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District Governor

#### **Rotary Foundation Month**

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#### **Newsletter Deadline**

Articles & Club Ads

Send to: <a href="mailto:carmamckay@gmail.com">carmamckay@gmail.com</a>

Deadline: **28th of each month**Submit text email or Word.doc
Ads need to be in .jpg format.



#### **DG Alan's Column**

Why Rotary? What makes us different from all the other charitable organizations out there?

I believe that it's OUR Rotary Foundation.

Arch Klumph's idea that started with a \$26.50 donation from the Rotary Club of Kansas City in 1917 is quite a force today. During the past 100+ years, our Foundation has spent \$3 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects.

Why do I give?

I believe in our Rotary Foundation's reputation. We've earned the highest four-star rating from Charity Navigator and continue to ensure that over 91% of our funds go directly to the programs we support.

I believe in our causes. We People of Action continue to do good in the world by supporting the promotion of peace, providing clean water, saving mothers and children, supporting education, growing local economies, and fighting disease.

I believe in those leading our projects. I hear every day about Rotarians from 5030

travelling to all parts of our earth providing hands-on support to our International Projects. I continue to be inspired by the good that our 46 Rotary Clubs, 6 Rotaract Clubs, and over 20 Interact Clubs do in our local communities.

I believe that it's my responsibility to give. I don't think that it's right to wear the pin every day if I don't support our foundation that sets us apart from everyone else.

It is incumbent for all of us to give something to our Foundation if we want to eradicate polio and the other diseases we take on after we beat polio. We must continue to give if we want to remain known as a pre-eminent supporter of our communities.

I cannot think of any other goal for District 5030 this year but to have 100%-member participation in Our Rotary Foundation.

Let's celebrate Rotary Foundation Month by acknowledging the accomplishments we've made, the hope for the future we provide, and insuring that there will be funds to draw on by donating today.

In the spirit of Thanksgiving I want to thank all 5030 Rotarians for your service, your support, and for your participation this year!

Alan Merry, DG



"Many hands make for light work."

- John Heywood

The District Conference planning is in full swing and we could use you help.

We have openings in the areas of Registration, Facilities, Breakout Session Planning, AV assistance, Sargent-at-Arms, etc. There's something for everyone.

This is a wonderful opportunity to gain new experiences, make new friends and provide you with an incredible experience.

This is the first joint District Conference, so there is much to do. Please, if you can lend a

hand, send an email to our District **Conference chair Chuck Paulsen**, Lake Forest Park Rotary. His email address is: <a href="mailto:cmprph@aol.com">cmprph@aol.com</a> or you can reach him on his cell phone at 206-510-9029.



#### Polio Update by Steve Crane

# World Polio Day Awareness and Funding Are Needed



Dinner in Lake Forest Park and purple ice cream in London are two of the many ways Rotarians raised polio awareness and funds on October 24. Dr. Jay Wenger, the Gates Foundation's polio team director, was interviewed by Mark Wright at Seattle 4. The King 5 livestream broadcast was seen by over 5000. You can watch it at <a href="https://youtu.be/OdoDW-9pTAQ">https://youtu.be/OdoDW-9pTAQ</a>. Mark also included a segment in the news that evening – king5.com/polio. The RI livestream event can be seen at Endpolio.org/world-polio-day

Raising awareness and funds are needed as new polio cases persist. In Afghanistan and Pakistan, they reached 25 in October, compared with 13 at this time last year. It's now likely there will be new cases next year, delaying eradication certification until 2022. The good news is that a Congressional FY19 appropriation of \$179 million for CDC's polio work has been approved. That's a \$3 million increase over FY 18. USAID's steady \$59 million polio funding is pending.

| Country       | As of<br>Oct 30 | As of<br>YTD | Year End |      |      |  |
|---------------|-----------------|--------------|----------|------|------|--|
|               | 2018            | 2017         | 2017     | 2016 | 2015 |  |
| Afghanistan   | 19              | 8            | 14       | 13   | 20   |  |
| Pakistan      | 6               | 5            | 8        | 20   | 54   |  |
| Nigeria       | 0               | 0            | 0        | 4    | 0    |  |
| Global Totals | 25              | 13           | 22       | 37   | 74   |  |



The Lake Forest Park Club celebrated
World Polio Day last evening with a fundraising dinner at The Lake Forest Park Bar and Grill. Here are club members
Norman Lieberman and Carol Dahl greeting diners as they arrive.

