

District Newsletter

October 2021

Howard Cohen District Governor

RI's Special Observance Month: Economic and Community Development

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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

Welcome to October's Economic & Community Development Month!

Globally, nearly 1.4 billion employed people live on less than \$1.25 a day. Like you and I, Rotarians worldwide work to promote economic and community development and reduce poverty in underserved communities through training, well-paying jobs, and access to financial management institutions. Projects range from providing people with equipment to vocational training. Our members work to strengthen local entrepreneurs and community leaders, particularly women, in impoverished communities. While at a past Rotary International Convention, I visited a Micro Finance booth in the House of Friendship and learned of a woman who borrowed the USA equivalent of \$5 and bought her husband a comb and a pair of scissors. Her husband started cutting hair and now supports his family, all due to the microloan. What stories have you heard and shared with others about the fantastic benefits of Micro Financing?

We can promote economic development here at home in our communities by expanding vocational training opportunities through local schools and community colleges. We can broaden our club's scholarship programs to include post-secondary vocational training programs. We can mentor and support minority-owned businesses. And so much more!

Locally, we are all too familiar with encampments throughout our district. These encampments are unsafe and unhealthy to the passers-by as well as the individuals living in those conditions. These encampments discourage tourists from visiting and returning to our area, chasing away existing residents and businesses, and prevent prospective companies from starting or relocating to our region. One example of our district's commitment to being part of the solution to improving the health of our economy and community development is to provide Tiny Homes to offer a "Hand-Up" to get people out

of encampments and into transitional and eventually permanent homes. This month, the district is starting to participate in a Tiny Home building project on the third Sunday of each month. Each group has limit of 15 volunteers. For further information and to register, <u>sign up here</u>.

SERVE TO

CHANGE LIVES

Our community is only as strong as its residents. Everyone in our society needs to know that they can reach their potential if treated equally and fairly. Each day, I wake up thinking about Rotary International President Shekhar Mehta's major Presidential Initiative of Empowering Girls. We need to work together to, once and for all, close the neverending historical chapter on the unfair gender -biased wage variances. Private and public businesses must offer Equal Pay for Equal Work to everyone regardless of gender and all other differences in the workforce. Our newly formed District 5030 Empowering Girls Committee, chaired by Seattle 4's Suzanne Griffin, Ph.D., is working hard to bring awareness and projects to clubs locally and globally, including Career Mentoring for Girls. This new program is the first of many steps to make our community and world better to live and succeed.

Throughout our district's 49 Rotary Clubs, 6 Rotaract Clubs, and 23 Interact clubs, consisting of almost 2,300 Rotarians, I am sure there are endless projects and stories of successful ways to teach, improve, and share ideas of Economic and Community Development locally and around the globe. I invite you to email me

(<u>hcohen@clisehotels.com</u>) your thoughts, which I will compile and report back in future District Newsletters.

Join me this month in embracing and championing Economic and Community Development locally and globally! Together, we can *Serve to Change Lives*.

Gawai

Howard Cohen, DG



<u>#GlobalCitizenLive</u> was a success! Thanks to President-elect Jennifer Jones on her inspiring speech and to all who watched. Creating opportunity for all is an important element of <u>#Rotary</u>, and we're glad so many of you joined the conversation.

Watch Jennifer's speech here: on.rotary.org/gcl



A Message from D5030 Rotaract Representative Mia Harris

Give a student a book, we teach them how to read.

Providing students with recognition, we encourage others to learn.

Awarding student scholarships, we are granting them an opportunity to educate others.

Clubs in our District have:

- Opened schools, especially all girl schools
- Taught adults and children to read
- Provided dictionaries to third graders
- Built libraries
- Provide lunch (food/water) at schools
- Created little libraries in neighborhoods

Every project is an act to support literacy.

Every Rotarian creates a ripple effect throughout our communities, one by one.

Special Message from RI on Afghanistan & the Fight

to End Polio by Mike McGovern, Polio Plus Committee Chair

Because so many of you have expressed concern about the polio situation in Afghanistan with the takeover of the country by the Taliban, we are publishing this special edition to share an official statement we received yesterday from Mike McGovern, chair of Rotary International's Polio Plus Committee.

We thought it important enough to publish now to hopefully allay concerns some folks may be having. The statement follows: As the sun rose on Jan. 1, 2021, we all worried about what this new year would bring. For those of us who closely follow polio eradication progress, it was an especially worrisome.

The past two years — 2020 and 2019 — had seen an uptick in wild polio virus cases and in circulating vaccine-derived cases.

Polio vaccinations had to be suspended for a while in 2020 due to the coronavirus and vaccines for Covid-19 were just starting to receive early use approvals. The polio news was especially bad in Afghanistan.

