



District Newsletter

August 2021

Howard Cohen
District Governor

Rotary
District 5030



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RI's Special Observance Month: Membership & New Club Development

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Newsletter Deadline

Articles & Club Ads

Send to: carmamckay@gmail.com
Deadline: 1st of each month
 Submit Email or Word.doc
 Limit to 300 words or less.
 Font: Calibri 10 pt.
 Ads: .jpg format.

District Governor's Message

Greetings! - During August, we focus on membership. The more we grow, the more we do! In July, we welcomed new members in Mill Creek, SeaTac/Tukwila and Seattle 4. To all of the clubs in our district, keep up the great work!

Rotary has stabilized at 1.2 million members for over 17 years. Rotary International (RI) President Shekhar Mehta has a vision of 1.3 million members by June 30, 2022. A simple vision: Each One, Bring One, inviting every Rotarian and Rotaractor to introduce a new person into their club. Our district adds: "Each One, Keep One," focusing on Membership Retention.

Each Rotarian and Rotaractor should ask themselves: 1. When did you join Rotary? 2. When did you become a Rotarian? 3. What brings you back to the Rotary meeting after meeting? During your club meetings, have members share these questions and answers. I am sure that you will hear individual member's insights that you were not aware of before. It will bring you even closer together.

Our district theme for the upcoming District Conference and throughout the year is "Ignite YOUR passion with Action"! What is YOUR passion? Which one or more of the 7 areas of focus resonates the most with you?

Many Rotarians have been members of their clubs for years and have built great friendships with their fellow club members. Sometimes, clubs have specific missions; however, the club's mission may not precisely fulfill the member's passion. Our district is asking that we "break down the silos" of our clubs so members can learn of other clubs that might focus on their passion by participating in service projects related to their passion while keeping their membership in their home club. "Breaking down the silos" is also an excellent tool for clubs to collaborate with like-minded projects, giving even more significant impact to the community and the world.

Another retention tool is keeping track of your

fellow members. I consider each Rotarian in our district as family. When I think of family, the first thing that comes to mind is getting together for Thanksgiving. If you invite family members to Thanksgiving dinner and a member of your family does not show up, you would contact them by calling, texting, or even going to their home. Yet, when fellow Rotarians, who in many clubs meet week after week, may not show up for a meeting or two, do we contact them? Do we let that fellow member know that we missed them at the meeting and that we are concerned about their well-being? That gesture will make a lasting impression. I suggest we create a buddy system, whereby members get matched up, two by two, to keep track of each other. It will grow our bonds even greater.

Finally, let's not forget the creation of New Clubs. It's a perfect way to bring at least 20 or more new members to our district all at one time. Our district was proud to welcome the Environmental Rotary Club of Puget Sound and the Southeast Seattle Rotary Club in June.

Coming soon, we will be welcoming two more new clubs, the [Rotary Club of the Pacific Northwest Ending Sex Trafficking](#) and the [Rotary Club of North Creek](#).

Here are things you can do when considering forming new clubs: • Map out existing Rotary clubs and other service clubs • List district demographics (key areas, cities, towns, age, specific causes, mobility, etc.) • Identify communities for Rotary development • Report to the district governor and other leaders.

As I travel around the district to meet all the clubs, I look forward to meeting every one of you. I hope to see you in Coeur d'Alene on October 1-3, 2021, at our first District Conference in 2 ½ years. Get your fellow club members to join you at the conference and reunite the incredible bonds after our long hiatus of meeting in person. Sign up today at www.5030conference.com.

Enjoy August!

Howard Cohen, DG



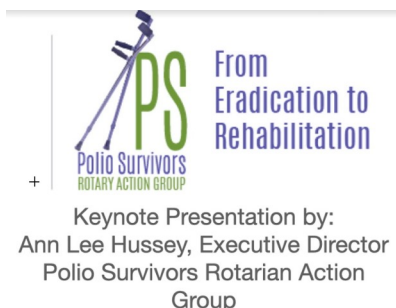


District Conference 10/1-10/3 Coeur d'Alene, ID
Tickets at 5030Conference.com

[CLICK HERE for Tickets & More Information](https://www.5030conference.com)

Join Rotarians from across District 5030 in a celebration of fellowship at our annual District Conference, Friday, October 1st, through Sunday, October 3rd at The Coeur d'Alene Golf and Spa Resort in beautiful Coeur d'Alene Idaho, (right next to Spokane). This is your chance as a Rotarian to join fellow Rotarians from across our District and exchange ideas and take action. [Click here](https://www.5030conference.com) to learn more or book now.

