

Rotary



Club of Eugene

March 18th Meeting - Lookout Eugene-Springfield

Lookout Eugene-Springfield Updates



Lookout Eugene-Springfield's Community & Student Engagement Manager, Amanda Coers, will present information about Lookout's news site launch, hiring updates, and details about nonprofit support and the Lookout in the Classroom program. Lookout Eugene-Springfield is a community-focused local news organization dedicated to delivering high-quality, in-depth journalism that informs, engages, and empowers residents across the region.

About Amanda:

Amanda Coers brings a unique blend of experience in community outreach, event coordination, teaching, and journalism to her role as the Community & Student Engagement Manager at Lookout Eugene-Springfield. Her passion for fostering

meaningful connections within the community is at the heart of her work, where she focuses on elevating engagement and building lasting partnerships.

Before joining Lookout Eugene-Springfield, Amanda served as an English teacher, where she taught American Literature, Creative Writing, and Art to high school students. She fostered a love for literature and creative expression, encouraging her students to explore their unique voices and ideas through writing and the arts. Prior to teaching, Amanda was the Executive Administrator for the City of Brownwood, Texas, where she supported the City Manager and the Executive Director of Economic Development in coordinating operations and providing public information services to various community organizations. For several years before working in municipal government, Amanda worked as a journalist and news editor.

In May 2023, Amanda and her family relocated from central Texas to Eugene, Oregon, attracted by the region's natural beauty, inclusive community, and dedication to sustainability. She has since fallen in love with Eugene and Springfield's vibrant arts scene, rich cultural diversity, and outdoor recreational opportunities. From the thriving local art community to the picturesque hiking trails, Amanda is thrilled to call the Willamette Valley home.

Amanda holds a Bachelor's in English Language and Literature from the University of Phoenix and a Master of Arts in Teaching from George Fox University. When not working, she enjoys spending time with her family, exploring outdoors, painting, and volunteering with local organizations to give back to her community.

March 18th - At The Graduate!

The Tuesday March 18th meeting will be at **The Graduate - 66 E 6th Ave., Eugene, OR.**

Eugene Rotary Charitable Fund Grant Cycle Deadline Approaching

Eugene Rotary Charitable Fund (ERCF) is accepting proposals until April 30th for the current funding cycle. As a reminder, if you wish to submit a grant proposal to the ERCF you must have it approved by the Club committee that most closely aligns with the goal of your proposal. Proposal review will take place the week of May 4th. Questions? Contact a Fund board member (Greg Stewart, Monica Wilton, Pete Gribskov, Dennis Biggerstaff, Jennifer Geller or Dave Frosaker).

TRF Minute - Water Hygiene and Sanitation (WASH) in Zimbabwe

March is here, and for Rotary, that means celebrating Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) Month. This month we

Club Meeting

Eugene
Meets at Graduate Eugene
(541) 342-2000
66 East 6th Street
Eugene, OR 97401
Time: Tuesday at 12:00 PM

Events

March 18th
[International Service Committee Meeting \(via Zoom\)](#)

March 18th
[Eugene Weekly Club Meeting](#)

March 18th
[Rotary Club of Eugene Board Meeting](#)

March 19th
[Food for Lane County Monthly Volunteer Opportunity](#)

March 25th
[Eugene Weekly Club Meeting](#)

March 26th
[Rotary Club of Eugene's Community Service Committee Meeting](#)

April 1st
[Eugene Weekly Club Meeting](#)

April 2nd
[Rotary Club of Eugene's Program Committee Meeting](#)

April 3rd
[Rotary Club of Eugene's Environmental Committee Meeting](#)

April 8th
[Eugene Weekly Club Meeting](#)

Club Leaders



[Nathan Philips](#)
President

[Philip Holt Barnhart](#)
President-Elect



celebrate the transformative work of Rotary members and their partners to provide for the 2.2 billion people living around the world without access to safe drinking water.

The Rotary Foundation (TRF) invests in WASH Global Grants which, thanks to the time and contributions of generous members such as yourself, have carried out more than 2,667 Global Grant projects using over \$190 million in Foundation funding since 2014. This funding helps Rotary members create projects, but also provides others a direct way to engage in water and sanitation activities through their thoughtful contributions and commitments to The Rotary Foundation.

The Rotary Club of Eugene has consistently been the leader in our District 5110 in member contributions to TRF. For the past five years those contributions have averaged \$31,670 per annum totaling \$158,360.

To learn more about Rotary WASH programs and projects, follow this link: [Rotary WASH](#)

As just one example of the work your dollars have funded in Zimbabwe, follow this link: [The Value of a Well](#)

Most of all, THANK YOU! for enabling Rotary to create hope in the world. Please continue to give what you can.