### Don't miss this video posted by Snoqualmie Valley Rotary

Click on the link: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/">https://www.facebook.com/</a> SnoqualmieRotary/videos/441794635877976/



#### **Camp Fire Complex in Paradise**

Rotary District 5160 is experiencing their second major fire disaster this season. Our hearts go out to our fellow Rotarians and all those affected in the Paradise area. District 5160 Governor Jon Dwyer recommends that fire relief donations be made to: The Paradise Rotary Club Foundation care of Scheer Memorial Chapel, 2410 Foothill Blvd. Oroville, CA 95966. The on-line funding site address is: www.ParadiseStrong.org

#### **Ventura Fire**

Rotary District 5240 has had two tragedies in one week. To help out with fire relief District 5240 Governor Sandi Schwartz recommends that donations be made to: The District 5240 Charitable Foundation c/o Barry Vanderkelen, 1212 Marsh Street Suite 3, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401



## Rotary Clubs and Operation Warm- Bringing Warmth, Confidence & Hope to Local Children for 20 Years

Written by Rich Lalley and submitted by Linda Sherran, member of The Rotary Club of Seattle



There is a special bond between Rotary clubs and Operation Warm. Starting as a small project in 1998 by the Longwood Rotary Club of District 7450, it has grown into a program supported by Rotarians and other organizations across North America. Hundreds of clubs have partnered with Operation Warm to bring the warmth, confidence and hope of a new winter coat to children living in need. District 5030 clubs have been with Operation Warm most the way, beginning partnerships in 2003.

### Three Reasons Rotary Clubs and Operation Warm Are a Great Fit

For both Rotarians and Operation Warm, the interest that binds is the commitment of service to those in need, the love of the positive work we do and our loyalty to each other.

"Rotarians believe in 'Service Above Self' and Rotary clubs are deeply involved in their communities," says Rich Lalley, Operation Warm's Development Director and Past President of the Rotary Club of Winnetka-Northfield in District 6440. Rich was introduced to Operation Warm at PETS Training in 2009.

"Operation Warm is a project that perfectly aligns with Rotarians' values and interests in being 'People of Action' who make a positive difference in the world," he says. "It is also a perfect project to showcase Rotary clubs in their community, as the media love covering stories about helping children. So, in addition to being a part of community service plans, it should be a highlight of clubs' public image efforts."

### Rotary Clubs and Operation Warm Positively Impacting Communities

For 20 years, over 300 Rotary Clubs in more than 50 districts have partnered with Operation Warm to conduct service projects that provide brand new winter coats to children in their communities and beyond.

In fact, Rotary clubs have provided brand new winter coats to over 300,000 children, helping Operation Warm reach and impact communities throughout North America.

"There are children right now who would not have been given a gift of warmth, confidence and hope, if it weren't for our long-standing partnership with Rotary clubs," Rich says.



#### **Operation Warm in District 5030**

In 2002, a member of the Woodinville club "made-up" at the Longwood Club while in Pennsylvania on business. He heard a report about the club's Operation Warm project. Impressed, he took the idea back to his club. They and many other District 5030 clubs have been partnering with Operation Warm every year since.

Clubs include Bellevue Breakfast, Burien-White Center, Duvall, Edmonds, Kirkland, Lynnwood, Mercer Island, Northshore, Renton, West Seattle, Woodinville. The Kirkland, Renton, West Seattle and Woodinville clubs continue to include Operation Warm as one of their annual signature projects.

Tens of thousands of children have received the happiness and hope that comes with the gift of a brand new coat through District 5030 Rotary club support!

#### **How an Operation Warm Rotary Program Works**

Each club identifies its own beneficiary organization(s). The club may find the need greatest in a local school or youth services agency. Next, the Rotary club raises funds to support its project. Operation Warm provides the coats, materials, guidance and additional tools and resources.

