



Rotary District 5030 Newsletter

June 2021

*"Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change
— across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves."*



Cathy Gibson
District Governor

Looking Back, Looking Ahead

What a remarkable year it has been! Unlike any in our lifetime. Back in January 2020 the theme for this year was announced: "Rotary Opens Opportunities."

What a powerful description of what Rotary does. Indeed, we *are* an opportunities organization! We provide opportunities for service, for friendship, for networking, and for personal and professional development.



Early in the Rotary year, I was frequently reminded of the Albert Einstein quote from a century ago: **"In the midst of great challenge, lies great opportunity."** We all knew it would be a difficult year however that didn't mean it couldn't be a good year. I knew we Rotarians would still seize opportunities, even if they looked different and felt different than what we were used to.

Now reflecting on this unusual year, I would describe 2020-2021 as a year of:

INNOVATION – we were all challenged to try new things, to forego many familiar routines and to re-imagine how we, as Rotarians could stay connected and continue to serve our communities and the world.

FRUSTRATION – there were setbacks, large and small, yet we persevered. On a lighter note, I will not miss the frustration of being reminded yet again to "Unmute"

DETERMINATION – when faced with challenges, Rotarians were focused and determined to prevail – to continue to support each other while also meeting the needs of their communities.

REVELATION – we all end the year with new insights and appreciation for what is possible. We have new skills and lessons learned to bring into our future.

.... and ultimately

CELEBRATION – with gratitude we can celebrate the impact of our service projects this year = almost 500 across our district.

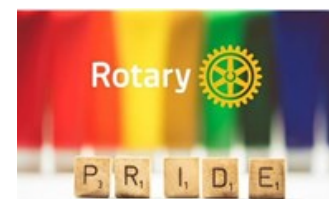
June is Rotary Fellowship Month

... and there are many upcoming opportunities for fellowship, both virtual and in-person.

I invite you to join me for several District-wide events = **Pandemic Leadership Lessons from Deborah Rutter** of the Kennedy Center on Saturday morning, June 26th + **Rotary "Play Days"** on June 26th, 27th & 28th + a **Year-end Celebration & Transition Party** on Monday evening, June 28th. (Details on pages 5 and 8)

Also, of note is the first annual District 5030 observance of **World Environment Day**. This online celebration is tomorrow, June 5th @ 9AM and it's not too late to register: <https://zoom.us/j/91612345678>

Finally, June is Pride Month. Please take time to consider ways to make your club more inclusive for the LGBTQ+ community. There are specific recommendations provided by the LGBT Rotarians and Friends Fellowship on page 7.



On July 1 Howard Cohen steps up to the Governor role. He has assembled an awesome team bringing fresh energy and passion. Please join me in wishing him a successful and rewarding year as he leads us into the "new normal"

So as this unprecedented Rotary year concludes, I look to the poetic words of Amanda Gorman:

*"FOR THERE IS ALWAYS LIGHT,
IF ONLY WE'RE BRAVE ENOUGH TO SEE IT,
IF ONLY WE'RE BRAVE ENOUGH TO BE IT."*

Gorman writes what we Rotarians already know. It's what moved us through a year of challenge and empowered us to truly open opportunities.

Thank you all for an unforgettable year.

Cathy



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June 5th WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

Join the District 5030 Environmental/Sustainability Committee to celebrate World Environment Day 2021! World Environment Day takes place every year on June 5th. It is the United Nations' flagship day for promoting worldwide awareness and action for the environment. Over the years, it has grown to be the largest global platform for environmental public outreach and is celebrated by millions of people across the world.

When: Saturday morning, June 5th @ 9AM

What: An interview with **Denis Hayes**, environmental advocate and coordinator for the first Earth Day in 1970. Hayes has been president of the [Bullitt Foundation](#) since 1992. He continues to be a leader in environmental and energy policy. By mobilizing the resources of The Bullitt Foundation, Hayes intends to make the [Pacific Northwest](#) the best-educated, most environmentally aware, most progressive corner of America—a global model for sustainable development.



Following Denis will be a presentation by two Rotarians from the University District Rotary, **Dave Spicer and Jeff Johnson**. They will discuss the climate crisis and Rotary.

Dave is currently an Assistant Governor and past President of University District Rotary and Lake City Rotary. He is chair for the Environmental Sustainability Committee at his club. He has been involved with 34 international water projects and traveled to five of the six countries to oversee the work.



Jeff, a new member of the University District Rotary Club, runs a scientific consultancy firm. Holds a PhD in Applied Science has contributed to research in various fields including fusion energy, laser-driven particle accelerators, the earth's atmospheric and hydrologic processes, and bioinformatics.