Don't Miss These Four Keynote Speakers at Your District Conference!



Jordan Harrison

Vice President of Community
 Impact and Partnerships at
 Reality Changers



Keynote Presentation by:
 Curt Bowen, Executive Director –
 Semilla Nueva



world without hate
 Breaking the Cycle of Hate & Violence



Rais Bhuiyan

9/11 Hate Crime Victim, Founder
 of World Without Hate, Human
 Rights Advocate & Peace Activist

It's time to come together to IGNITE YOUR PASSION with ACTION!

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We can't wait to get together face to face and hold this event as it will be the first District Conference to be held since the spring of 2019 in Spokane, WA.

The conference weekend will start with a golf tournament on the world famous golf course with the floating green with the proceed benefiting Polio Plus! At the same time, for the non-golfers, we will be engaging in a local community service project.

The conference will feature outstanding Plenary Session speakers along with fabulous breakout sessions that will cover Rotary's seven areas of focus.

We will also be honoring Past District Governor Ezra Teshome and his warriors for their amazing work with polio vaccinations in Ethiopia with additional fundraising for Polio Plus.

To find out more about more, register and book your hotel rooms, click on the link www.5030conference.com.



UPDATE & INFORMATION

COVID-19



In response to inquiries from individual clubs about the issue of masking and vaccines especially in light of returning to in person meetings and events the District offers the following guidance:

Clubs should follow their local and state health department guidelines

Clubs can refer to the CDC for guidance

Clubs and members should follow The Rotary FOUR-WAY Test, of the things we think, say or do.

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?

Gordon R. McNally of Scotland selected to be 2023-24 Rotary International President

Gordon R. McNally, a member of the Rotary Club of South Queensferry, Lothian, Scotland, is the selection of the Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International for 2023-24.



He will be declared the president-nominee on 1 October if no challenging candidates have been suggested.

To learn more about McNally, read his [interview](#) and [vision statement](#), which outline his goals for Rotary.



This letter could be coming to you...



Your Last Platelet Donation has *Already* Made a Difference.

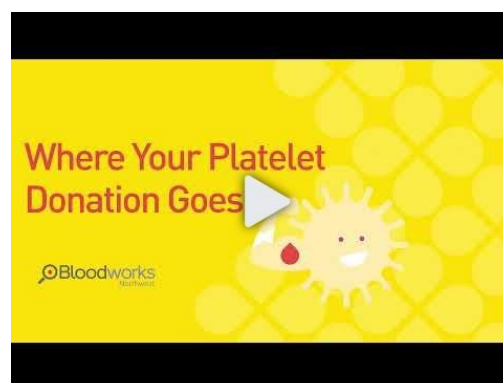
Hi James,

This is going to make your day: recently, your platelet donation(s) was transfused and helped save a patient's life at: University of Washington Medical Center.

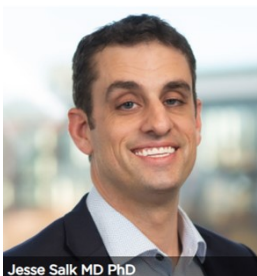
Bloodworks Northwest serves local patients at hospitals across the Pacific Northwest, and stands ready to support other cities and regions when they need help too. With this and all your donations, you are a key part of that lifesaving mission; in short, we couldn't save lives without you.

Those who need platelets the most are cancer, trauma, and transplant patients, and because of your and other's donations, there wasn't a doubt there'd be enough platelets available for their recoveries. So let's celebrate that impact you made with your recent platelet donation(s) and get inspired to make another one! With a shelf life of only five to seven days, our community's need for platelets is constant, and the impact you'll make with each donation lasts forever.

To make your next appointment, visit [BloodworksNW.org](https://www.bloodworksnw.org) and select "Plateletpheresis" as your donation type or call 800-398-7888. Have a question? [Email them](#).