To learn more about Operation Warm, visit the <u>Rotary</u>
<u>Partners</u> page. To reach out directly to <u>Rich Lalley</u>, <u>contact him via email</u>. Or connect with <u>Linda Sherran</u>, Operation Warm's Seattle area rep and member of the Seattle club.









May 16, 2019 - 8:00 AM thru May 19, 2019 - 3:00 PM Spokane Convention Center 334 W Spokane Falls Blvd Spokane, WA 99201

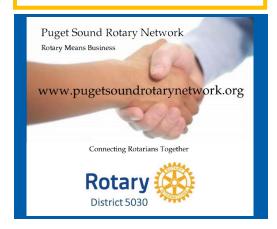
#### www.cometogether2019.com

Rotarian Registration \$ 249 RYLA/Interact/Exchange Student \$ 169

#### **REGISTER HERE**

Book your room at The DoubleTree by Hilton, Centennial Hotel Spokane or The Davenport Grand

#### **HOTEL RESERVATIONS HERE**



# Our PDG & Zone Director John Matthews is also VP of Rotary International

Here's a picture of John with Paul Harris statue at 1 Rotary Place in Evanston.

There are four Rotary International Board meetings a year; one following the International Convention, another in San Diego following the International Assembly in January and two in Evanston.

While serving on the RI Board, Directors are assigned to committees. So in addition to serving as Barry Rassin's Vice President, John works on the RI Committee Selection Task Force, which sifts through candidates to get best qualified people into the right seats. He also works on the Executive Committee of the Board to ensure efficient and effective and productive Board meetings.



# Duwamish Nation Peace Pole Installation and Celebration on Saturday, December 1 at 1:00

Mark your calendar for Duwamish Nation Peace Pole installation and celebration on Saturday, December 1 at 1:00 at the Duwamish Longhouse and Cultural Center 4705 West Marginal Way S.W. Seattle, WA 98106, sponsored by the Seattle Rotary #4 Peace Builder's Committee. Duwamish Chairman, Cecile Hanson and her daughter, Jolene have been working with the Peace Builder's Committee for several months in this natural progression towards a celebration of peace, friendship and reconciliation.

"MAY PEACE PREVAIL ON EARTH" is engraved on the four sided handcrafted cedar Peace Pole, one language on each of the four sides:: Duwamish-Lushootseed; Chinook Jargon; Italian and English. The Duwamish Nation, led by Chairman Cecile Hanson, requested the Italian language to honor their Sister City Association relationship with Perugia, Italy. Cecile and her daughter, Jolene, just returned from Italy where they celebrated the 10th Anniversary of Marvin Oliver's whale sculpture installation.

Seattle Rotary's President Cindy Runger will join Duwamish Chairman, Cecile Hanson in leading the dedication celebration on December 1. They will be joined by Linda Rough, vocalist and Matt Albertson, Peacebuilder co-chair.

Co-chairs Matt Albertson and Alexandra Mummery, note that the Duwamish Peace Pole joins several Peace Poles installed by The Peace Builder's Committee. Those placed in the recent past include: Seattle City Hall; Seattle Fire Station #22; The Rotary Boys and Girls Club; St. Mark's Cathedral and Seattle School District's John Stanford International School.





#### **Important Reminder**

Update you Club membership <u>BEFORE</u> the end of December so Rotary Invoices are accurate. If your club uses ClubRunner, you still need to update your information in DACdb because the District uses DACdb for correspondence, statistical reports and analysis.