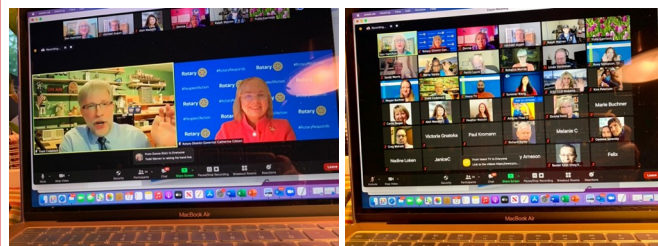


Where: on Zoom (of course)

Register here: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJMIceugrj8vG9AHJNrnVmK9f9zKRxh-b_gf



Celebrating the 1st year of Rotary's local alliance with Toastmasters



During the past year, District 5030 Rotarians teamed up with local Toastmasters for training, networking and online socials. In the year ahead, local Toastmasters will be joining Rotarians in community service projects.

Race Matters to Rotary



Stop Anti-Asian Hate

Wednesday, June 9, 2021

6:00 – 7:30PM

Join the Seattle International District Rotary Club for an open discussion on club collaborations for AAPI projects and support.

http://bit.ly/aapi_sidr

Welcome
NEW MEMBERS

Rotary District 5030

New Member
Orientation and Social

Tuesday June 15, 5:00-6:00 pm

Registration Link: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJEvf-ChqjMoHtH9BtoNjKtr2FQgNi7EfV9C> Once registered you will get the link to login at the scheduled time.



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Many of you will recall that on December 18, 2017, an Amtrak passenger train heading to Portland from Seattle tragically derailed. Passengers were rushed to local hospitals to receive necessary blood transfusions and good citizens responded immediately by rushing into their local blood banks. However, the good citizens were not the heroes in this story. Why? Because they were too late. The real heroes were those who, without any awareness of any special need, had already stocked the shelves with blood so the injured in this tragic accident could be saved.

Co-Champions of Rotary's **Bold For Blood Campaign**, Beth Tesh and Sten Crissey, believe Rotarians should be the heroes of the future.



Beth Tesh Sten Crissey

In the year ahead, the 4th Saturday of every month will be a **Bold 4 Blood Saturday**. We urge eligible Rotarians to go to www.bloodworksnw.org to find a nearby donation site and schedule your appointments. Then on **Bold 4 Blood** Saturdays club members, their family, friends, and co-workers will arrive for their appointments, donate, and have an opportunity to socialize. On arrival, be sure to mention our Rotary code: "Rotary 5030".

View this short video to learn more about the efforts of District 5030 to boost blood donations in our region: <https://youtu.be/6AiSLuOmmkM>



Rotary D5030 Festival of Training

The Festival of Training held throughout the Month of May was a resounding success! The major focus was to prepare our membership for the new Rotary year, which starts July 1st. If you missed the Festival of Training, all workshops are being uploaded to the District YouTube Channel, but it might take a while.

Check in here <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIyEfD5PzwDK0fEX6U691Ow> after June 15th to catch up on any topics you missed. Thank you again to our wonderful presenters for providing great learning opportunities for our District 5030 Rotarians!



**June 16, 2021
5:30PM-6:30PM**



Guest Host: Scott Strong, RC Ballard

Make new connections and introduce your business to other Rotarian businesses.

Register here: <https://zoom.us/join/join?secret=1jwrceChqTsjHNKcJbmgXLL26ZoDVCK11ZCC>

Lake Union Rotary's famous Summer Happy Hours for Good are BACK! LIVE and OUTDOORS.

Come out of hibernation, shed your cocoon, put on actual clothes, and join us! We'll have Food (boxed meals instead of the usual buffet), Beverages (alcoholic and non), Live Music, a silent auction, ONE AMAZING LIVE AUCTION ITEM, Camaraderie, and a gorgeous evening on Lake Union. All for \$45!

Where: The Center for Wooden Boats, on the dock - 1010 Valley Street, Seattle, 98109 (Next to MOHAI) Some parking at CWB. Additional parking on Eastlake with an easy stroll across the walking bridge to MOHAI & CWB

When: July 15, 2021, 6-8 PM

Who: All of you! Friends and Family!

Registration: Register on line at www.happyhour4good.org

Why: This time we are raising funds for our own Lake Union Rotary Foundation which continues to fund Ethiopia water-related projects, in addition to a transition program for former foster youth at the YMCA, and funded pandemic related PPE for Alpha Supported Living, and many programs for food relief during the pandemic. And for a chance to bid on that amazing item which is TWO HAMILTON TICKETS for 2022. And, of course, to have FUN!





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Laurie Black



Seattle 4 Rotarian Laurie Black, CEO & President of The Boys and Girls Club of King County, just received the Blake Nordstrom Humanitarian Award for Corporate Giving Award.

Congratulations Rotary Club of Bellevue!



Zones 26/27
Big West

Best Online Meeting Experience District 5030

*Rotary Club of Bellevue
President Tom Bohman*

Thank you for Consistently providing an engaging online meeting for your members and guests!

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT!!