Puget Sound Passport Rotary Club Monday, October 11th, 2021 @ 5:00PM



You are invited to attend our Club meeting to hear the Grandson of Jonas Salk. Jesse will introduce his company, TwinStrand Biologics and the fascinating science they are doing locally. Jesse will spend time talking about his grandfather and the awesome accomplishments of discovering the Polio vaccine.

Please RSVP to psrotarypassport@gmail.com and the Zoom link will be forwarded to you. Please extend this invitation to anyone you think would enjoy this special program.

Jesse Salk MD PhD

Chief Executive Officer, Chief Scientific Officer, Board Member

Dr. Salk is a molecular biologist, clinical oncologist, and a cofounder of TwinStrand. He invented and developed TwinStrand's core Duplex Sequencing Technology with colleagues at the University of Washington. Jesse has authored more than two-dozen peer-reviewed publications in cancer biology and genomics, and has more than 50 issued and pending patents. In addition to his executive and scientific leadership role at TwinStrand, Jesse is an Affiliate Clinical Faculty member at the University of Washington and Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center and sees cancer patients part time at the VA Puget Sound in Seattle. He is Board Certified in Medical Oncology and Internal Medicine. Jesse is a volunteer teacher in science and medicine for students from middle school through post-doctoral levels. He holds an MD/PhD with honors from the University of Washington and a BS in Biology *Summa Cum Laude* from Brandeis University.



On March 26, 1953, American medical researcher [Dr. Jonas Salk](#) announces on a national radio show that he has successfully tested a vaccine against poliomyelitis, the virus that causes the crippling disease of polio. In 1952—an epidemic year for polio—there were 58,000 new cases reported in the United States, and more than 3,000 died from the disease. For promising eventually to eradicate the disease, which is known as “infant paralysis” because it mainly affects children, Dr. Salk was celebrated as the great doctor-benefactor of his time.

University District Rotary is Back at the Seattle Yacht Club in Person or Join them via Zoom

Fridays @ Noon

August 13

John McKay

Decriminalizing Use of Controlled Substances

August 20

Rob Johnson

Seattle Kraken and Climate Pledge Arena

To join via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87528482798?pwd=MINva2dodXZJM2NNZjZsbWhjYzNiZz09>

The Rotary Club of Renton invites you to join retired Seattle Seahawk Doug Baldwin for an update on his passion for the new First Family Community Center.

This new facility will be next to Cascade Elementary School in Renton's Benson Hill Neighborhood

Host: Rotary Club of Renton

Date: Thursday, October 7, 2021

Time: 12 Noon to 1:30 PM

Where: Fairwood Golf and Country Club

Cost: \$15 admission, includes lunch

RSVP: RentonRotarySecretary@gmail.com



Rotary Club of Renton

<http://www.rentonrotary.org>
RentonRotarySecretary@gmail.com

West Seattle Rotary Speaker Wyn Spiller You're Invited!

September 7, (1st Tuesday)
at 12:00 noon



Wyn Spiller, Major Gifts Advisor, The Rotary Foundation. She will share information and updates on The Rotary Foundation Peace Centers and The Rotary Foundation Peace Fellowships.

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85933548399?pwd=UzdSSmNMcU9OenlzQW9KVEordWsyQT09>
Meeting ID: 859 3354 8399
Password: WSR1stT



Kent Sunrise Rotary Club

We had a fabulous and energetic speaker at our weekly breakfast meeting. Mia Harris serves our [Rotary District 5030](#) as the Rotaract Representative. She shared about the many exciting ways young people serve with Rotary via Rotaract!

Rotaract focuses on the development of young adults as leaders in their communities and workplaces. Clubs around the world also take part in international service projects, in a global effort to bring peace and international understanding to the world.

"Rotaract" stands for "Rotary in Action", although the name originally comes from a combination of "Rotary" and "Interact" (International + Action), the high school level program created by Rotary International in 1962.



Current and potential members of the Seattle 4, Seatac-Tukwila, and Kent Rotary Clubs met to discuss youth development in south King County on July 26.

SAVE the DATE

District 5030 Rotaract Committee Presents:

COMMUNITY ROTARACT AUCTION

"BOOKS ACROSS THE SOUND"

DECEMBER 10th & 11th, 2021

Books Across the Sound

Rotaract Clubs around our district are coming together this winter to host a community auction. Our auction is focused on increasing DEI (Diversity, Equity & Inclusivity) literacy in our local school districts. For more information, contact District Rotaract Representative Mia Harris.