| Club Name & Size as of 11/1/2018 - 2439 Members in District 5030 |     |                     |    |                      |     |                                |     |  |  |  |  |
|--|-----|---------------------|----|----------------------|-----|--------------------------------|-----|--|--|--|--|
| Alderwood-Terrace  | 40  | Edmonds Daybreakers | 47 | Lynnwood             | 68  | Seattle Northeast              | 21  |  |  |  |  |
| Auburn   | 64  | Emerald City        | 29 | Magnolia             | 11  | Seattle-International District | 33  |  |  |  |  |
| Ballard  | 39  | Enumclaw            | 43 | Maple Valley         | 56  | Shoreline                      | 45  |  |  |  |  |
| Bellevue   | 177 | Federal Way         | 64 | Mercer Island        | 123 | Snoqualmie Valley              | 26  |  |  |  |  |
| Bellevue Breakfast   | 93  | Fremont             | 15 | Mill Creek           | 56  | Southcenter                    | 14  |  |  |  |  |
| Bellevue Sunrise   | 23  | Issaquah            | 36 | Northshore           | 33  | University District            | 103 |  |  |  |  |
| Burien-White Center  | 21  | Kent                | 56 | Puget Sound Passport | 9   | University Sunrise             | 33  |  |  |  |  |
| Covington  | 20  | Kent Sunrise        | 15 | Rainier              | 4   | Vashon Island                  | 36  |  |  |  |  |
| Des Moines Normandy Park   | 46  | Kirkland            | 52 | Redmond              | 39  | West Seattle                   | 55  |  |  |  |  |
| Duvall   | 27  | Kirkland Downtown   | 26 | Renton               | 93  | Woodinville                    | 44  |  |  |  |  |
| Duwamish Southside   | 11  | Lake Forest Park    | 49 | Sammamish            | 39  |                                |     |  |  |  |  |
| Edmonds  | 57  | Lake Union          | 39 | Seattle #4           | 409 |                                |     |  |  |  |  |



### Can You Help?

Rotary First Harvest's major special event, Hearts & Wine, is coming up on Friday, Feb. 8, 2019.

involved in the excitement and make sure people in need receive healthy fruits and vegetables in the process.

- Consider being an <u>Event Sponsor</u> as a club, business owner or individual. The info packet is available from Lori Church below. Some Rotary clubs are event sponsors each year!
- Can your club **donate tickets or items** to the event for use in the Live Auction or Raffle Drawing?
- Save the date and make plans to purchase your tickets.



We need your help to make Hearts & Wine successful, save as much produce as possible and secure healthy food for those who need it in our area! Thank you,

For further information contact Lori Church Lori@FirstHarvest.org (206) 236-0408 www.firstharvest.org



Seattle City Rotaract Adopts a Street - L to R - Rafi Ahmed, Ujii Kaori, Daniel Pologe, Sora Moon, Delaney Gaughan, Harisa Paco, Devon Hay, Mariah Kimpton, Taishiro Kajimoto, and Sean Nelson.



Lake Forest Park Rotary: Leigh Readdy and Claire Conway happily receive awards from President Kae Peterson in recognition of their exemplary service to Rotary. - Watch for "THE REST OF THE STORY" in the next issue.



Maple Valley Rotary: The Rotary Warms Work Party split 6 cords in 3 hours and delivered several. Included in picture: Rock Jenkins, Curtis Gould, Fritz Gottfried, Denny Pierre, Joel Rude, Tom Sutton, David Pouliot and Matt Copple.



#### **Rotary Zone Institutes**

Each year, past, present, and incoming district and senior leaders attend Rotary institutes to share information, build connections, and exchange ideas about Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation. The institutes usually meet for three to five days, and the program includes:

- An update on The Rotary Foundation and its programs
- A report on our polio eradication efforts
- A five-year forecast presented by a director or other Board representative
- An open forum where participants can make recommendations to the Board
- Local and international speakers sharing information on relevant topics
- A chance to network, reconnect with friends, and find inspiration for continuing your service and leadership in your community
- Entertainment and social outings

During Council on Legislation years, Rotary institutes also include a session for Council representatives and alternates and a general session for discussing Council proposals.

An institute may assemble leaders from one zone, part of a zone, or several zones. The RI president designates one or more conveners to organize each institute and serve as his or her representative there. Past Rotary officers often participate as speakers, panelists, discussion leaders, and institute committee members.

Who can attend: Past, present, and future district governors, RI

presidents, directors, trustees, and regional leaders attend Rotary institutes.