Felicia Cross



*University District Rotarian Felicia Cross is now the DIRECTOR of Community Engagement for the Seattle Community Police Commission. She is tasked with engaging the community at large in efforts to uplift the voice of the community, as it pertains to police reform efforts and civilian oversight. More good news from Felicia – last month she won the FBI Director's Community Leadership Award!!!
Congratulations, Felicia.*

"EREY" Club Update

EREY is an annual club recognition for clubs that achieve a minimum average contribution of \$100 per member to the The Rotary Foundation Annual Fund plus have 100% of members personally contribute at least \$25 to the Annual Fund during that Rotary year. As of May 31, there are **five clubs** that have achieved EREY status.

EVERY
ROTARIAN
EVERY
YEAR



CONGRATULATIONS
to the Rotary Clubs of
Duvall
Kirkland
Lake Union Neighborhood
Sammamish
Seattle Northeast

But, why the photo of the Copperworks Whiskey? As an incentive, the Bellevue Breakfast Rotary Club offered the first five clubs to achieve EREY status in 2020-2021 a real bottle of Copperworks Whiskey. **Remember: there is still the entire month of June remaining to achieve EREY status for your club!**

Federal Bureau of Investigation Certificate of Excellence

is awarded to
Felicia D. Cross

For extraordinary contribution and dedication
to service in your community.

May 1, 2021

Donald M. Visser
Special Agent in Charge
Seattle Division





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**Rotary Opens
Opportunities**

Celebrate this once-in-a-lifetime Rotary year at the end of June.

Saturday morning June 26th 9AM -10:30AM

Online: <https://zoom.us/j/99940287206>

- Keynote speaker – Deborah Rutter, President, Kennedy Center for the Arts
- Celebrate all new Rotarians who joined in 2020-2021
- District Business Meeting

Saturday afternoon & Sunday, June 27th

District 5030 Play Days = outdoor activities around the District
(details on page 8)

Monday, June 28th at Newcastle Golf Club

1:30PM Golf (*Register before June 14th*)

6:00PM Seattle #4 Hosted Reception

7:00PM Dinner and Program (*RSVP by June 21st*)



For more information and to register, visit: www.rotary5030newcastle.org
Click on **Register Now**; scroll down to **Dinner Entrees**, select your entree and
then Click on **Confirm & Pay**.

JUNE 4 - 8, 2022

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION

The promo rate is only from June 12 - 16, 2021.

Registration will be on the convention website beginning
June 12: convention.rotary.org

A Virtual Event
Join us via ZOOM

"Serving the Community & the World"

Annual
Fundraiser

Friday Night
JUNE 4

6:30 – 7:00 pm (optional)
Pre-event "blind" wine tasting
hosted by Tinte Cellars*

7:00 – 8:30 pm
Entertainment, Speakers, Silent Auction

Purchase Your Event Tickets at CharityAuction.bid/Seatac-Tukwila
Link included for Tinte Cellars to "Purchase Your Wine"

Tinte Cellars
is donating the
cost of the first
100 bottles sold
(Thank you,
Tintel!)

Rotary
Seatac-Tukwila

* Those who participate in the wine tasting will need to purchase their bottles by May 31. Local deliveries only.
We will not know the kind of wine ahead of time.
Our host from Tinte Cellars will help us to explore its characteristics and discover what we are drinking.



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WWW.ROTARYCOVIDRESPONSE.ORG



By now, many of you will have heard the news regarding the move towards reopening of WA state on June 30th. Gov. Inslee also announced that we all counties in WA will move to Phase 3 as defined by the Healthy Washington reopening plan. Getting to Phase 3 for all counties is the start of the process to **getting back to normal**, although it will take some time for everyone to adjust to the new sense of freedom after being constrained for over a year. It comes as no surprise that we will be making more adjustments as Rotarians begin the discussions on how they will meet and gather to continue their important work.

The Vaccine Task Force within 5030 will continue its work to promote the value of **getting back to normal** by encouraging others to secure their vaccine, while also looking for ways to promote the process of re-engaging with your local communities through service and supporting local businesses. We will continue to highlight the opportunities and news through our website: www.RotaryCovidResponse.org and work on establishing partnerships to help spread the good news as WA reopens. We are already in discussions with partners and others to make changes to our website that will help us make the shift to the focus on marketing communications in support of our promotional activities.



Nevertheless, we still have some way to go in WA to make sure we can get to herd community with 45.9% of the state fully vaccinated. This represents a total of 3.5M people who have secured one of the three available vaccines. Although an impressive number it is still short of the 70% required to secure herd immunity within WA state. Therefore, the emphasis for us to communicate the value of the vaccines, and their impact on our wellbeing, based on Rotary's experience with vaccination programs will be the task force's primary focus.

Our most recent updates on the website in May have been talking to the benefits of the vaccines, while helping to demystify the way they are made with the following articles: [Is Gut Feeling Preventing Your Vaccine Decision](#), [Pfizer Vaccine: How the Sausage is Made](#) and [Sun Rise on the Horizon](#). We hope that you find these articles beneficial in your efforts to promote vaccine efficacy and feel free to share the links and your stories across social media; not forgetting to include the following tags **#RotaryResponds**, **#PeopleofAction** and **#Rotary** to expand your impact to a wider audience.