On the very first day of 2021, a wild polio virus case was reported. In the next week, the national health minister was fired due to hints of corruption on non-polio makers. Before month's end, the government of Afghanistan ordered the UNICEF polio lead to leave the country relating to a verbal spat that had occurred in the president's office.

Then in March and June there were coordinated attacks on polio workers and their security teams that left eight families having lost loved ones. The Taliban denied responsibility for the attacks, and it appeared the attacks were attributed to elements who supported ISIS or ISIL as they are also known.

We also noted that some areas of the country had been subject to over 30 months of a ban on house-to-house polio vaccinations. While all this was going on other activities were occurring which have been mostly unreported.

On January 17, the Regional Directors of WHO and UNICEF met at the Taliban office in Doha, Qatar to discuss polio vaccinations and covid response in the areas controlled by the Taliban. While house to house polio vaccinations were not agreed to, the seven senior members of Taliban leadership indicated support for other measures to provide vaccination activities.

In all areas of the country, health screenings continued unabated, which showed no new wild polio cases and no positive identification of polio viruses in the environment. In a zoom call of polio partnership leaders the week of August 17, Aidan O'Leary, the global WHO polio director, noted that Afghanistan has one of the best programs for polio surveillance in the world and it was not finding polio anywhere.

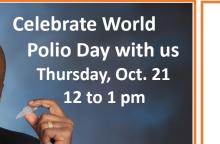
After the fall of the Afghanistan government in mid-August, the new leadership has agreed to keep on the acting health minister who has been effective in righting the program since February. Taliban leaders have visited the national and regional polio offices and pledged their support for the polio eradication program.

On August 23, a Rotary-sponsored roadside vaccination hut provided vaccinations to children under five with local Taliban providing the needed security. For security reasons, I will not share the photos I received but it was good to see the Rotary logo doing good in the world.

Rotary has just 35 members in Afghanistan. They inspire me daily with their courage and perseverance. The polio program has always been politically neutral in every country. Rotary and our partners work with the leaders who are in charge. We now work with new leaders in Afghanistan.

Rotary funds WHO and UNICEF. We do not send any funds to the governments nor to groups other than WHO and UNICEF. We monitor the spending they do on our behalf very closely.

We have never been closer to eradicating polio in Afghanistan. We will continue to work with the Afghani people and our partners to finish what we began over 35 years ago.



BILL&MELINDA GATES foundation DISCOVERY CENTER

World Polio Day 2021: Delivering on a Promise – A Polio Free World is in Reach Thursday, Oct. 21 | 12 to 1 pm PST

>RSVP Now

Join the Discovery Center and Rotary International for a virtual event commemorating World Polio Day 2021. Delivering on a Promise – A Polio Free World is in Reach will be an opportunity

to celebrate progress in the fight against the disease and discuss the obstacles that remain to achieve a polio-free world.

Learn how the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation polio program has supported efforts to curb the COVID-19 pandemic. Listen to a discussion about a new polio eradication strategy launched earlier this year. Engage with Ralph Munro, a Rotarian who has been on many vaccination campaigns in Ethiopia and staff from the foundation's polio team.

Moderated by <u>Mark Wright</u>, former Seattle Rotary President and KING 5 evening anchor.

LFP Rotary & LAKE FOREST BAR & GRILL are teaming up to host a 'NO MORE POLIO' Night

It's a celebration to END POLIO

Tuesday, October 26th, 5-9 PM

20% of <u>all</u> proceeds will go to the eradication of polio Come dine with us... Buy a gift card Do Take-out

> www.lakeforestparkrotary.com www.neighborhoodgrills.com



Take action for World Polio Day!

Rotary International President Shekhar Mehta says that polio eradication *can* be achieved if Rotary members stay committed. He calls on every club to offer support this <u>World</u> <u>Polio Day</u>. Watch and share President Mehta's World Polio Day video message.

Watch the video

You are invited to a celebration of World Polio Day at Rotary Club of Fremont on October 19, 2021!

World Polio Day is October 24. We are so close to ending polio because of our volunteers world-wide.

We meet at Hale's Brewery and Family Restaurant from 5:30 - 7 PM, upstairs in the banquet room. We will have complimentary refreshments and a guest speaker.

We ask that you please attend with a friend or two. Families and children are welcome! This is an outreach event to share the great work of Rotary International. RSVP to Beth Tesh. <u>teshb@comcast.net</u>

Join in the Celebration Events <u>YOU</u> can attend on this page.



Inspire action - Take action for World Polio Day by promoting the importance of polio eradication, raising funds, and planning events. Let's engage our communities in the fight against polio — because as long as polio exists anywhere, it remains a threat everywhere.

Use the <u>World Polio Day Toolkit</u> to find resources and tips for planning activities and promoting a polio-free world. Inspire others to join us by hosting virtual and community events, creating fundraisers, and sharing posts on social media.



