



Club of  
Bainbridge  
Island



2018 — 2019 ANNUAL REPORT

# Service Above Self

## PRESIDENT GOLDSTON'S MESSAGE

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**It is with great pride that I present the 2018-19 Annual Report of the Bainbridge Island Rotary Club.** It has been an outstanding year that began with a remarkable Auction & Rummage sale through which we have been able to achieve great things for our Community. We take very seriously our role as a wise distributor of funds raised through the Auction.

During this year, we have been able to distribute \$152,654 in Community Grants to 27 Non-Profits. In addition, we gave three major grants of \$50,000 each for major local projects. Our World Community Service Committee was able to organize and fund some major upgrades to wells in local African Communities that were beginning to fail. It was a measure of our long-term commitment to such projects and we asked our members for a one-time extraordinary funding in order to complete these projects.

This report is an illustration of the Club's commitment to improve its public communication. We have made great strides in updating our social media presence, improving the effectiveness of our website and better telling 'our story'.

The Club takes great pride in illustrating "Service above Self", the Rotary motto. I have been very proud to have served as Club President and would like to thank all members for their kindness and support. In particular, I would like to thank the Board of Directors and Committee Chairs for their support, advice and counsel.



**Robin Goldston**

*Bainbridge Island Rotary President*

## OFFICERS



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President



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Secretary



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## CLUB LEADERSHIP



**Adam Matschek**  
2019 Auction Chair



**Jim Hopper**  
Membership Co-Chair



**Vicki Browning**  
Membership Co-Chair

# AUCTION & RUMMAGE SALE

The 2019 Auction & Rummage Sale was a HUGE success.

Many thanks to Bainbridge Island and Puget Sound communities for your amazing support: to the 2019 Auction attendees who so generously made purchases; to those who donated the items we sold; and to the over 1,500 Auction volunteers who, year after year, spent countless hours helping us take in, organize, and sell those donations. Our success would not be possible without EVERYONE'S support. We simply cannot say thank you enough!

The Rotary Club of Bainbridge Island will now begin allocating money from the 2019 Auction & Rummage Sale to good use within our community and beyond, through:

- Community Grants to local nonprofit organizations
- Large community projects
- International humanitarian projects
- College Scholarships based on community service
- Career / Technical Scholarships based on career objectives
- Other worthwhile causes

## WHERE THE MONEY GOES

The graph to the right shows how Auction & Rummage Sale proceeds were invested from 2018 thru 2019, illustrating how the Rotary Club of Bainbridge Island serves our local and international communities.

## WHERE THE MONEY GOES

HOW AUCTION REVENUES WERE INVESTED 2018 - 2019



EXPENDITURES ARE FOR THE CLUB YEAR OF 2018 — 2019

- Community Grants — \$167,408
- Large Community Projects — \$190,829
- Scholarships — \$43,500
- International Humanitarian Projects — \$144,375





## CLUB FUNDED AED'S SAVE LIVES

**In 2015 Rotary Club member Jack Sutherland was attending a luncheon meeting when suddenly he collapsed.** He had suffered a nearly catastrophic cardiac incident. The electrical signal from his brain to his heart had stopped, prompting his heart to stop beating; he was “clinically dead” with no pulse or respiration. Fortunately for Jack, he could not have chosen a better place to have a heart attack; both Fire Chief Hank Teran and local chiropractor Sean Marcella were attending the meeting and immediately started CPR until the paramedics arrived. The medics continued CPR on the way to the hospital, plus used an “Automated External Defibrillator (AED)”, to maintain blood circulation and restore some heart function.

Now fully recovered Jack and Chief Teran are leading a Rotary Club project to purchase and place up to 50 AED's throughout the island. As Jack puts it, *“I’m an extremely lucky man. The*

*statistics speak for themselves: those who receive both CPR and an AED shock with in the first 3-4 minutes of their cardiac episode have a 700% increased survival rate. For the unfortunate who do not receive this intervention within 10 minutes, their mortality rate is extremely high: over 90%.”* Through this project, Jack and the club are helping save more lives by placing this equipment in strategic, high traffic public locations.

Funded through the disbursement of annual Rotary Auction & Rummage Sale funds, the Club has allocated \$25,000 to the project. With these funds, AED units have been purchased or grants provided to local nonprofits and businesses for the placement of up to 50 AED's throughout our island community. All AEDs are located are in high traffic public locations.

Below is a partial list of locations where Club funded AED's are now located. A comprehensive list can be found on the popular phone application Pulse Point. For additional information on this amazing project, visit [bainbridgeislandrotary.org](http://bainbridgeislandrotary.org).