Finally, some of you were able to attend the Festival of Training presentation on the Vaccine Task Force's work session, where Danny Edwards was able to talk to the importance of our work and why it matters for **getting us back to normal**. If you are interested in having Danny or other members of the Vaccine Task Force present our work to your clubs, please do not hesitate to reach out and include our team in your program.

The Pandemic as a Springboard for Leadership Action

Saturday, June 26th @ 9AM

Online: <https://zoom.us/j/99940287206>

The final Rotary District 5030 meeting of 2020-21 kicks-off on the morning of Saturday, June 26th, with a presentation by **Deborah Rutter**, President of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington DC. Her presentation is "Arts Leadership in Action" with a focus on "leadership" during the pandemic not just the arts. But the arts is where she's cut her teeth, of course. Prior to the JFK Center, she was president of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra Association from 2003-2014. Before that and as CEO of the Seattle Symphony Orchestra, Rutter led the design and construction of Seattle's Benaroya Hall, one of the premier concert halls in the world, in 1995.



For more detailed information about work at the Kennedy Center, click [here](#).

District Conference Sept. 29 - Oct. 3, 2021 Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

Registration is now open.
Click the link for more information.

<https://5030conference.com/>

For more information or to join the committee, please contact Conference co-Chair Diane Tebelius dtebelius@lesourd.com or Trent Mummery trent@onetrent.com.





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Pride Month

by Jeff Werthan,
University District Rotary
DEI Task Force Chair



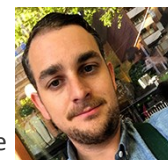
Pride month is celebrated every June in tribute to those involved in the Stonewall Riots. On June 28, 1969, New York City police raided the Stonewall Inn, a gay club in Greenwich Village. The raid resulted in protests, street riots, police beatings and many arrests. The gay community demanded the freedom to move about in the open without fear that sexual orientation might lead to arrest.

June became Pride Month and June 28th became Pride Day. The first Pride march took place in New York City in 1970. Besides the march, there are parades, festivals and concerts around the world. The rainbow flag, an iconic symbol of the Gay Rights movement, was designed in the mid-70s by a friend of the late San Francisco County Supervisor and gay activist, Harvey Milk. Milk and San Francisco Mayor, George Moscone, were assassinated in November, 1978, by another San Francisco County Supervisor. In 1999, Bill Clinton became the first American President to recognize Pride Month. Pride Month is also a time for memorials to recognize those who lost their lives bigotry and hate crimes and to HIV/AIDS.

The University District Rotary DEI Task Force encourages all club members to learn about the significance of Pride Month. Our goal, as always, is to achieve equal justice, equal opportunity and ever greater acceptance and support for all LGBTQ+ youth and adults.



By Grant Godino, president-elect of the LGBT Rotarians and Friends Fellowship and member of the Rotary Club of Strathmore, Australia



Here are ways to make your club and Rotary as a whole more inclusive for the LGBTQ+ community:

Start having conversations In order to understand the challenges for LGBTQ+ people, leaders at all level (club, district, zone, and international) should stay connected to what it means to be LGBTQ+ in Rotary. This means:

Asking a local LGBTQ+ organization to speak at your club
Downloading and discussing some of the [educational resources](#) developed by the LGBT Fellowship
[Contacting the LGBT Fellowship](#) to make a presentation.

Once these conversations start both internally and with the communities your club serves, you may see that there are LGBTQ+ people in every community, and maybe already in your club.

Set a meaningful public example We need to do this to become more welcoming to LGBTQ+ communities. This could include: Small gestures like putting a rainbow flag at the bottom of your website, using the LGBT Fellowship's rainbow heart logo on event flyers or Rotary's global statement on DEI to make a bold statement that we are accepting of everyone. Asking members to include their [preferred pronouns](#) on name tags at club meetings and in email signatures. This signals support for the LGBTQ+ community and is a powerful education piece, helping people understand the importance of using individual's preferred pronouns. It reduces the chances that people will mistakenly misgender someone who is trans or gender diverse.

Support projects that address key issues for LGBTQ+ communities

When you are thinking of your next project, consider issues like HIV/AIDS treatment and prevention, addressing mental health issues, and homelessness in LGBTQ+ communities, or preventing violence toward LGBTQ+ people [or Senior services for this population].

Support and promote the LGBT Rotarians and Friends Fellowship

The [LGBT Rotarians and Friends Fellowship](#) is dedicated to promoting global friendship, service, and education, aiming to create an inclusive, understanding and welcoming community, fostering goodwill and peace, and realizing a world that achieves fundamental fairness and equality for LGBTQ+ people.