Build TINY HOUSES with fellow Rotarians every 3rd Sunday from 9 AM to 2 PM. Maximum limit of 15 people*. Email DG Howard Cohen to sign up. <u>hcohen@clisehotels.com</u>

*Must be vaccinated and wear a mask.

Welcome to Our Rotary Family

In case you missed it, we have FOUR new Rotary Clubs in D5030!

- North Creek Rotary Club
- SE Seattle Rotary Club
- PNW Fighting Sex Trafficking Rotary Club
- Environmental Club of Puget Sound
- More info coming next month.

New Member Orientation and Social

Tuesday, November 17 5:00-6:00 PM on Zoom



Welcome to the great big world of Rotary! Join this session to meet fellow Rotarians from across the District, learn more about our organization, and receive a great info guide and resource booklet.

Zoom link to register: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/ tJAvf--urjlqHNZnn_EumB80D2FMHA3XUb6u



If you are eligible and can **donate blood make sure** you go to your nearest Bloodworks location. Tell them Rotary sent you so we get credit. It's simple. Just give them the code **5030** at check-in.

Click the link to schedule your appointment. https://schedule.bloodworksnw.org/DonorPortal/Default.aspx

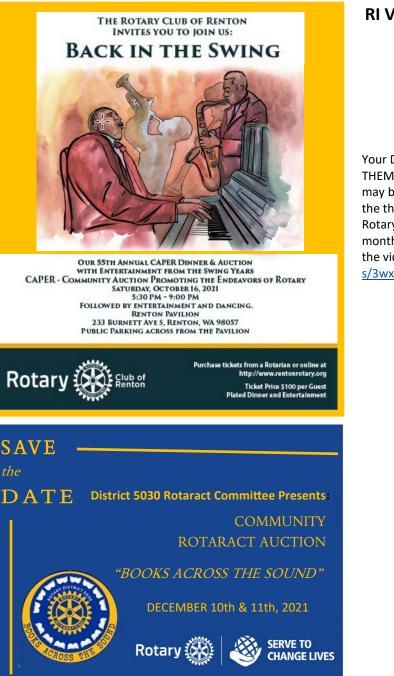




The Environmental Rotary Club of Puget Sound is pleased to present a virtual movie night as a fundraiser co-hosted by the Wild Fish Conservancy Northwest. We request a \$5 donation to get the link to the movie, but you are welcome to donate more to this great organization! Wild Fish Conservancy will receive the proceeds from the donations made.

We will show the movie *The Serengeti Rules*. It is a film about a group of scientists who redefined biology by understanding that certain species are critical to ecosystems, and that if you remove these important species, known as keystone species, ecosystems change dramatically. But if reintroduced, ecosystems can re balance.

Ticket holders will receive a zoom link to view the film at **7 p.m. on November 6, 2021**. Please get more information and buy tickets here. (link: <u>https://www.givsum.com/</u> <u>opportunities/november-movie-night-the-serengeti-rules-</u> <u>f2eb0d691</u>)



Books Across the Sound

Rotaract Clubs around our district are coming together to host a community auction. The auction is focused on increasing DEI (Diversity, Equity & Inclusivity) literacy in our local school districts. Participate and your local schools will benefit. You can help by donating an item for auction and/or joining in on the auction fun December 10th and 11th. For more information, contact District Rotaract Representative Mia Harris. rotary.harris@gmail.com

Join the members only <u>Rotarians of</u> <u>District 5030 Facebook page</u>, and watch Mia talk about the event. <u>Click here to</u> watch Mia talk about the event.



RI Video: Rotary Supports Local Economies



Your D5030 Public Image Team is focusing on the ROTARY THEME MONTHS. Each month, we will provide a template that may be used by each club along with a video celebrating each of the theme months. This is a coordinated effort with Rotary International, our District 5030, and our clubs. This month is "Economic and Community Development"...Check out the video above or click here: <u>https://www.dropbox.com/</u> <u>s/3wxg79cixx20ov0/October.mp4?dl=0</u>

Save the Date RYLA Northwest will be June 8 - 11, 2022 at YMCA Camp Colman! \$415/Student



Students must be in grades 10 & 11 (age 16 & 17) and may not be 18 years or older on June 8, 2022.

What's different about the 2022 RYLA?

- No limit on the # of students a club can send
- Students will be sleeping in cabins
- Outdoor experiences (such as ropes courses) will further enrich the leadership experience
- No refunds will be allowed per our agreement with the YMCA

More info will be available on the RYLA Northwest website, <u>rylanw.org</u>, including informational Zoom calls for Parents, Students and Rotary Clubs!



Interested in helping with District 5030/5020 RYLA?