Woodinville Rotary 2021 Second Annual Pickleball Tournament

Final Four ~ Lilo & Stitch vs The Foodies
~ What a match up!
Congrats to Lilo & Stitch on their stunning win!



The RYLA Northwest committee and volunteers (Districts 5020 and 5030) enjoyed seeing each other in person for the first time in over a year (and some for the first time) at a backyard BBQ on July 24.



Together Again!

**PLEASE JOIN
ALDERWOOD
TERRACE
ROTARY**

FOR
A FUN NIGHT OF DINNER,
GAMES AND A LITTLE
FUNDRAISING!

August 27, 2021
at 6 pm
Nile Shriner
Country Club

RSVP AT
WWW.ALDERTERRACEROTARY.COM
LIMITED TO 120 MUPPETS

Environmental
Rotary
Club of Puget Sound



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

kimberlykae@gmail.com



August 21

Emerald City Rotary Club
sponsoring it's annual
Jim Beley 5K Walk.
5K at Seattle U on
Saturday, August 21.

Come join other Rotarians walk
and get to know each other!



Jim Beley was a long time
member who recently passed
from Pancreatic Cancer.

www.jim5k.com

JOIN US FOR

ROTARY
After Hours

**ROTARY CLUB OF AUBURN
& ROTARY CLUB OF KENT**

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25
5:30PM

GEAUX BREWERY
3205 C ST NE, BUILDING 1
AUBURN WA 98002

**AUBURN ROTARY ANNUAL EARL AVERILL
MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

WHEN: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH, 2021 @ 1:30PM

WHERE: AUBURN GOLF COURSE
29630 GREEN RIVER RD SE, AUBURN, WA 98092

FORMAT: 4-PERSON SCRAMBLE

- Become a Sponsor
- Enter a Foursome
- Procure a Raffle Prize
- Volunteer at the Event

CONTACT: DARYL FABER
DFABER@AUBURNWA.COV

REGISTRATION LINK - AUBURNROTARY.ORG

ALL DONATIONS GO TO AUBURN ROTARY FOUNDATION. PROCEEDS WILL SUPPORT THE LOCAL YOUTH IN AUBURN AREA.

District 5030 2021 Conference

Coeur d'Alene - Oct 1-3

REGISTER NOW



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Membership and New Club Development Month

August is Membership and New Club Development Month, a time to recognize our members and the incredible work they do locally and globally. In 2021, many Rotarians around the world are working together to curb the pandemic through vaccination drives. After a long year of uncertainty, hope is on the horizon.

Membership Month is a great time to introduce friends and colleagues to the family of Rotary. Here are just a few ideas on how to attract new members and keep them engaged: Learn about [strategies for attracting new members](#) in this online course in the Learning Center. (A My Rotary account is required.) The course highlights ways to interest prospective members and showcase your club's strengths.

Because of the pandemic, many clubs have started meeting exclusively online. The [Engaging Online Meetings page](#) has many useful tips and stories on virtual engagement. Take the [Best Practices for Engaging Members](#) online course to develop strategies for engaging people at all stages of membership. Is your club healthy? Find out by taking this [online course](#), which will help your club improve its member experience, service and social events, public image, and club operations.

And don't forget to address your club's challenges! Answer a few questions in the [Club Planning Assistant](#) to get solutions that are tailored to the issues you are facing. Find more [membership resources](#) in My Rotary.

Introducing the Membership Society for New Member Sponsors

Rotary recently announced a new recognition program called the Membership Society for New Member Sponsors, to recognize members who demonstrate extraordinary commitment to sharing the gift of Rotary with others.

A new [virtual gallery](#) on My Rotary honors members who have sponsored a total of 25 or more new members.



Engaging your club's newest members

At the beginning of each Rotary year, many clubs welcome new members. Because members are most likely to leave Rotary in their first few years of membership, it's important to engage them right away. Pair them with a Rotary mentor, learn about their interests, and involve them in club activities. To complement your efforts, Rotary will send a series of email messages to members in their first year to tell them about opportunities to get involved in Rotary beyond their clubs. The messages will mention resources such as Rotary Basics and include information about Rotary Fellowships, Rotary Action Groups, and The Rotary Foundation. Together, let's make sure members have a fulfilling Rotary experience!