DEI is complex, and Rotary is taking great steps forwards. We have started to address gender, generational, and cultural diversity. There are still other aspects for us to discuss including LGBTQ+, disability, indigenous people and others, and then also how these identities can intersect. For example, how someone can be both LGBTQ+ and disabled. I'm excited about our progress and encourage people to reach out to the LGBT Fellowship, leaders, and district membership committees to continue the discussion.

Job Announcement



Malaria Partners International
Formerly Rotarian Malaria Partners

Malaria Partners International seeks a Marketing Manager - Independent Consultant to be responsible for working with board and team members to create and execute marketing strategies, support strategic planning/organizational advocacy work, and design and produce content. This person will have experience with social media marketing trends, online marketing, and direct response marketing. To apply, please submit a resume, cover letter, and portfolio sample to ariel.delaney@malariapartners.org by Wednesday, June 30th, 2021. [Click here for full Job Description](#).



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DISTRICT 5030 PLAY DAYS: June 26 and 27th



Rotary Days at Cougar Mountain Zoo

Cougar Mountain Zoo will be welcoming Rotarians and their families on Saturday, June 26th and Sunday, June 27th. Purchase discounted admission tickets online between June 7-21 at : <https://shop.cougarmountainzoo.org/discount/ROTARY> Stay tuned for details on special focus tours at the zoo just for Rotarians: Saturday it will be wolves and Sunday it will be all about cougars.



Hike with the Governor

Join District Governor Cathy for a 5 mile loop hike to the De Leo Wall at Cougar Mountain Regional Park on Saturday afternoon, June 26th. Meet at the Red Town Trailhead at 2PM. Bring water and a trail snack. Dogs OK if on a leash. Here is a link for more information about the trail - <https://www.alltrails.com/trail/us/washington/de-leo-wall-trail>



Family Friendly Gravel Bike Ride Along the Scenic Snoqualmie Valley Trail

Bring your bikes, family and friends for an any-skill level bike ride with District 5030 Rotarians. The ride will take place at your own pace along the Snoqualmie Valley Bike Trail, a former railroad line on compact gravel that makes an easy and protected ride for anyone.

The ride will depart Sunday morning, June 27th at 10:00 AM from the Nick Loutsis Park trailhead in Carnation, WA. We'll have donuts, coffee and other refreshments available for riders, but recommend that you bring your own water, trail snacks, sunscreen and bike safety gear. The ride will be an out and back at your own pace. We may set off in groups (like fast riders who want to cover lots of miles, or slower family groups who want to enjoy nature). Ride for as long as you'd like - there are plenty of great post-ride lunch options in Carnation, Fall City and Duvall.

Click here for additional information about the trail: <https://savorsnoqualmievalley.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/svt-map.pdf>



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Public Image 2020-21

It's been a busy year for your District Public Image Committee. Here are some of the highlights:

- Established an inward & outward facing advertising campaign involving Club and District events/projects on FB & Instagram.
- Rotary theme months were emphasized on Social Media
- Youth video & individual youth videos proved to be a hit on social media.
- The Bus campaign proved to be the biggest project throughout the rotary year, by addressing 'food insecurity' & the 'environment'.

The wheels on the bus are still rolling down the highway in the Puget Sound. Keep watching out for our Rotary buses.

The Public Image Team is actively recruiting more people to join us in the quest to GROW ROTARY. robinleeroat@gmail.com



Robin Roat

District 5030 Peacebuilder Committee

We are a recognized **Global Peacebuilder District** where peacebuilding is a priority – for our communities, our country, and the world. The next steps in our District Peacebuilding journey promote greater inclusion and increased Rotarian participation. So please send an email to me

at RotaryPeace5030@gmail.com if you would like to lead and/or be involved in one of the following areas of our work together. Also, send a note with additional Peacebuilding ideas or topics you'd like to support.



Jessica Bhuiyan

- DEI and Peace
- International Peace Day (20th Anniversary of 9/11)
- Peace Fellows Point Person
- Peace Engagement: Book Club, Gatherings, etc
- Data and Surveys (Peace Poles, Peacebuilder Clubs, Roster of Peace RAG members)
- Rotary Club Peace Projects (info collection and projection collaboration)



It's only 3 minutes. It was made and produced by our Shorecrest Interact Club. It shows the accomplishments for the semester by their 50+ members. WoW... they have more members than most of our Rotary Clubs!



<https://drive.google.com/file/d/151mvJwWCOMXsiyhek7YORRW9LDMzJLFR/view?ts=60aebc60>

DISTRICT 5030

is hereby named a

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL GLOBAL PEACEBUILDER DISTRICT

in appreciation of its commitment to building sustainable peace by supporting the Rotary Peace Centers program and the peacebuilding and conflict prevention area of focus



Click [HERE](#) to keep up with Rotary International's Social Media sites.