New Member Induction - Rachel Walker



Rachel Walker, Director of Development at Oak Hill School, is going to be inducted on May 18th! She is sponsored by Josh Dickinson and Nathan Phillips. Please congratulate her on her membership and give her a warm welcome!

Community Service Committee - Skinner Butte Work Party Call for Volunteers



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Club Admin Chair
Club Executive Secretary



[Todd Anderson](#)
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[Andy Vobora](#)
Membership Chair



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International Service Co-Chair



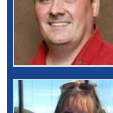
[Elizabeth A. Ness](#)
Past President
Eugene Rotary Scholarship Foundation Chair



[Gregory L. Stewart](#)
Eugene Rotary Charitable Fund Chair



[Karen Gaffney](#)
Community Service Co-Chair



[Jesse Quinn](#)
Club Director
Community Service Co-Chair

SAVE THE DATE!

Eugene Rotary's Annual Skinner Butte Cleanup: April 19, 2025
9am–noon, Rain or Shine!



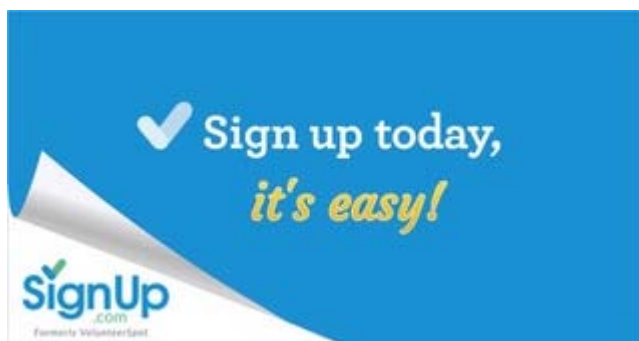
Dress appropriately for working in the weather forecasted.

Bring your own water and gloves!

Pizza and drinks will be provided around noon.

This is one of our club's long-standing commitments and volunteer opportunities. There will be a job for everyone! Family and guests are welcome to join in.

Please commit to joining the effort on April 19th by signing up using the link below:



[Annual Skinner Butte Clean-up
signup.com](https://www.signup.com)

Food for Lane County Call for Volunteers




This past Wednesday at Food for Lane County was awesome! Not only did we have a great crew of Rotarians (thank you Jeffery Garman, Sonya Carlson, Sonya's son Gage (not pictured), Scott Impehoven, Victoria Whitman

 [Bonnie J. Bailey](#)
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 [Maxine Proskurowski](#)
Interact Rotary
Adviser
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 [Raquel E. Hecht](#)
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Lunch Group
Service Chair

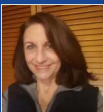
 [Richard A. Barnhart](#)
Club Director

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Chair

 [Susan Heisey](#)
Club Director

 [Richard K. Olson](#)
CCO-Club
Communications
Offcr

 [Gerald Whitman Harris](#)
Bulletin Editor
Webmaster
iPast President

 [Monica Wilton](#)
Rotary Connect
Chair

Birthdays

John Sather
March 15th

Heinz J. Selig
March 23rd

John Wolf

Harris and Jerry Whitman Harris - see photo above), we also had a whole crew of six from the Churchill Interact Club (also see photo above)! This meeting of Interact and Rotary was totally unplanned - ergo, a welcome surprise.

A great time was had by all! and we had a great time speaking with the Interactors and finding out what their Club is up to. Some of you may not be aware that our Club has sponsored the Churchill Interact Club for well over a decade. As were many things, the Churchill Interact Club was hunkered down during the worst of Covid and had several difficulties to overcome in getting the Club restarted. This school year is the first since the Covid shutdown to have the Interact Club active again.

If you missed out this time and now have developed a case of FOMO (fear of missing out), our FFLC volunteer night is **always** on the third Wednesday of the month - so put it on your calendar as a recurring event and let's see you join us next month! We will do our part to spread the bounty to our fellow citizens who don't have enough to eat and have a great experience too. Help us by **joining in at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, March 19th, 2025 at Food for Lane County**. Friends, family, children 10+years old and older (supervised by an adult), are all welcome!

Please contact **Victoria Whitman** at vwhitman@hearthstonere.com or 541-954-7171 if you would like to participate so we can let FFLC know how many volunteers they can count on. We have committed to at least six volunteers a month. The more people who come, the more fun it is!