RYLA is a yearly leadership camp for high school students, hosted by Rotary and Rotaract, with the goal to create the leaders of the futures.

They need a couple facilitators (camp councilors)... no experience required. Your job would be to share your experience on what it means to be a strong and effective leader both professionally and privately.

If you are interested in applying, you can do so on this form. <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/</u> <u>e/1FAIpQLSclbcnyiCsEuOnLKkKuHk9YQc55oYg7gxP_IDuVWbezr</u> <u>Nn_Gw/viewform</u>

D5030 COVID-19 Task Force Update

Considering the humanitarian crisis presented by the global impacts of COVID-19, 5030's Vaccine Task Force, Greater Pacific Industries and Evergreen Health Foundation brokered a partnership between several local Rotary clubs, two humanitarian organizations and a global corporation to aid COVID-19 response efforts.

In August, both Greater Pacific Industries and Evergreen Health Foundation donated 30,000 face shields and 300,480 KN95 face masks to Act of Humanity, an international humanitarian organization. Act of Humanity coordinated the distribution of these protective supplies to ensure they reach medical facilities and communities where they are needed most.

As part of their commitment to international and national goodwill and global problem-solving, several Seattle area Rotary clubs underwrote the expenses of \$7,600 related to shipping the supplies to Act of Humanity.

A special thanks to Bellevue Breakfast Rotary Club, Renton Rotary Club, SeaTac Rotary Club, Vashon Island Rotary Club and Rotary District 5030 for their generosity.

While the fight against COVID-19 continues across the globe, this collaborative effort will provide critical relief for those at the forefront of the pandemic, while also serving as a reminder of what's possible when we all work together. ~ Kaj Pedersen, DGN & Covid-19 Task Force Chair



HEADLINE: Rotary District 5030 Vision Facilitation Committee Seeks Tech Host

The Rotary District 5030 Vision Facilitation Committee is seeking an additional member with tech background and experience to help us host online visioning and strategic planning sessions with clubs in our district. The "Tech Host" will host Zoom meetings, manage breakout sessions, ensure screen sharing and PowerPoint presentations operate smoothly, and manage Survey Monkey surveys within and outside Zoom meetings. Time commitment is approximately six hours per club served. Learn more by contacting District 5030 Vision Facilitation Chair Leo Muller at Imuller@choices.org or 206-300-6802. Thank you!

The Lessons of Ubuntu: District 5030's Fall PeaceBuilding Book Club

I hope you will join me for a VERY special fall book club read.

Ubuntu. I am because we are. The universal bond of sharing that connects all humanity.

This fall, let's come together for a very special PeaceBuilding Book Club selection, *The Lessons of Ubuntu* by Mark Mathabane.

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We will offer book club discussions virtually in October.

https://www.simonandschuster.com/ books/The-Lessons-of-Ubuntu/Mark-Mathabane/9781510712614

Spread the word to your fellow Rotarians. If you are interested in joining our fall book club gatherings, email Jessica at <u>RotaryPeace5030@gmail.com</u>

Women's Career Day

Rotarians and engaged in a wide variety of professions. Many have worked at different levels within their profession before attaining leadership positions. Rotarians are frequently among the invited speakers for high school career days. Your club can contribute to the empowerment of girls by ensuring that the high schools in your community are aware that both women and men in your club are available to speak about their careers to high school juniors and seniors. It can be a life changing experience for young girls to hear presentations from women who hold positions that girls may have previously only associated with men.

Your club might also work with local high schools to organize a Women's Career Day to expand young girls' awareness of vocational opportunities.

Suzanne M. Griffin, Ph.D. Seattle 4 Rotarian Chairperson, District 5030 Empowering Girls Committee





Seattle Rotary to Host 2022 Seattle Mayoral Debate Wednesday, October 13 Noon To 1:00 PM - On Zoom



Mark Wright King TV Anchor and past Seattle 4 President, will moderate a debate between the two finalists for Seattle Mayor:

Lorena Gonzalez, at-Large Member Seattle City Council Position 9 and current City Council President.

Bruce Harrell, City Council Member elected in 2007, 2011, and 2015, and selected by fellow Council Members as City Council President in 2016, subsequently serving as Interim Mayor, in 2016.

This program will offer a contrast between the two candidates as they explain why each wants to serve as Mayor of Seattle, what they see as their strengths, what they see as the most important issues facing City leadership, and what they plan to prioritize in helping Seattle restore the Downtown, effectively address homelessness, and improve public safety for all citizens.

Join on Zoom click HERE

Or dial in on your phone: (253) 215 8782 Meeting ID: 259 970 584



Sure, it was a little scary, but we all rolled up our sleeves and put an end to Polio. Not just for ourselves, but for all of humanity.