Join Rotarians of District 5030

on our private Facebook group. It's

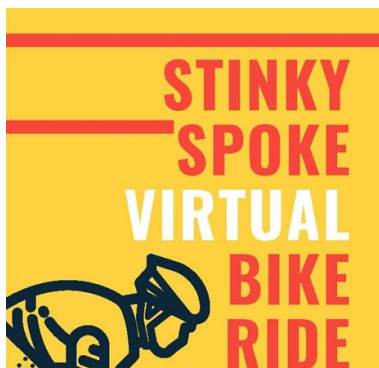
a bulletin board for so many of our Clubs' activities. Current membership is 430. Click on this link to join. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/318618285967665/?ref=bookmarks>





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Put on Your Helmet & Join Us!



REGISTRATION IS OPEN!
PRIZES FOR GREAT PHOTOS!
FUN RIDE WITH FRIENDS!
REGISTRATION FEES AND
SPONSORSHIPS GO BACK TO
OUR COMMUNITY!

On May 1, we'll open
registration for the Virtual
Stinky Spoke ride! Well, it's
not really virtual because
you'll still complete the ride,

but you'll do it at your own pace with your family and friends
sometime between June 18 and June 28.

Along the way, you'll take selfies at significant milestones, like
the top of Heart Attack Hill, and post them to Facebook. We'll
have prizes for largest family group, best costumes, and the
most times registering and riding the event. **Watch your emails
for information on prizes, photo spots and route updates!**

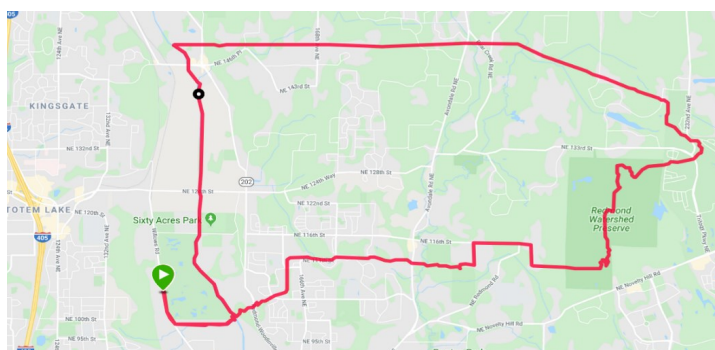
Stinky Spoke 2021 2021 | ACTIVE

Register and Ride!

Get in shape! Have fun with friends and families! Practice the
route during less-than-stinky weather! Keep the Stinky alive!
All the while raising funds for local and international nonprofits
in need!

Sponsorships to Redmond Rotary Foundation helps fund local
and international causes, and student scholarships. Email:
redmondwarotary@gmail.com to participate!

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOUR PHOTOS!



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Bellevue Rotary Peacebuilder Activities



Last year and this year Bellevue Rotary's Peacebuilder
Committee created some innovative projects.
After a Boys and Girls Club training on Healthy/
Unhealthy relationships, the members painted
posters for a contest themed "What Does Peace
Look Like to Me?" The winning poster by Maddie
Knox was awarded \$200. Bellevue Rotary
commissioned a large-scale wall mural of this poster on a
building in Downtown Bellevue.



Last fall Covid forced us to come up with more creativity for the
dedication of the mural by organizing our members in a flag/
waving, honking Grand Motorcade to arrive at the mural where
Bellevue Mayor Lynne Robinson gave the dedication speech and
champagne christening on the United Nations International Day
of Peace. Click on the links to see the fun videos of these
events. <https://drive.google.com/file/d/18pV6Wqi5NO4zaN8UTufuCjH-j1mhulyz/view> AND
https://drive.google.com/file/d/18JS_hW_HAB8IbEoBP-i1jkd48f30LR-/view

Currently President Tom Bohman includes a "What Does Peace
Look Like to Me?" video from a different member at our
meetings each week to promote constant awareness. We will
hold a ceremony and place a Peace Pole at the Bellevue YMCA
on September 21, United Nations International Day of Peace.





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**Saturday, June 12, 2021
10:00am – 5:30pm**

Join the Rotary Club of Ballard in partnership with Ballard Market to support Mary's Place with our Food & Hygiene Drive!

Please consider purchasing any of these items to donate to Mary's Place while you shop.



Hygiene Items:

- Antibacterial hand wipes
- Diapers and baby wipes
- Deodorant/Anti-perspirant
- Chapstick
- Individual tissue packs
- Razors



Food Stuffs:

- Applesauce pouches
- Cereal
- Cup of soup/Ramen
- Gelatin-free fruit snacks
- Granola/Breakfast bars
- Herbal tea/Cocoa/Hot cider packets
- Mac and cheese (boxed)
- Nuts/dried fruit/trail mix
- Oatmeal (individual packs)
- Rice or pasta (boxed)
- Snack crackers (individual packs)
- Tuna or Chicken (shelf-stable pouches)

All **new unopened** items can be placed in the donation bins outside each entrance staffed by Rotarians.