Each One Be a Role Model

Each of us was given an extraordinary gift when we were proposed for membership in Rotary. Consider extending the same gift to other qualified people who could benefit from Rotary and help Rotary increase its impact. [Find out](#) how a chance encounter between a Rotarian and prospective member inspired RI Director Elizabeth Usovicz to share the gift of Rotary.

Growing Rotary through membership leads

As an assistant governor, K.R. Parthasarathy managed to help establish four Rotaract clubs and one Rotary club while following up on membership leads assigned to District 3150. These efforts brought more than 400 members to Rotary. [Read about](#) how he achieved this.

Rotary International strengthens Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Statement

To ensure that our organization puts into practice the principles of diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI), the RI Board of Directors, with guidance from the DEI Task Force, has strengthened our DEI statement. [Read our updated commitment](#). As members committed to local training, you can support efforts to incorporate diversity, equity, and inclusion into Rotary's culture by using the [DEI resources](#) available in the Learning Center.

WELCOME!



NEW MEMBERS

New Member Orientation and Social

Tuesday, August 17th, 5:00-6:00pm, on Zoom

[Click to REGISTER](#)

Welcome to Rotary! There is so much to learn about this amazing organization! Join us a one-hour overview of Rotary beyond the club level and to meet other new Rotarians from across District 5030. Leave with new knowledge and a fantastic resource deck. Hosted by District Training Coordinator Wendi Fischer.



"The Rotary Club of Kirkland Downtown (RCKD) celebrated their Rotating the Wheel (changing of the guard) at the Martinka's at the end of June, with visiting Rotary dignitaries, DG Howard Cohan, and DGE Kae Peterson. It was wonderful to FINALLY get together again, in person, even on such a hot day. Wayne Ottum's Presidency ended, and Jan Martinka's year began as the new President. We added a few new faces to the Board of Directors as well, and distributed Paul Harris Fellow pins. RCKD is ready to jump into the new Rotary year, and we're looking forward to exciting local and international projects ahead!"

~ Deborah Ottum

Join Us For Monthly Pop-up Trainings!



Creating a Strong New Member Mentor Program

Wednesday, August 18th 6:00-7:00pm, on Zoom

[Click to REGISTER](#)

Congratulations, you have a new member! Now how do you plan to keep them? Having a strong mentoring program is a key. Learn about best practices that successful clubs are implementing. Hosted by District Training Coordinator Wendi Fischer.



John Burke and Jan Milligan of Vashon Island Rotary teamed up to procure and mount Rotary's new logo on the side of Vashon Highway! Looks sharp, don't ya think?

4th Annual JPMGC Charity Classic benefitting Harvest Against Hunger, Co-sponsored with Seattle Northeast Rotary

July 27, 2021 Tourney Recap - What a Tremendous response from Jackson Park Men's Golf Club, Seattle Northeast Rotary, and the community to **raise \$12,100 for Harvest Against Hunger with the charity golf tournament!**

The annual tourney has grown impressively:

- 2018 - 26 Golfers - \$ 2,500 Raised
- 2019 - 42 Golfers - \$ 3,200 Raised
- 2020 - 99 Golfers - \$ 11,000 Raised
- **2021 - 105 Golfers - \$ 12,100 Raised**

Tee Times All Day: The 26 teams of golfers teed off at times of their choosing, from 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM. 2/3 of the foursomes played in the morning, while 1/3 played in the afternoon.

Headquarters outdoors in the Tent: We missed the social side of the tournament last year but were able to have a modest 19th Hole in the Tent this year. Results were announced the next day, except for those who accessed the Golf Genius mobile scoring leaderboard, with real-time scoring. Jar Raffle results were announced on Wednesday as well, with winners needing to go back to Jackson Park GC to pick up their items.

Support from Jackson Park Golf Course: Wonderful help from Tony, Matt, Anthony and the entire staff. We were allowed to keep maximum tee times open for our tournament right through to the day of the event, so we were able to accommodate every golfer that wanted to play. Anything that we needed on the day of the tourney was cheerfully provided for us. They played in the tourney, too!