- ACE Hardware
- Bainbridge Brewery
- Bainbridge Cinema in the Pavilion
- Bainbridge Community Pharmacy
- Bainbridge First Baptist Church
- Bainbridge Historical Museum
- Bainbridge Island Metro Parks & Recreation District — *A total of 11 located throughout the city in major park / facility areas*
- Bainbridge Police Department — *A total of 10 located in all police vehicles and their HQ*
- Bainbridge School District — *A total of 3 located throughout their primary and secondary school facilities*
- Blackbird Bakery
- Chamber of Commerce
- Harbor Public House
- Kitsap Reg. Library Bainbridge
- Rolling Bay Presbyterian Church
- St. Barnabas Church
- St. Cecilia; Church & School
- Westside Pizza
- Winslow Wharf

## CLUB COMMUNICATIONS

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The very active and engaged Club Communications team is responsible for all levels of internal and external marketing excluding any Auction and Rummage Sale activities. The Auction team has a separate marketing group that oversees all auction related marketing matters. The Club Communications team is responsible for virtually all other club related advertising, marketing, branding, video and public / media relations activities.

## BAINBRIDGE ISLAND ROTARY.ORG

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We continued to improve and enhance the club website. The site is current with new content added regularly. This includes up to date meeting and committee reports, news features, community grant and scholarship updates and more. The subscribable calendar that was made available in our 2018 re-fresh continues to be very popular.

## AED VIDEO

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We produced an 8 minute video that highlights and chronicles the clubs 2019 AED effort. This unique documentary style reenactment has been viewed more than 15,000 times through heavy social media, website and the clubs official YouTube page. Many thanks to AED Committee Chairman Jack Sutherland, Fire Chief Hank Teran as well as the entire Bainbridge Island Fire Department for their unwavering support of this unique video project. To view this video visit our Facebook or YouTube page.

## WEEKLY COMMUNIQUE

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Thanks to Editor Patti Shannon, we published 52 weekly Communiques. Each Communique is packed full of vital club information including but not limited to, committee meeting dates, breaking news, upcoming speaker information, member photos and district events. Communiques are published every Friday morning and emailed directly to all club members. Alternatively and as a convenience, the Communique is also posted to our Facebook page.

## SOCIAL MEDIA STRATEGY

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During year two of the clubs aggressive social media strategy, we continue to increase our visibility in concert with the development of enhancing brand awareness. Nearly 2000 follows now subscribe to the Club Face Book page. We have also continued to build a presence through the development of the BIRotary hashtag as well as our YouTube channel.

## ANNUAL REPORT

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For the past two years, the Communications team has been solely responsible for the creation, design and production of our annual reports. This includes all messaging, photography, graphic design, construction and oversight. Prior to the team assuming this responsibility, photo copied pages were customarily circulated providing a year end update. We are quite proud of this accomplishment in particular as it is a far better, more comprehensive snapshot of the quality and professionalism the club is known for.



## HUNEY (LARGE GRANTS) COMMITTEE

**The Huney (Large Grants) Committee provided financial support to a variety of significant island projects during the 2018 - 2019 year. Included was \$15,000 for the Woodward Middle School Library, \$100,000 for Kitsap Humane Society; \$50,000 for Bainbridge Youth Service and \$25,000 for the clubs lifesaving AED project. Total disbursements for the year for this committee total \$190,829.**

### **KidsUp Playground Renovation at Battle Point Park**

This is a popular “destination” playground serving all families of Bainbridge Island. After 20 years of hard play and exposure to Northwest weather, the playground apparatus has reached the end of its safe and useful life. The “accessible” new design will feature a large, custom-designed “ferry boat” play structure along with swings, slides and spinners, mounds, tunnels and ramps.

### **Bainbridge Island Rowing Center**

Bainbridge Island Rowing Center, (BIR) is a community athletic

organization that began 18 years ago. All the design drawings and the foundation at City Park are complete and paid in full. BIR is planning to start construction on the core, walls and roof in November 2019. BIR is partnering with the Senior Center for use of its large community room (2500 sq. ft.) to help address their and the community’s growing needs.

### **Bainbridge Island Child Care Centers**

BICCC’s mission is to serve the community and its families by providing affordable, accessible programs for preschool and school-aged children before and after school where fun and learning are promoted in a creative, nurturing, and safe environment. With the loss of their lease with the Bainbridge Island School District, BICCC is relocating its school-aged programs. The new campus will include a renovated space for Kids Club, a new pre-fab building for Big Kids, a new playground, a covered play pavilion, open fields and vintage orchard, ample parking and safe drop-off space, and a plaza where families can gather before or after programs.





## MEMBERSHIP & PHOTOS

Members are our lifeblood and the Co-Chairs of our Membership Committee have provided leadership to grow and maintain that growth.

Our club has grown to 117 members over the past year but we strive to be an inclusive club and desire more new members. If you are interested in becoming a new Rotarian, please ask a current Rotarian how to become involved. We have a Membership Committee and a Mentoring committee to help new members become engaged.



## COMMUNITY SERVICE

Rotary Club of Bainbridge Island awarded 27 Community Grants to 26 Nonprofit Organizations totalling \$167,408 from the club's 2018 Auction & Rummage Sale proceeds.