Congratulations to Cathy Gibson, DGN, Johrita Solari, Incoming RI Director & Bill McElroy, DGE at the Zone Institute in Reno - Nov. 2018 for successfully completing your Leadership Training.





Field day with the children of the Go Vap Orphanage. Rotary Fall 2018 Mission to Viet Nam with Son Michael Pham of University District Rotary.



#### YOUR ROTARY GRANT DOLLARS AT WORK!

District 5030 awarded \$147,165 in district designated funds (DDF) to projects in 2017-2018! Of that amount, \$130,450 was awarded to 19 projects through the District Grant Program. Each of the projects is listed below along with, the primary club involved, the project description, the project's location, and the amount granted.

#### 2017-2018 AG Express and Rotaract Grants

In addition to these projects, \$16,715 in DDF was awarded to an additional 18 projects via the Assistant Governor (AG) Express Grant program and to Rotaract Clubs. In its third full year, the AG Express Grant program is designed to allow Assistant Governors to work with their clubs on community service projects that will help their clubs' membership and public image. Below is a listing of the 2017-2018 AG Express Grant and Rotaract Club projects.

#### Des Moines and Normandy Park - \$500

Equipment for Puget Sound Skill Center's broadcast journalism program.

#### Bellevue Breakfast - \$500

Garden program for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities

#### Shoreline - \$500

Clothing for homeless families.

#### Mercer Island - \$500

Food donation to the Mercer Island food bank.

#### **University District of Seattle - \$500**

Homeless youth arts education.

#### **University Sunrise of Seattle -\$500**

Hurricane relief hygiene relief kits in Puerto Rico.

#### **Rainier - \$500**

Franklin High School robotics team.

#### **Seattle International District - \$500**

Dictionaries for high school students in need.

#### **Seattle University Rotaract - \$500**

To provide supplies for "Tiny Houses."

#### Magnolia - \$485

Food for households in need.

#### **Duvall - \$230**

Care packages for U.S. troops in Bahrain.

#### Kent - \$500

Backpacks to schools for students in need.

#### Kirkland - \$500

Crosses and flags for veteran's graves in local cemetery.

#### **Lake Union Neighborhood - \$500**

Adaptive bike rental for annual ride for individuals with intellectual and developmental challenges.

### Covington, Maple Valley, Enumclaw, Kent Sunrise, Federal Way, Auburn - \$6,000

Emergency water supply on Elk Run Farm which supports local food banks.

#### Seattle City, UW, and UW Bothell Rotaract: \$1,500 for

Packing of supplies at district conference for sex trafficking and disaster victims.

#### Woodinville & UW Bothell Rotaract - \$1,000

Support place for homeless.

#### Ballard, Fremont, Seattle Northeast - \$1,500

Freezer and coffee system for kitchen for the homeless.

# **Breaking New Ground at Seattle #4 Men Engaging Men to End Violence**

Huge thanks to all the men of Seattle Four Rotary who took time out of their Wednesday evenings to reflect upon and discuss the issues surrounding, and solutions to, sexual exploitation and human trafficking. Attending Men Engaging Men to End Violence with Marc Kurose, Ken Colling, Doug Seto, John Raybar, Paul Ishii, Burr Stewart, Larry Granat and James R Moore at Seattle Against Slavery.





#### 2017-2018 Club Grants

All of these great district grant projects are made possible through the generosity of your contributions to The Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund. For 2018-2019, our district has \$135,618 DDF available for club, Rotaract, and AG Express Grants projects and we look forward to reporting on its use next year. Remember, November is Rotary Foundation Month, please continue to support your foundation generously! Contact Cathy Burnell or Jeff Brennan if you have any questions.

#### Ballard - \$5,000

Equipment to Boys & Girls Club Arts Program.

#### Bellevue Breakfast - \$12,000

Refrigerated food truck for underserved communities.

#### **Bellevue Sunrise - \$8,500**

Appliances for families in need.

#### Des Moines and Normandy Park - \$5,000

School supplies & backpacks to 1,250 low income students.

#### **Duvall - \$1,500**

Fencing to protect elements of a historical barn.

#### Edmonds Daybreakers - \$12,000

Computers to teach high-tech skills to the disadvantaged in Thailand.