Food for Lane County, 770 Bailey Hill Road, Eugene, OR 97402
Wednesday, March 19th from 6-8:30 pm

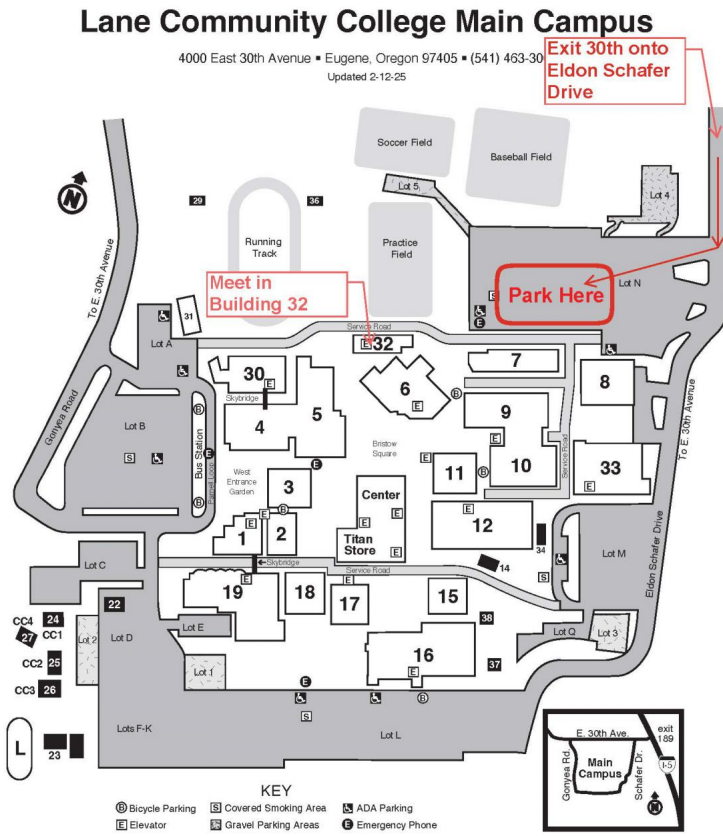
- March 26th
- Candice Barr
- March 31st
- Tom Gilmour
- March 31st
- Meagan M Thibodeaux
- April 2nd
- Jeff Robinson
- April 2nd
- Bev Smith
- April 4th
- John Barnum
- April 10th
- Julius Kyakuwa
- April 14th

Years of Service

- Gregory C. Richterich
- 03-20-1990
- 35 Years
- Jeffrey John Ogburn
- 04-02-1991
- 34 Years
- James Ralph
- 04-04-2000
- 25 Years
- Robert L. Hart
- 04-13-2004
- 21 Years
- Lynne Grilley
- 04-08-2014
- 11 Years
- Doug James
- 04-11-2017
- 8 Years
- Ken Brown
- 03-27-2018
- 7 Years
- Nissa Newton
- 03-15-2023
- 2 Years

Special Note - April 1st Meeting at Lane Community College

The April 1st Club meeting will be held at Lane Community College (LCC) in their new Health and Wellness Building. Directions for parking and locating the building are shown in the map below. Lunch is being catered by Mucho Gusto at a cost of \$15.00. Please bring cash or a check.



To request this information in an alternate format please contact the Center for Accessible Resources at (541) 463-5150 or accessibleresources@lanec.edu.



Disability

By Jesse Quinn



Mobility International USA (MIUSA) announces their Celebration & Fundraiser to Support the Women in Leadership and Disability (WILD) Conference!

MIUSA is a Eugene-based, disability-led nonprofit advancing disability rights and leadership worldwide. MIUSA was founded in part by a grant from our Club over 30 years ago. MIUSA's Celebration features keynote speaker and **former Oregon Governor Kate Brown** speaking on *"Women Leading the Way"*.

- **When:** Thursday, March 20th
- **Where:** Eugene, Oregon

If you wish to learn more about the Celebration, MIUSA, or the WILD Conference, or wish to help, contact Suz Dunn at sdunn@miusa.org or **541-870-9029**. If you want to attend, visit [MIUSA's event page](#).

Upcoming Meeting Programs

The Eugene Rotary Club is known locally for our outstanding speakers and programs. Here's what members can look forward to during the next month:

March 18 - Lookout Eugene - Amanda Coers. Introduction - Noreen Dunnells

March 25- Ethnomusicology - Club member Julius Kyakuwa. Introduction - Nathan Philips

April 1 - Lane Community College! including a tour of their new Health and Wellness Building! - LCC Associate Vice President Grant Matthews. Introduction - John Wolf....**NO FOOLIN'!**

April 8 - Lane Education Service District - Assistant Superintendent Eric Anderson. Introduction - Phil Barnhart the Younger

Next Committee Meetings

Community Service: Wednesday, March. 26 at 4:00 pm at Susan Heisey's office, 747 E. 32nd Ave, Suite A1, Eugene (fourth Wednesday). *Ed. Note: February Meeting canceled.*

Environmental Committee: Monday, April 7 at Noon, via ZOOM (first Monday). [Click here for Zoom link to Env. Committee Meetings](#)

Program Committee: Wednesday, April 2 at 8:00 am at 497 Oakway Road, Suite 280, Eugene. (first Wednesday).