- **Arts and Humanities Bainbridge:** Computer & “*Currents Online*” support
- **Bainbridge Chorale:** Purchase vocal score of Brahms German Requiem
- **Bainbridge Community Tennis Association:** Benches for BHS tennis courts
- **Bainbridge Island Child Care Centers:** Covered play area for school-aged programs
- **Bainbridge Island Land Trust:** Utility trailer with magnetic locator and power equipment
- **Bainbridge Island Little League:** Path and landscaping around monument and batting cage
- **Bainbridge Island Metro Park and Recreation District:** Gymnastics pommel horse & parallel bar mounting system
- **Bainbridge Island Metro Park and Recreation District:** RS Tera-like sailboats for Outdoor program
- **Bainbridge Island Rowing:** MAAS double skilling shell
- **Bainbridge Island School District 303:** New tables & chairs for Library for Woodward
- **Bainbridge Island Senior Community Center:** Bus wheelchair ramp and safety improvements
- **Bainbridge Performing Arts:** New lighting control system
- **Bainbridge Schools Foundation:** Custom-made marimba for Sakai band
- **Bainbridge Youth Services:** Chrome books, monitor, printer



- **Battle Point Astronomical Association:** Childhood robotics and computer science curriculum
- **Bloedel Reserve:** 20,000-gallon water storage tank
- **Boy Scout Troop 1565:** New fiberglass canoes
- **Boys and Girls Club of Bainbridge Island:** Prep sinks for kitchen upgrade
- **Friends of the Farms:** Computer, software and printer
- **Friends of Fort Ward:** Banquet tables and chairs
- **Helpline House:** ADA building access ramp
- **Housing Resources Board:** iPad, moisture meter, infrared thermometer, borescope inspection cam, thermo-hygrometers
- **Island Time Activities:** Computers, software, printer, locking file cabinet & desk chair
- **Kids Discovery Museum:** Desks, computer, camera and office improvements
- **Kitsap Immigrant Assistance Center:** Desks, computer, camera and office improvements
- **Odyssey Parent Teacher Organization:** Reading spaces furniture & reading loft materials
- **PAWS of Bainbridge Island and North Kitsap:** Remodeling of Pleasant Beach adoption center pet area





## YOUTH SERVICE

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### STUDENT OF THE MONTH

12 students from Bainbridge Island High School and Eagle Harbor High School were recognized as Students of the Month.

### ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS (RYLA)

The Club sponsored four students to attend the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Seminar at Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma, WA on March 7 through 10.

Student attendees were 1 from Bainbridge High School and 3 from Eagle Harbor High School:

- **Ocean Foster** from Eagle Harbor High School
- **Cate Shelton-Senck** from Eagle Harbor High School
- **Austin Smith** from Eagle Harbor High School
- **Katherine Trevino-Yoson** from Bainbridge High School





## ROTARY SCHOLARSHIPS

Two types of Rotary Scholarships are awarded and funded by the Rotary Scholarship Foundation. Community Service Scholarships recognizes high school seniors for their community service and Career / Technical Scholarships to Bainbridge residents who are pursuing a specific career goal.

### COMMUNITY SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Awarded in May 2019

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|--------------------|----------------------|
| ■ Casey Longsjoen  | ■ Olivia Cavalluzzi  |
| ■ Catherine Rolfes | ■ Emily Glenn        |
| ■ Natalie Taylor   | ■ Karena Klinkenberg |
| ■ Julia Tlapa      | ■ Noelle Lipschutz   |



### CAREER / TECHNICAL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

The 2019 recipients of these scholarships were selected by Olympic College.

### BIDDLE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Awarded in May 2019

The Rotary Club Scholarship Committee selected the recipients of the Biddle Memorial Scholarship. Funds for these scholarships were provided by the Biddle Memorial Scholarship Foundation.

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| ■ Grace Carson    | ■ Spencer Nicholas |
| ■ Sean Lindsey    | ■ Gannon Winker    |
| ■ Jackie Hellmers |                    |

# WORLD COMMUNITY SERVICE



## International Humanitarian Projects

The Rotary Club of Bainbridge Island has a rich history of humanitarian projects, undertaken to improve the quality of life of less advantaged people around the globe.

Part of each year's Auction & Rummage Sale proceeds are directed toward international humanitarian work. At any given time, we have 10-15 projects underway; primarily projects in which we are actively involved and assume a leadership role.

We aspire to leverage our funds with grants from The Rotary Foundation, as well as partnerships with other Rotary Clubs, private foundations, and individuals.

Our work has spanned the globe: Africa, Asia and Latin America. Projects have typically focused on clean water, sanitation, disease prevention / treatment, education, and economic development.

### Project Examples:

- Bringing clean water to villages in Uganda, with nearly 200 wells drilled.
- Building over 100 composting toilets in Guatemalan villages.
- Creating over 100 Microsaving and Loan groups in Tanzania, Guatemala, and Uganda.
- Medical equipment and physician training for a hospital in El Salvador.
- Cook stoves for a village in Nepal.

# THE ROTARY 4 WAY TEST

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- 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?



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