#### **Federal Way - \$7,500**

Replace a senior center greenhouse and fencing.

#### Kirkland - \$2,500

Support community non-profit agencies delivering food to those in need.

#### Lake Forest Park - \$9,500

Van for a community non-profit serving homeless families.

#### **Lake Union Neighborhood - \$7,500**

Fund interactive workshops that focus on keeping teens in school.

#### Magnolia - \$750

Support Seafarers organization to assist visiting seamen and women reach needed services.





#### Mercer Island - \$12,000

Construct ten "Tiny Houses" for the homeless.

#### Mill Creek - \$4,200

Support a series of anti-bullying programs for student.

#### Seattle - \$11,000

Help design a chimney addition to cookstoves to reduce emissions in homes in Guatemala.

#### Seattle Northeast - \$4,500

Produce for Rotary First Harvest food packing activity to be held at the joint 5030 & 5080 District Conference.

#### Snoqualmie Valley—\$10,000

Washer/dryer and shower facilities for homeless.

#### Woodinville - \$5,500

Warm winter coats to students.

#### Issaquah\* - \$5,000

Equipment and furnishings for "The Garage," a new community teen center.

#### Seattle\* - \$6,500

Train healthcare professional in helping victims of sexual exploitation.

\* Added at end of year with funds from a cancelled project and contingency.



Your gift to The Rotary
Foundation comes back to the
District to fund all of these
worthwhile projects. Be a part of
making a difference in our
community and beyond by giving
to the Rotary Foundation's Annual
Fund today.

https://www.rotary.org/en/donate



# Rotary official correspondance

Dear Rotarian,

Rotary recently learned that scammers have created multiple communication and social media accounts that impersonate RI President Barry Rassin, RI President-elect Mark Maloney, General Secretary John Hewko and perhaps other Rotary leaders. The communication accounts include or involve email, WhatsApp and Viber. The social media accounts have been on LinkedIn, Twitter and Facebook.

These are not authentic Rotary communications. They are phishing and spoofing attempts to obtain money and personal information. The perpetrators may attempt to convince Rotary members to send funds to support alleged Rotary causes.

Rotary monitors for and responds to these attempts as part of an ongoing effort to keep member, program participant, and staff data safe. We also work with LinkedIn, Twitter, Facebook, and WhatsApp to remove imposter accounts.

Neither President Rassin's, President-elect Maloney's, nor General Secretary Hewko's authentic accounts have been compromised.

Rotary members should continue to exercise caution:

- Disregard any suspicious message that offers money, requests money, or asks for your personal information.
- Avoid opening attachments or following links in suspicious messages.

Pay close attention to the details of the email address and signature block to verify the sender. If you receive what you believe to be a suspicious message from the president, general secretary, or another Rotary leader, please forward it to <a href="mailto:fraudreport@rotary.org">fraudreport@rotary.org</a> and then delete it immediately.

Rick Kick Chief Information Officer, RI





Partners for Work (PFW) has been a District
Project in 5030 since 2008. Hopefully, you have
heard about us, if not, this is your brief introduction.

PFW is focused on making our communities more inclusive for individuals with developmental disabilities. We work together to create employment opportunities for people with developmental challenges by utilizing Rotarian business leadership as a vital link between job candidates and paid work. These individuals have learned valuable skills to offer the work place, yet their employment rate is low, and many cannot meet the established job requirements set by HR Departments.

Rotarians are often the top people in their companies and play a key networking and leadership role in helping open the door towards paid work.

PFW offers many activities that are a welcome addition to our Clubs. We are active in 32 clubs in our District. Rotarians and our connections have led to 113 paid jobs for job seekers throughout King County.

As your District PFW Coordinator, I welcome an opportunity to discuss possible activities for your club. Maybe you would be willing to host a mock interview session with local School District Transition students? Offer a business tour for a job seeker? Hire a Rotary Club Greeter for your Club? The opportunities are endless.

Please contact Debbie Moore, PFW Coordinator, Issaquah Rotarian (206)321-1134, <a href="mailto:debbie@gowise.org">debbie@gowise.org</a>



Issaquah Rotary Club hosting mock interviews with the Issaquah School District ACT students.