Some Upcoming Speakers



West Seattle Rotary's Focus on DEI

Tuesday, October 19 12:00 noon - Zoom Meeting

West Seattle Log House Museum History and Culture. Michael King, Executive Director of Southwest Seattle Historical Society. **Join on Zoom:**

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87535573274? pwd=LzIGYWRyK01ZU2RjQVVydEpGdC8vdz09 Meeting ID: 875 3557 3274 Passcode: WSR3rdT

University District Rotary

Friday, October 22 12:00 noon - Zoom Meeting



Dr. Quinton Morris enjoys a multifaceted career as a concert violinist, educator, filmmaker and entrepreneur. He performs solo concerti/ recitals and chamber music and presents lectures worldwide.

Dr. Morris is the founder of <u>Key to</u> <u>Change</u>. Their Mission: Inspiring underserved youth through world-class music instruction and supporting their



development as self-aware leaders.

Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/ j/87528482798? pwd=MINva2dodXZJM2NNZjZsbWhjYzNi Zz09

Our New District Project, Bold 4 Blood,

Needs Help from Our Clubs!



We would like to keep track of names and

donation times for members, as well as for those unable to donate for whatever reasons. Do you have a volunteer in your club to assist me with this? I would add this information to my spreadsheet. Thank you so much! Beth Tesh, Champion. <u>RotaryDistrict5030@gmail.com</u>



Rotary Youth Exchange; Enhancing the Lives of Young People

Has your club been thinking about participating in Rotary Youth Exchange? Are you interested in learning about the program for a young person you know? Join the District's Rotary Youth Exchange committee to learn more about this impactful opportunity.

Zoom registration link: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/ tJcoce2ppjsqE9Kn4AbuQWuhswKL89QIW N



This UW monthly series is dedicated to examining forces and trends that create disparities and division in our communities and exploring how we can act locally to find common ground and build together.

Wed., Oct. 13 : 6-7:30 PM

LEARN MORE

Dr. Benjamin Danielson, UW Medicine Conversation focus: youth, opportunity and justice.



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The Environmental Rotary Club completed its first district grant project on September 27, 2021, when volunteers worked to assemble a picnic table and pergola on the Horse Neck Farm food bank farm in Kent.

Rotarians from Shoreline Rotary and Federal Way Rotary joined members from the Environmental Rotary Club of Puget Sound to assemble a pergola and picnic table for use by volunteers at the Horseneck farm in Kent. The farm is a project of the South King County Food Coalition. Produce grown on the farm goes exclusively to South King County Food banks. A District 5030 Community Needs Grant provided funding for the project.



Why are fossil fuels so hard to quit?

Samantha Gross, a fellow at Brookings Institute, was asked by a reporter: *We know that oil contributes to climate change and other environmental problems. Why do we still use it? Why don't we just quit already?* She wrote a very interesting paper answering the question ending with an interactive game: **A Quandary for the**



President where you can test your ability to quit fossil fuels while increasing GDP and enjoying a 60% public approval rating. Give it a try! <u>https://www.brookings.edu/essay/why-are-fossil-fuels-so-hard-to-quit/</u>

~ Environmental Sustainability, Ed Belcher LFP Rotary Club



North Creek Rotary made a stellar appearance Sept. 20th at The Bread Booth event to help distribute much needed food to many in our local community. Huge thanks to our own Tom, founder Jean for being so welcoming to me and my kids, and



to all the other amazing helpers who showed up early for setup, then served as many folks as possible as they came through and gathered what they needed. This is what we're all about. ~ Brian Trendler

Issaquah Rotary's Creative Idea During Covid...



How does Issaquah Rotary respond when yet another fundraiser is cancelled due to COVID? We ESCAPE, of course! Since big events aren't happening, we went small. Our "5 Minute Escape Room" was inspired by the globally-popular escape experiences, just much, much smaller. It is fun, fast and full-on Rotary as the theme is the 4 Way Test. Alpha testing with club members happened at a recent pub night meeting. The beta test was at the Issaquah Teen Garage, with a bunch of teens solving the puzzle and learning what we do as Rotarians. Next stop will be the Salmon Days Festival in early October. There will be a voluntary donation, but the real aim is to educate the thousands that attend Salmon Days a couple people at a time. Future plans to stage the 5 Minute Escape Room are still being developed. Can YOU find your way out?

Coming UP (Save the Date) - Clubs in ACTION!



Christmas Tree sales to Fund Scholarships

More information: Sammamishrotary.org OR Rotarytrees.org Contact: Mardie Rhodes mardie.rhodes@sammamishrotary.org

Sammamish Rotarians will be selling freshly cut Christmas trees at Pine Lake Park (2401 228th Ave SE in Sammamish). Proceeds from tree sales will help fund local scholarships.