Done by Donn



Address:
1400 NW 56th St.



www.rotaryclubofballard.org/

Rotary Club of Mercer Island

Operation Nightwatch: Homeless Outreach – May 9th five Rotarians, made 75 boxed dinners for Operation Nightwatch. The dinners are cold as no one is allowed in the building. It is unclear when both the making and serving of hot meals will resume. The next dinner will be made on June 19th.

Acknowledging the Mercer Island Police Department:

Several boxes of treats were delivered to the MIPD on two occasions in May, including National Police Week, to thank them for all they do to keep our community safe during these challenging times. The Chief of Police, Ed Holmes, is a fellow Mercer Island Rotarian and his follow up thank you letter to Fellow Rotarians was very uplifting.

Providing Grant for Increased Accessibility for Playgrounds

The club approved a \$5,000 grant to the Mercer Island Preschool Association to help finance the renovation of the obsolete playground at Mercerdale Park to make it accessible and inclusive for all, including children with disabilities. A coalition of MI Preschool Association parents and Rotary grandparents worked closely together to encourage the MI City Council and city staff to make the new park a model for intergenerational play and true inclusivity. Construction will begin soon and the new playground will open by late summer. An opening event is being planned to celebrate this groundbreaking project.

Tutoring in Rainier Valley

While the Mercer Island Rotary Club's tutoring program at Rising Star Elementary School was limited to working through



I like you:



Reading Partners, one Rotarian was able to work with a kindergarten teacher to create on-line reading activities for the children. While Carol Friends' objectives were to further the children's reading skills, she also created experiences which would create good in the world. It has become a way of sharing the 4-Way Test.

District Newsletter Deadline July 1st

No more than 300 words plus one picture. Pictures and Ads need to be in .jpg format. **Ads are limited to 1/4 page.** Put **DISTRICT NEWSLETTER** in the subject line. Send to: carmamckay@gmail.com

Send Us Your Rotary Club Photos

We're looking for photos depicting Rotarians in Action. (Do not send photos of children unless you have a signed release from their parent.) This link will take you to the submission form.

<https://form.jotform.com/202116947703049>

Burke Gillman Trail Clean-up

The Burke Gillman trail runs through Fremont. You can ride your bike from Fremont to Redmond on this trail. The trail is special to us. A four times a year we clean the trail from the Dinosaurs and work our way to Hales Brewery where we enjoy fellowship, pizza and beer. Just look for us wandering down the trail following the beer wagon.





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ROTARY PHOTOMARATHON

JUNE 12, 2021 | 10:00 AM-4:00 PM

**6 TOPICS
6 PHOTOS
6 HOURS
PRIZES!**

ALL YOU NEED IS A
DIGITAL CAMERA AND
A LITTLE CREATIVITY

Registration is \$25 with
proceeds benefitting

Rotary
Club of Edmonds



Photo buffs are invited to take part in a photography contest with a twist. The Edmonds Photomathon will be held on June 12, 2021 from 10:00am-4:00pm. The six-hour virtual contest features six photo topics which will be announced at 10:00am on Zoom, and the Photomathon website and Facebook page. Registration is \$25 with proceeds benefitting the Rotary Club of Edmonds community service projects and scholarships. Visit the event website for more information and to register at www.edmondsphotomathon.com



Rotary
Fellowship



Calling all Cougar Rotarians

The WSU Rotary Fellowship is being established for the purpose of connecting WSU Alumni that are Rotarians. This fellowship is also open to any WSU alumni and friends with an interest in Rotary. By joining together, we can expand our Rotary experience through inter-club networking and grow our Rotary numbers at the same time. See <http://www.wsu-rotary.site/> for more information.

- Chris Carlson, Class of 1975
President, RC Bellevue Sunrise
- Bill McElroy, Class of 1976
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- Chris Boland, Class of 1988
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Golf and Happy Hour @ Harbour Pointe on May 17th!



Club members of the Rotary Club of Lake Forest Park enjoying our Rotary District 5030 Golf Tournament at Harbour Pointe. We had to have the pic taken at President JP Mayer's Kenmore Chiropractic's sponsored hole.

Generous Rotarians raised almost \$4000 to support our 4 District 5030 Projects: Harvest Against Hunger, Music 4 Life, Partners for Work and Music Mends Minds.



Here's what the University Sunrise Rotary Club did on Memorial Day

A terrific day of volunteering with [University Sunrise Rotary Club of Seattle](#) and [Sound Foundations NW](#). Making homes (tiny houses). Have fun, get things done! Thank you to the dozen people who volunteered.





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UW Rotaract Member Brennan Jacobson Explains Rotaract *by Brennan Jacobson*



Brennan's background and work interests

I'm Brennan Jacobson, a recent graduate from the University of Washington's Foster Business School. During my time at UW I specialized in Supply Chain and Operations Management. Before attending UW I grew up in Kingston, WA and graduated with honors from Kingston High School. In addition to my studies, I have been involved with Rotary International for the past 8 years serving as Interact President while in high school and Rotaract Program Coordinator/ Volunteer Service Chair at University. I have experience working with a team, communicating with others, and performing in a high stress environment. Additionally, I am highly proficient in the Microsoft Office Suite of Programs. I love solving problems that can lead to success for myself and my team. I'm currently most interested in roles in Sales/ Marketing or Supply Chain/Logistics. My contact email is brennanjacobson@outlook.com. Thank you!