Support from Jackson Park Men's Golf Club: Growing each year, as members have learned more about the cost-efficient non-profit, **Harvest Against Hunger** and its' mission. The need for fresh food for our food banks has been elevated since the start of the pandemic, and JPMGC members have elevated their participation and generosity each year. Sponsors, donors, organization, scoring and volunteers. Over 60% of the field were JPMGC members and friends.

Support from Seattle Northeast Rotary Club and local Rotary clubs: Harvest Against Hunger is a program of Rotary District 5030, encompassing 45 Rotary clubs in the greater Seattle area. Many clubs provided teams of golfers. Seattle Northeast Rotary has provided continuous support for Harvest Against Hunger since HAH began in 1982. Its' members provided leadership, sponsors, donations, golfers and volunteers.

THANK YOU! A fantastic team effort with Jackson Park staff, Jackson Park Men's Golf Club leadership and members and Seattle Northeast Rotary members all working together towards a common goal of helping our needy neighbors.

The net proceeds, thanks to the efficient four-person staff at Harvest Against Hunger, will provide approximately **360,000 pounds of fresh fruit and vegetables for distribution at local food banks and meal programs! 180 tons! Nine full 40' truck trailers full of produce! Thank You! Well done!**

~ Lee Jones, Jeff Schoening & John Claus, Co-Chairs

Making Friends Around the World



In addition to its mission of service to the community and those in need, Rotary is based on a fundamental principle which is friendship. To make new contacts, Kate & Jonathan Matos respectively past president and volunteer

member of the Kent Rotary Club visited [Rotary Tunis Les Berges du lac](#) in Tunis, Tunisia. One of the most beautiful traditions in Rotary is the exchange of club flags. Well said! Jon and I appreciated the hospitality of the Tunisian Rotarians. They are very active here, and there are many Rotaract and Interact Clubs in Tunis.



Join us **AUGUST 20TH** for the Mt. Si Classic Golf Tournament, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Snoqualmie Valley.

Scramble format, 8 AM Shotgun Start, at the Mt. Si Golf Course: [9010 Boalch Ave SE, Snoqualmie, WA 98065](#)

Click the following link to buy tickets or for further information: <https://snoqualmievalleyrotary.org/events/mount-si-classic-charity-golf-tournament-2021/>

Lake Forest Park Rotary gets Global Grant approval at 11th Hour

By Larry French, LFP Rotary, Secretary and ISC Co-Chair

When someone says that a decision was done in the 11th hour, our Club can relate. The final financial documents for our Global Grant were submitted to RI with 38 minutes to spare. But that is the happy ending to a very, very long 11 ½ month saga.

Almost a year ago our Club, in partnership with our District 5030 and many member clubs, applied for our first ever Global Grant.

The previous year we had worked with District 5030's International Service Committee and several other local clubs to get a \$12K District grant (\$24K total with the club contributions) for PeaceTrees Vietnam (PTVN). These funds built a two-room school in Cua in the remote foothills of Vietnam's Quang Tri Province.

With the sage advice from our District 5030, we sent in that Global Grant and began working with RI's Southeast Asia team. Because Vietnam didn't have any Rotary Clubs (altho' they have one as of this writing), we needed an international partner.

Through Rotary networking we connected with one of Canada's largest clubs, the Rotary Club of Downtown Calgary. What a bit of luck that was as they have processed tens of millions in global grants. We also heard from South Bangkok with their support.

The application process was flowing well until RI made staffing changes. Our new contact informed us that the grant text did not meet the criteria and would need to be rewritten. After many versions written by our Club's ISC co-chair (and now Club President), Ed Sterner, and the staff at PeaceTrees Vietnam, we got the "thumbs up" from RI.

Because we'd met the June 30, 2021, deadline for the original global grant application, we were eligible for the RI and District funding at the higher levels. That means the \$26k of club level contributions generated a total Global Grant of \$89K. Wow and thank you to our District, our partner clubs and RI.

These funds will be used to provide additional training to demining teams and expand Explosive Ordnance Risk Education to children and teachers living in Quang Binh Province. It is a sobering statistic that several hundred thousand pounds were dropped in the provinces near the DMZ 50 years ago. Hundreds are discovered by the demining teams every month which opens up safe land for cultivation and habitation.

Our hats are off to our District 5030 ISC, our 5030 partner clubs, to Calgary and Bangkok, and to RI – it was a great learning experience, and we now have 1 global grant under our belts.