Four types of trees – Noble, Douglas Fir, Fraser Fir, and Nordmann with sizes from 4/5' to 8/9' all freshly cut from a Washington state supplier. The lot will be open from Nov. 26 to Dec. 19. Hours are Wednesday-Friday 5-8 p.m., Saturday/ Sunday 12-8 p.m., closed Monday and Tuesday for restocking. The lot will be open for special hours on November 26 (Black Friday) 12-5 p.m.

Last year was a banner year for tree sales and with this summer's drought, fresh trees are in high demand. We're pleased we found this local supplier and partner." says Jon Gerace, President-elect and tree lot chairman.

The tree lot will be staffed entirely by volunteers with 100% of the profit going to help fund scholarships for graduating seniors

at three Sammamish high schools, Lake Washington Institute of Technology and Renton Rotarylre Technical College.



Just Shred It!

Saturday, October 23, - 10 AM to 1 PM at KeyBank Parking Lot, 34th Ave W. & W. McGraw St. (behind the branch) (ENTER OFF OF WEST McGRAW STREET)



All Residences and Businesses are invited to bring their important papers to be commercially shredded. Save time and effort while gaining peace of mind that your important papers and information is disposed of in a safe and professional manner.

- Get rid of all those old tax records (Any older than 2013)
- Protect your identity; don't toss credit card receipts in recycle
- Clean out your old files
- Save time and effort, let us shred it for you
- Donations benefit our 501 (c) (3) Rotary Club of Magnolia Charitable Foundation which returns 90% of its funds annually to the Magnolia Community

The shredding truck is available first come first serve, a Ten Dollar Donation per box is suggested. All items are mulched and recycled. Contact Bryce McWalter for additional information: 206-283-2037, email: info@magnoliarotary.org

Covid-19 restrictions: Please wear a face mask to the Shredding event, stay in your car and let our workers remove boxes and bags for shredding. Contributions may be given to the worker handing your automobile. Thank you for your support of Rotary.

Sponsor a Wreath to be placed in honor of our American heroes during **National Wreaths Across** America Day



REMEMBER our fallen U.S. veterans **HONOR** those who serve TEACH our children the value of freedom

The Rotary Club of Magnolia is supporting Wreaths Across America, as a community service and a fundraising event. The wreath laying will take place on December 18. We are asking Rotarians to purchase wreaths for this year's National Wreaths Across America. Your \$15 dollar donation will sponsor one wreath. DONATE HERE: Wreaths Across America. The cut off date for orders is Nov. 30.

For more Information please contact J. Bryce McWalter, Rotary Club of Magnolia, 206-283-2037 or info@magnoliarotary.org

Our Clubs & Rotarians in ACTION!

Sound Rotary

Rotary Club of SeaTac-Tukwila Environmental Club of Puget

Stuffing the bus so NO child goes hungry in Tukwila



The Seattle-International District Rotary Club hosted a table at the CID Niaht Market on Sept. 25th. The weather was perfect, event packed, especially in the area where we were next to all the food. Lots of kids and adults stopped by to play the games and get info about our club. "~ Amy Orr





Rotary 🙀 Club of Mill Cree LITTLE FREE LIBRARY

The RC of Mill Creek is launching its Little Free Library project by setting up a book cart at the Mill

Creek Community Food Bank starting on September 20 at 12:30 pm. This Little Free Library will hold at least 100 children's books available for FREE to promote literacy in our area!

The goal is to provide access to books for low-income children who lack access. We believe literacy is a right, not a privilege. If you wish to get involved, please contact us today.

What do you do when touring in Egypt? Rotary Club Alexandria Cosmopolitan meeting. 10 clubs from around the are represented here vowing to collaborate on projects to change lives with Debbie and Trond Bodal (Lynnwood and Emerald City Rotary).



My local Rotary group and I volunteered at REST (Real Escape from the Sex Trade) today. This is this drop in center at Columbia city. We moved furniture and did yard work. ~ John Raybar

Rotary Club of Kirkland Downtown

The Rotary Club of Kirkland Downtown (RCKD) has been helping the Bunny Wilburn Home in Seattle, with clothing and hygiene drives to meet increasing needs since they opened their shelter last year for women coming out of trauma situations. They provide a 24/7 stable environment, case management support, advocacy, training, resources, three meals a day, showers, and laundry facilities, for up to 40 women to heal, learn, and grow. They also connect them with other needed services and help them transition to permanent housing. BWH is in need of the following items as we move into the winter months:

- Women's underwear (all sizes)
- Twin Fitted and Flat Sheets. and Comforters
- Socks, Shoes, Slippers
- **Hygiene Products**
- Combs/Hair Brushes
- Bath Towels (all sizes)
- Hats, Scarves, Gloves, Women's Clothing (all sizes, gently used, casual, business casual, no coats)

RCKD will be doing another hygiene drive this month. If your Club can help with the others items, please coordinate your donation with Ellen Nugent-Pentecost, Operations Assistant, BWH, 206-329-5433 x5034, EllenNP@ccsww.org.