Rotaract is great Rotary program that has seen rapid growth in recent years. Rotaract clubs are made up of young adults, usually from 18 to 26 years old. Today there are over 10,000 clubs worldwide with a total membership of 203,000. Many of the Rotaract Clubs in our area are connected with a university or community college. In addition to college-based clubs there are several community-based clubs in Washington State. Community based clubs are generally for members over 21, with most members being recent college graduates. Both college and community-based clubs are a great to grow Rotary's influence and connect young adults with the Rotary world.

I have been a member of the University of Washington Rotaract Club for the last four years and have served on our club board for the past two years. The UW Rotaract Club is a dynamic and energetic group. Our club works on a variety of volunteer and service projects. These projects including working with groups like TINFA, Eco-Corps, and the Seattle Adopt-a-Street Program. Outside of volunteering, our club offers professional development skills to our members by finding speakers that help with skills such as communication and resume development. Additionally, our club also hosts social events such as movie nights or quarterly dinners to allow our members to get to know each other. Going into the 2021-2022 school, UW Rotaract is hoping to rebuild and grow in membership after challenges related to the closure of UW's campus during Covid-19. If you have any questions or would like to learn more about Rotaract, send me an email at brennanjacobson@outlook.com.

More Money in Your Pocket *by Ed Belcher*

The May 2021 Rotary Magazine (pg. 44) features seven organizations influenced by Rotary. One of them, Citizens' Climate Lobby, lobbies for legislation that tackles the threat of climate change. It now lobbies for a carbon fee and dividend bill which gradually raises prices on fossil fuels with minimal harm to households, sends a signal to fossil fuel companies to diversify, and nudges people toward green technology and products. This is a whimsical, yet accurate description of the bill introduced in the House that many believe is important to get us beyond fossil fuels by 2050.

Are you interested in extra cash? The money would show up in your bank account or as a check mailed to you each month. These payments would last for 30 years, and they'd get larger every year for decades. We're talking thousands of dollars. You could spend it however you wanted and every American household would qualify.

The money would come from fees placed on oil, coal, and natural gas, collected at the point of extraction or import into the US. The fees are deposited into a trust fund and paid out as dividends to Americans. Every adult 19 and older gets one share, and every younger person gets half a share.

What's the catch? Ultimately, products related to fossil fuels will become more expensive. But most people would get a good deal: 70% of all households (and 92% of low-income households) would collect more in dividends than they'd pay due to higher prices. Why? Wealthy households have much larger carbon footprints: larger houses to heat, more cars to drive, and more air travel.

The benefit is distributed evenly--every household gets the same dividend per share. You can increase your profit by reducing your carbon footprint, for example by buying an electric car, making your home more energy efficient, and/or replacing your gas furnace with a heat pump. Green energy and products are not subject to carbon fees, and they're getting cheaper all the time.

If this sounds good to you, ask Congress to pass *The Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act*, H. R. 2307. It was introduced in the House in April 2021, and also needs a companion bill passed in the Senate. Phone calls and letters to your members of Congress do have impact!

Money is great, but there are other benefits:

- 1) A healthier environment with millions of lives saved,
- 2) Net zero carbon emissions by 2050 and a stable climate for our grandchildren,
- 3) Abundant, affordable clean energy, and
- 4) Millions more jobs created in the process.

Ready to write letters? Here is a link that makes it very easy to write your two Senators and your Representative. It will ask for your name and address for the letters. It even has form letters for starters that you can change or not before you send them. [Write now. Want more information about The Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act? You will find it here: https://energynnovationact.org/](https://energynnovationact.org/)



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Pictured here is Marisa Carpenter
with Kent Covenant Church.

Kent Covenant Church received a commercial 2-door refrigerator from the **Rotary Club of Kent** and other community partners (Rotary District 5030, Kent Community Foundation, **Kent Rotary Sunrise**, **Covington Rotary** and Kent Kiwanis) as part of a matching grant program that provided \$28,319.95 worth of equipment to help local organizations fight food insecurity that increased because of the pandemic.



Please join us for our District 5030 Year-End Celebration!

Monday, June 28th
Newcastle clubhouse

6:00 pm Reception
7:00 pm Dinner & Program

Reception hosted by Seattle #4,
home club of District Governor Cathy Gibson,
followed by a dinner and program.

Cost is \$80 per person * Rotaract - \$25 per person
Maximum 176 People * Register Early!
Attire - Festive (Golfers welcome in golf attire)

Click link for Reservations:

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2021.perfectgolfevent.com/about-us](https://rotary-5030-golf-june-2021.perfectgolfevent.com/about-us)