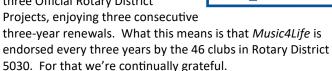
University District past Greeter, working as a Lab/Office Assistant as Universal Cells in Seattle. Her dream job was to work in Science and we were successful in meeting that dream.



#### **End-of-Year Tax Issues**

by David Endicott

<u>Music4Life</u>™ is pleased to be one of three Official Rotary District Projects, enjoying three consecutive



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Yet a sizeable proportion (unofficially a little more than 12 percent last year) of the financial donations that come to us are provided by individual donors, Rotarians and non-Rotarians alike. If you're not financially exhausted by donations to political candidates, we'd like to give you two reasons to consider an end-of-year donation to *Music4Life*:

Your tax-deductible donation will be used to support kids, instrumental music or education; and Your funds will be used <u>locally</u> to help <u>local</u> kids in need.

Music4Life has programs supporting Seattle, Highline, Shoreline, Edmonds, Everett, Northshore, Bremerton and Auburn Public Schools. Programs for Kent and Marysville Schools are being developed. All of these programs use funds to repair "lovingly used" musical instruments donated to us by adults who have them in their garages or attics and come to realize that their highest and best use is to put them back into play. That's exactly what Music4Life does: Provides ready-to-play musical instruments at no charge to participating public school districts for use by students in need.

We do this because research show that kids who participate in school-based instrumental music activities do better in math, science, history, international languages, literature, reading & writing, even in computer science, in addition to what it teaches in terms of teamwork and self-discipline. The Washington State Constitution guarantees a full basic education to every student. Please consider helping us deliver on that promise, even to students from families in need in the greater Seattle area. (www.Music4Life.org)

#### **Kick-off Success**

The Rotary Club of Mercer Island launched Music Mends Minds successfully on October 23 at the Congregational Church on Mercer Island. About thirty five (35) people attended, some with various forms of dementia or stroke, and all sang heartily along with song leader, Rotarian John Nelson.

Amy Huggins, the Rotary Ambassador for Music Mends Minds, greeted people and helped them sign in, get a program, and name tags, and supplied T-shirts and tote bags to committee members. District Governor Alan Merry also attended, who said, "It was fun at the sing-along today! I never thought that I'd be saying that!" The next date is Nov. 27, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m., same location.

#### Where did ShelterBox Start?

by Dave Nichols

If you know me or have heard me speak about
ShelterBox you know it is a British based Non
Profit. But did you know it started in a small Rotary club? The
Rotary club of Helston Lizard.

Back in 2000 a member was watching the news and realized that the people in a disaster on the news were getting food & medicine, but no one seemed to be looking after their shelter needs. He brought this idea to the club and it came their Millennium project.

The first set of boxes were sent in response to the <u>2001 Gujarat</u> <u>earthquake</u>. And from there the now nonprofit grew until the <u>Boxing day Tsunami</u> in 2014 where over 230,000 people died.

The Haiti Earthquake continues to be one of our biggest responses to date. ShelterBox deployed and set up over 28,000 tents for families over 1/3 of all tents set up around the capital Port au Prince.

Today we have responded in over 100 countries and over 300 disaster. Yes, many countries more than once, do you know which country we have deployed to the most? Ask me

Next month I'll talk about how we decide to go somewhere, it's one of the most asked questions.

For club presentations please contact me at <a href="mailto:dave@disasterdave.com">dave@disasterdave.com</a>



ShelterBox Tents - Haiti 2011





#### What's DG Alan been up to?

President Lynn Cheeney of the Shoreline Rotary Club expressed the excitement of all as Lake Forest park Rotary and Shoreline Rotary gathered at Shoreline Community College. Retired General Barry McCaffrey was the inspiration for the joint meeting.



L to R: Shoreline Pres. Lynn Cheeney, District Governor Alan Merry, Leigh Readdy, General Barry McCaffrey, and Paul McMurry.