Rotary Club of Puget Sound Club Secretary, Kristina helped to wave the Rotary flag on Saturday at the North City Park work Party. Thanks to the Rotary Club for supporting the forest restoration work at North City Park!!



Rotarians Having FUN... Rotarians in ACTION!



Seattle Rotary #4



Einer Handeland shared his dahlia garden for a wonderful fellowship event for Seattle Rotary #4.



Rotary View Point Totem Park: 2018 to 2021: then and now. Work to be done.





Oktoberfest was a Smashing Success!

The weather was spectacular, food was delicious, fellowship was delightful, the setting was perfect, and the beer was refreshing. See the attached picture for a glimpse of the fun people. I have other pictures if you want to keep them for posterity.

We had a total of 39 celebrants. That was 13 from Bellevue Sunrise club, 1 from Woodinville, 1 from Kirkland, 20 from BBRC and 4 guests.

Thanks to all of you who helped: Shout out to Dustin Walling. He was awesome at setting up our online payment system and adjusting it as needed. Thank you to Bob and Cathy Holert who were the GrillMeisters with help from Steve Waltar. Robin was the beer consultant for Joe and Steve who handled the refreshments. Thanks to Bill Rahr for all of the Sauerkraut. Rotkohl and potato salad. and thanks to everyone who brought all of the other delicious food. The potato salad was overwhelming and the desserts were fabulous. Thanks to Tom Leonidas for the great weather prediction and for coming through with a beautiful October evening. If I missed anyone, thank you from the bottom of my heart.

And of course, a big thank you to Bill and Sue Rahr for being such gracious hosts and for opening their beautiful yard and home for us.



Seattle #4 President Jimmy was knighted by none other than Don Kraft, he himself, a past King Neptune.

Rotary Club of Kirkland Great Puget Sound Duck Dash Break Record!

The Rotary Club of Kirkland's Great Puget Sound Duck Dash came roaring back after a one-year pandemic hiatus. The rubber duckies were eager to race again, and the community turned out to see the Ducks return to Lake Washington during Oktoberfest.

The club aimed to raise at least \$30,000, with 100 percent of the proceeds going right back into the community. Kirklanders purchased 5,163 tickets, and club leaders expect to net over \$34,000 from the Dash, a 10-plus percent increase over 2019.

The Duck Dash funds scholarships for local high school students to help with college, warm winter coats for children who don't have one, the Cross Kirkland Corridor Train Pavilion, Miracle League Baseball for disabled youth, food for Harvest Against Hunger, holiday presents for families who would otherwise go without, and other projects that make Kirkland a better place to live.

"It was great to be back! Every year we count on this event to raise money to benefit our community. Without a fundraiser in 2020, we had a lot to catch up on. It was heartwarming to see the community get behind us to have a successful event," said Amy Mutal, club president-elect and Head Duck.





The district environmental sustainability committee would like to introduce you to a grass roots movement with a goal of having 25% of the world's population take the global climate pledge to do some action item to help reverse the deterioration of our earthly environment.

We are encouraging each Rotarian in District 5030 to take the pledge. Past District Governor Cathy Gibson has taken the pledge as has our current District Governor Howard Cohen and your **District Newsletter Editor Carma** McKay. Members of our district environmental sustainability committee have taken it as well.

A visit to the global climate pledge website is quite eye opening. At the present time 1,265,577 pledges have been made representing 1,313,143,567 people.

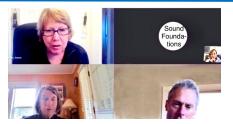


is quite easy to take the pledge. You will see that there are four areas where you can select at least one action to take to help reverse the current course of our deteriorating environment. Under the community section, one of the numerous action items is to vote for positive climate initiatives.

In the home section, an example would be to turn off all lights when not in use. Transportation- one choice is to telecommute. Under nutrition, one action item is to switch from red meat to fish or chicken.

If you do a computer search "Rotary and global climate pledge", you should be able to see the logos of the more than 260 Rotary Clubs world wide that have taken the global climate pledge. You will also learn how the Rotary Climate Action Team Network has partnered with Global Climate Pledge to get Rotarians and others into action to help our planet have a habitable future.

The time for action is now. Let us all take the global climate pledge and take some action step to help regenerate a healthy earthly environment.



Lake Union Rotarians briefed County Councilmember Jeanne Kohl-Welles about dedication Rotarians throughout King County are exhibiting to help mitigate homelessness. These have included building Tiny Homes, writing District grant proposals, partnering on a grant proposal, privately contributing, and building Tiny Homes on the third Sunday of each month with our partner, Sound Foundations NW. The latter monthly 'builds' are organized by District Governor Howard Cohen.