PeaceTrees employs 150 deminers who clear land of dangerous unexploded ordnance (UXO) each day. The picture shows a team is using a large-loop metal detector to locate UXO's which are either detonated in place or removed for detonation. Local residents can report sightings of UXO's directly to PTVN teams so that they are immediately prioritized for removal. PTVN has been working in Quang Tri Province for 25 years and now have

expanded into Quang Binh Province under agreement with the Provincial government.

The children pictured are the first class of the Cua kindergarten that was funded by our Club's District 5030 Grant 20-21. These children are mostly ethnic minorities whose families face generational poverty as a result of war-legacy. They usually do not speak Vietnamese which is required to enroll in 1st grade. So these kindergartens built by PTVN teach Vietnamese and provide daily lunch – and that is done with \$50 USD per child for a YEAR.

PTVN has also built several libraries in other communities. The Women's Associations that run them offer "shelter" for abused women and children.

Below is the Danaan Parry Landmine Education Center. It houses the PTVN team and hosts many educational sessions. Founders of PTVN are Seattle #4 Rotarian Jerilyn Brusseau and her husband, Danaan Parry. After his death 25 years ago, she moved forward under unsurmountable odds with the US Government and the Provincial and National Governments of Vietnam. The organization is now a model world-wide for partnering between agencies and governments for the benefit of the people.

Pictured below is the January 2020 PTVN Citizen Ambassador Tour including Rotarians Jerilyn Brusseau, Matt Albertson (both Seattle Rotary), Ed Sterner and Larry French (both Lake Forest Park Rotary).

A Citizen Ambassador's Tour to Vietnam is being organized for 2022 pending the World's health. It will be about 14 days and explore into the remote hillsides of Vietnam to meet the people and dedicate the Cua School, and will include major historical sites and cultural visits. Having traveled a great deal myself, the 2020 tour was the most moving and important trip of my lifetime. Details will be available later this year.



PeaceTrees[™]
VietNam





Rotary Club of Kirkland Downtown Annual Golf Tournament



A great time at the Rotary Club of Kirkland Downtown's (RCKD) annual Golf Tournament at Willows Run Golf Complex in Redmond!

We had a blast and raised money that will go directly to helping people in need in our community and abroad. Thank you to all our Sponsors, Evergreen Health, Frontier Door & Cabinet, Eggerman Law Firm PS, Eden Custom Builders, Ottum Enterprises, Patrick A. Trudell PS, Tutta Bella, NW University, NW Travel, Northwestern Mutual Puget Sound, Kirkland Tire Pros & Auto Repair, First Underwriters, Banner Bank, and Seattle Thread Company, and the local businesses that donated auction items. We couldn't have done it without you all!



~ OPINION ~

Decentralized Finance: The Ultimate Equalizer

~ by Alvaro Jimenez, Seattle #4

Technology impacts every single aspect of our lives, every single industry, and every single agent in the system; either directly or indirectly. The biggest changes in human history, and the biggest wealth creation have happened, and continue to happen, through technology. The famous industrial revolution is now completely overshadowed by the new realms of possibility that the internet brought to traditional industries. In a similar manner, the financial system as we know it today might be completely redefined by the new infrastructure, financial vehicles, automation, and efficiencies that decentralized finance is already offering. [READ MORE](#)

Downtown Kirkland Rotary

Another special delivery to the Bunny Wilburn Home (BWH) today with more clothing for their Clothes Closet! AND a check from the Rotary Club of Kirkland Downtown (RCKD) to help them in their efforts to provide advocacy, support, and assistance to local women in need who have exited trauma situations. A great organization run by good people. AND, thank you to friends and family who cleaned out their closets and brought us bags and bags of clothing and shoes for this drive.



Sammamish Rotary



Sammamish Rotary will be collecting greatly needed items for [Issaquah Food and Clothing Bank](#) at each of the [Concerts in the Park](#) this

summer. We need:

- [Infants/toddlers](#): Size 5 diapers, size 6 diapers, and pull-ups
- [Seniors](#): Ensure or Boost protein drinks
- [Everybody](#): Canned refried beans

Concerts are scheduled Thursday evenings between July 22 and August 26 at 6:30 PM at Beaver Lake Park Ballfields, 2526 244th Ave. SE, Sammamish, WA 98075.