With Erv DeSmet and Paul Konrady at the beautiful DeYoung Park in downtown Woodinville. It's a remarkable testament to Peace with its multiple Peace Poles giving all who stroll there a wonderful feeling of tranquility. Thank you Rotary Club of Woodinville for your efforts in this project!



On Halloween I finally accepted Cary Young's offer for a guided tour of the Rotary Club of Sammamish's Nightmare on Beaver Lake. I didn't expect this final goodbye . . . AAAARGH!



Do you folks want to find something really fun? I suggest attending a Bingo/Karaoke event sponsored by the Rotary Club of Seattle NE! Here I am presenting the winning pot to the PTSA of Briarcrest Elementary. Check out Seattle NE's website for the date of the next extravaganza!



Ryan Mills of the Northshore Rotary Club knows almost anyone in the Bothell/Kenmore area and is working on getting everyone to be a new member. Thanks Karl Miller for suggesting that he be the Unsung Hero of the Rotary Club of Northshore!

#### **YOUTH SERVICE NEWS - November 2018**



#### RYLA, YOUTH EXCHANGE & INTERACT ROTARACT ROTARY

#### Rotaract

Fall is in full swing and so is planning for district-wide Rotaract activity. Look for the district Rotaract team to organize joint Rotaract service activities and social events, to help Rotaract members from all six clubs to get better acquainted and to work together. For starters, at Rotary First Harvest in Kent, on November 10.

Everyone is looking forward to the district conference, always a big motivator for Rotaract members and a focus for the year will be building broader ties with Rotary clubs in our district, in addition to the relationships between Rotaract clubs and their Rotary sponsor clubs.

It all adds up to closer coordination, more service activities and more opportunities for our young Rotarians to hone their leadership skills.

To tap into the rewards of supporting and working with our energetic young Rotarian talent, contact District Rotaract Representative, Arielle Howell, at <a href="mailto:ahowell1010@gmail.com">ahowell1010@gmail.com</a> or District Rotaract Chair, Mike Madden. We'd love to help you get started. <a href="mailto:mikeminseattle@gmail.com">mikeminseattle@gmail.com</a>.



#### **Interact**

Our Interact Committee is hard at work focusing on several projects for the District:

- Facebook, Campus tours for Interact members at colleges and universities in District 5030 where we have Rotaract clubs
- A District social event for Interact clubs
- Resources for new Interact liaisons and advisors
- Service projects with Rotary and Rotaract clubs
- Introducing scholarship recipients to Rotaract

If you have ideas or suggestions about these projects or would like to join the Interact Committee, please contact Susan Beals at (206) 619-5809.

#### **Rotary Youth Exchange**

This is the prime recruiting season for Rotary Youth Exchange for the 2019-2020 Rotary year. We have two programs for students between 15 and 18: a short program over the summer school break and a school year program.

Youth Exchange has made global connections since 1928 and is the longest running Rotary project. Each year 8000 students live around the world, making lifelong friends and, in some cases, changing the arch of their lives. Youth Exchange is also a clear path through Interact, RYLA through Rotaract and into Rotary.

Clubs that are new to Youth Exchange may start out with a summer exchange. Rotary children and grandchildren are also eligible along with friends and neighbors new to the world of Rotary. The cost to the club for a summer exchange is \$0. If you are interested in learning more, please contact: Hal Beals, Chair, District 5030 Rotary Youth Exchange Committee, Cell: USA 206-849-3226, e-mail: <a href="mailto:hwbeals@gmail.com">hwbeals@gmail.com</a>

#### **RYLA**

Registration is now open for RYLA NW 2019. Information can be found at <a href="www.rylanw.org">www.rylanw.org</a>. We are working in implementing a new online registration program. Thank you for your patience as we bring elements of this online. if you experience problems, contact us at <a href="rylaconference@hotmail.com">rylaconference@hotmail.com</a>.

RYLA NW is celebrating its 50th Anniversary and will have a special slate of speakers and programming to commemorate the anniversary. Program info is coming soon. Meanwhile if you want to get more involved in the RYLA NW planning committee, contact Josh Gerstman, Kent Rotary

Club @ Josh.gerstman@gmail.com.