Pictured clockwise from top left are the Councilwoman, Sound Foundations Executive Director Barb Oliver, Lake Union Rotary's Foundation Chair Jean Withers (in miniature), Tiny Homes Lead Advocate on the Club's grant request Chris Hansen, and Lake Union Rotary President Ruth Ann Halford.

First Members of Both Rotaract AND Rotary

Caitlin Devaney joined the Rotaract Club of Bellevue (Eastside) Sept. 1, 2016 and Bellevue **Breakfast Rotary Club** (BBRC) April 14, 2018.

Mia Harris

joined the Rotaract Club of Northshore Sept. 1, 2017 and North Creek Rotary Club Sept. 8, 2021. Mia is also the District Rotaract Representative for 2021 - 2022.

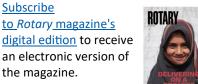


Caitlin Devaney



Mia Harris

Please let Carma McKay know if there are other members in our District who belong to both Rotaract and Rotary.



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Ballard Rotary Turns 75

Congratulations to Ballard Rotary (sponsored by Seattle #4) as they celebrate 75 years of service. Click the link to watch a bit of history about their club. https://

www.facebook.com/100014933294886/ videos/1036817770483045



Ms. Senior Washington USA

We have our very own Rotary Queen of 5030... Patricia Chapman Prez of Duvall Rotary!



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Welcome to the Family of

Rotary

New Members: July 1 - Sept. 30

Alderwood-Terrace Mehmet Sarikaya

<u>Auburn</u> Maureen Sullivan-Larson

<u>Ballard</u> Catherine Lancaster Jeff Ward

Bellevue Mark Sander Ronald Rae James Thomas Alice Bouman-Moscuzza

Bellevue Eastside Rachel Knight

<u>Edmonds</u> Nhat Pham Robby Ostrem Eng Braun Jill Faunce

Edmonds Daybreakers Mark Shebly Karen Shiveley

<u>Enumclaw</u> Andrea Keikkala Shaun Carey Charmaine Jovanovich-Miller

Environmental Club of Puget Sound Philip Schmidt-Pathmann

Federal Way Rod Bristol Brian Gower Sallye Lindsay

<u>Issaquah</u>

Elizabeth Urbasich Dave Halling Matthew Brinton Christine Laux

<u>Kent</u> Eric Miller

<u>Kirkland</u> Mekonen Giorgis Pete Anderson Lake Forest Park Lisa Lasconia Dennis Day Sarah Bernard

Maddy Larson <u>Lynnwood</u> Tseguy Abraha

Adhanom Legesse) <u>Maple Valley</u> Amanda Gross

<u>Mercer Island</u> Pascal Jean-Baptiste Chris Tubbs

Mill Creek Carol Arkell Shirley Kinsey Candice Lambert Colin Ehli Juli Simons Brandon Budd

Brandon Rudd Lindsay Rucker North Creek (New Club)

Lauren Astrup Heather Betts Tom Betts Dave Bondo Sharon Crosby David Croutworst Becky Daily Yusef Hansai Mia Harris Cindy Marscari David Mincks Ashley Ohlson Stramp Ron Ohlson Pam Olson Nicole Otness

Nicole Otness Patty Prentice Rodney Talley Shawna Talley Mike Todd Brian Trendler Mary Kay Voss Justin Weinstein

Northshore Justin Marshall Scott Newton <u>Sea-Tac/Tukwila</u> Chad McNatt Lowell Thomson

Seattle City Rotaract Stephanie Bragdon Jacob Armington Caroline Jones

Seattle #4 Jessica Hennessey Jennifer Hohnstein Glenn Kuper Jr. Alexander Liatsis George Abbott Jenni Cox Catherine Darley Navendra Jha Ashley Burman Christopher Schultz

Seattle-International District Sally English

<u>Shoreline</u> Kenneth Doutt Phillip King Jack Malek Susana Reyes

Snoqualmie Valley Ashlei Lind

University Sunrise Jim Holbery Ted Hunter Vashon Island Jeni Johnson

<u>West Seattle</u> Greg Dirks Travis Hartman

<u>Woodinville</u> Dave Hunter



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





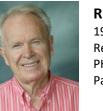
John D. Warner 1940 - 2021 Seattle Rotary



Bob Nachlinger 1947-2021 (9/19/21) Kent



Marge Williams 1938-2021 (9/3/21) Kent



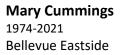
Russ Price 1925-2021 Renton PHF - Paul Harris Fellow Past President



Jan Secor 1944-2021 West Seattle PHF - Paul Harris Fellow

Kirkland







Gail Auslander Passed Away 2021