Look for the Rotary banners and stop by to say hello. Cash donations for the Food & Clothing Bank will also be accepted.

Lake Union Rotary's LIVE Happy Hour for Good is a Win-Win!

Lake Union Rotary was buoyed to have so many Rotarians support the first LIVE Happy Hour for Good in two years! Hosted by the Club's hard-working members out on the dock at the Center for Wooden Boats, the sold-out event included online bidders at a mini-auction and saw the 60-70 participants who attended enjoying wine, beer, appetizers, good camaraderie, and a gorgeous summer evening. Joined by new District Governor Howard Cohen and 3 past DGs, guests cheered live smooth jazz featuring award-winning saxophonist Jeff Kashiwa. To support the Club's efforts, Homestreet Bank, Georgetown Brewery, and Lake Union member Jean Withers sponsored the event. Proceeds went to the Club's 501C(3) foundation.



Most importantly, between a dozen silent auction offers and four big fun events (think Hamilton tickets, weekend getaways, and the chance to drive a red classic Miata convertible for a week), Lake Union raised more than \$15,000 in two hours. 100% of the proceeds from the

evening will go towards Rotary global and community projects. One of those local projects was featured at the Happy Hour for Good. Determined to raise funds to build Tiny Houses for the homeless in collaboration with Sound Foundations NW this Rotary year, Lake Union dedicated a lively five-minute "Raise the Paddle" break that saw Rotarians promising \$3-5,000 to sponsor a complete Tiny House!



2021 Lake Union Rotary

Rotary Club of Edmonds



Congratulations to Valerie Claypool for being recognized as our club's newest Paul Harris Fellow! Celebrating with Valerie are Nikki Dickerson, club president and Mike Montgomery, past Rotary Foundation Chair.

District 5030 Committees

Are you interested in getting involved with a District committee to serve all clubs within District 5030? We have many from which to choose. Each committee already has a chairperson, but we need talented, committed individuals like you.

If you would like more information, send an email to RotaryDistrict5030@gmail.com. Be sure to put the name of the committee in your email and it will be forwarded to the chair of that committee.

- Membership
- District Rotary Foundation
- Vocational Chair
- Youth Service
 - RYLA
 - Interact
 - Youth Exchange
- District Trainer
- Public Image
- Peacebuilder
- Environmental Sustainability
- International Service
- District Visioning
- DACdb "Help Desk"
- Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
- Rotary-Toastmasters Alliance
- Empowering Girls
- Literacy
- Vocational Service
- District Conference

Did you know?

A Spoonful of Sugar



The very famous Mary Poppins song "A Spoonful of Sugar" was actually inspired by the polio vaccine. Songwriter Robert Sherman was having a hard time coming up with a catchy song for Julie Andrews hit movie. Inspiration struck him one night when his children told him all about their polio vaccine they received at school. They said it didn't hurt because the polio vaccine was placed on a sugar cube.

The Four Way Test

Herbert J. Taylor, president, Rotary Club of Chicago, 1939-40 and Rotary International 1954-55. He lived from 1893 to 1978. During a business crisis in 1932, he wrote the "Four Way Test". It was adopted as part of Rotary International in January of 1943.

THE FOUR WAY TEST

Of the things Rotarians think, say or do

- 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?*



Remembering the many Members of Rotary
no longer with us this New Rotary Year.
Thank you for your service...



Barbara Mauer, Past President of Burien-White Center Rotary Club passed away last week. She joined the club in 1992. Her husband is Seattle 4 Rotarian, Gerry Mauer. Barbara was active in a variety of projects and District initiatives over the years, from Rotary Academy to hosting GSE. Barbara was a Paul Harris Fellow.



Warren Bradbury, 1938 - 1921 Warren passed away on May 21 of this year. He was a graduate of Edmonds High School, and graduated from the UW. Warren was an important part of our Rotary Club from 1974 until his death. He served as Scholarship Chair for over 20 years. Even as he began to slow down with age, he was always there to do his share in whatever way he could, a great role model for anyone who wants to be called a Rotarian. He was also a Paul Harris Fellow, many times over. One of the things we remember about Warren was his positive outlook and wonderful (quiet) sense of humor.

