a ball. I took several boating vacations in the San Jaun Islands and the Columbia River areas.

We have taken two trips across the country and a month in Alaska in our motor home, and several West Coast trips.

Moved to the Eugene area on December 31, 2005, after retiring from the family business.

Purchased our home on 1.3 acres and are enjoying the rural location with our great neighbors and all the wildlife that visits us.

Purchased a small company in 2010 and provide a combination of household and commercial services. We appreciate the business and support that we have received from many of you in Springfield Rotary in this venture.

We discovered Springfield Rotary through Past President Steve Singleton. I joined Rotary in 1974 with the Rotary Club of North Portland. Served as President in 1983-84. We hosted 7 Rotary Youth Exchange Students, using the Four Way Test as a rudder, and associating with Rotarians such as yourselves, has kept our course true through some of the rough waters that life throws at us.

Thank you all for your friendship....

Who am I...

Come to the meeting this Wednesday and find out!

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. Create Peace in the World (see Debbie Knechtel this week for your prize)

Greeter - wears the greeter badge and notes the names of guests on the clipboard as they come in, and also asks guests for their business card and places it on the clipboard (our President will follow up with each guest). Please have guests write their names on and wear a Rotary guest name tag. The president will have you introduce visiting Rotarians and Rotarians with guests, near the start of the program. Let the Rotarians introduce their guests.

Raffle-Door Prize/Attendance - Bring a gift of \$20-25 and sell tickets (seated next to attendance) If you miss your Raffle assignment, because of the pipeline for red badge assignments and other scheduling issues, you will not typically be rescheduled, and the club will bill you for \$25, and you are expected to provide a \$25 gift card in recognition payment for the bill. Please do not provide \$25 in cash. Have the speaker, or choose someone else to draw the winning ticket. Give the \$\$ to Liz and the microphone and gift to the award winner as they do Happy bucks. Mark down members that attend the meeting as they pick up their badges.

Bulletin Article – Currently on hold!

Sue Fisher

Duty/Date	11/08/2023	11/15/2023	11/22/2023
Inspiration	Lynn Macbeth	TBD	Dark
Greeter	Bruce Webber	Christina San Filippo	Dark
Raffle/Attendance	Merlyn Hough	Lynn Macbeth	Dark
Money Collector	Jay Zink	Jay Zink	Dark

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Emails to send newsletter to as CCs

Send newsletter to as cc's to the following"

jevansp@gmail.com; springfieldrotaryprograms@gmail.com; dgaimiee2223@gmail.com

will@midoregon.com; DGCindi5110@gmail.com; Chris@smartz.com (one time--done)

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Rotary's Four-Way Test



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.



We Are A SINGING CLUB

By Dan Hurley
The Ballad of the Green Berets

- by SSG Barry Sadler
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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.](#)

Recurring Meeting Schedules

Committee	Meeting	Time	Location	Contact
Board Meeting	Third Tuesday	7:30 am	ZOOM	Liz Degner
Service Project	Second Tuesday	12:00 pm	SPS District Office 640 A St, Springfield	Steve Wheeler

Club Administration and Programs	Second Wednesday	1:00 pm	IN PERSON after club	Luke McCallister
Membership/Social	Second Monday	9:00 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	Christina San Filippo
Public Relations	Second Wednesday	1:00 pm	IN PERSON After Club	JoAnn Henderson
Weekly Meeting	Every Wednesday	Noon	Elks Club=in person ZOOM	President Rae LaMarche

Birthdays - Coming Up



[Lori Lock](#)
November 16th



[Brian Richardson](#)
December 2nd