International Service Committee: Tuesday, March 18 at 8:30 am, via ZOOM (third Tuesday) [Click here for Zoom link to Int. Service Committee Meetings](#)

Club Board Meeting: Tuesday, March 18 at 4:00 pm (third Tuesday). If you wish to attend, contact President Nathan to reserve a seat.

News you can use (and other snippets of useless information)

March 13/14 Total Lunar Eclipse. Clear skies willing, a total lunar eclipse will be visible in Eugene (and the entire United States). The eclipse starts at 8:57 pm on Thursday March 13 when the moon is in the east-southeast sky at 20degrees above the horizon, reaches the full eclipse maximum at 11:58 pm in the south-southeast at 45 deg, and ends at 3:00 am in the south-southwest at 40 degrees above the horizon on March 14.

March 20 is the Vernal Equinox. The Vernal equinox is the first day of [spring](#) in the [Northern Hemisphere](#) and the start of [fall](#) in the [Southern Hemisphere](#), by [astronomical definitions](#). Also National Ravioli Day - a day near and dear to your humble editor's heart (and stomach).

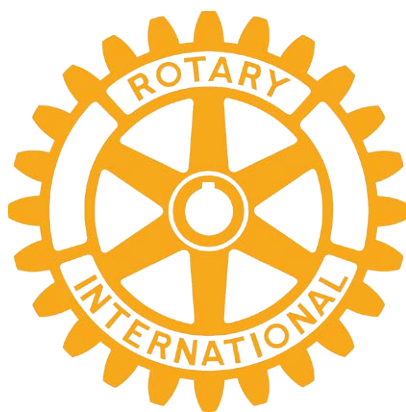
and...especially for Victoria:

March 23 is National Puppy Day. Observed each year on March 23rd, National Puppy Day celebrates the unconditional love and affection puppies bring to our lives. The day also brings awareness to the need for care of and homes for orphaned pups as well as to educate people about the horrors of puppy mills across the country. Puppies are a big responsibility. Be sure to consider everything involved and adopt from a shelter.

April 5th is National Deep Dish Pizza Day. This day gives pizza lovers a day to celebrate one of America's favorite varieties of pizza and bow down to the home of deep dish pizza - Chicago! Detroit-style, New York-style? Fogeddaboutit! All fugazis! Windy City deep dish will blow your socks off....and we don't put no stinkin' cheddar cheese on our pizza.

Do you know what is recommended you do **if you are alone and have a heart attack**? If not, read on....
[Read More](#)

Rotary Club of Eugene



Rotary is an organization of 1.4 million business and professional leaders united worldwide in 30,000 Clubs to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

The Rotary Club of Eugene has served the Eugene and Springfield Area for 100 years. We look forward to our second 100 years of Service.

Join us to make an impact in our community and around the world! To find out more about membership and fill out an application please visit:
[Rotary Club of Eugene Membership](#)

Club meetings can be attended on Zoom - link below



Meetings will be on Zoom assuming internet availability
Automatic link: Click to link. If using the link, no password is required.
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83908618864?pwd=Ly85Skc3NXhoVTZGOTZjeGpCWGI2dz09>
Meeting ID: 839 0861 8864
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Tell Us Your Story

By Daniel J Smith on Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Get Your Club News in The District Newsletter

Do you have an event, an announcement or something you want in the District newsletter? Go to <https://rotarydistrict5110.com/resources/tell-us-your-story/> and "Tell Us Your Story." It's really fast and easy.



The things you need are:

- **A Title** – something under 50 characters
- **An Excerpt** – This goes under the title (max. 150 characters)
- **A Feature Image** – This goes at the top of the page (at least 1200 pixels wide) [\[For help take a look at this article\]](#)
- **Your Content** – Your best prose or poetry.

Let us know when you want us to post it and when we should turn it off.

The great news is your article is added to the newsletter, featured on the District website home page, in the category you choose, and on all District social media, including Facebook and Instagram.

We are here to help you get your message out. If you have any questions, please contact the Webmeister at webmeister@rotarydistrict5110.com

Getting the District Newsletter

By Aimee Walsh on Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Where's My Newsletter?

Darn good question, and **we thank you for your patience as we transition to a new format along with our new District website**. It is the responsibility of District leadership to keep Rotarian's informed of the happenings and important information from Rotary International, our Zone, and our District. We also hope that it will help us connect with one another. We know change can be challenging and appreciate your support. In addition to fostering better connections, there are other good reasons to change the way our newsletter is distributed. Let me explain.



As you know, Rotary has a new Area of Focus, the Environment. It is not just something cool to talk about it's something to inspire us to take a close look at how we can take action. Every little thing we do helps.

Well, believe it or not, sending out over three-thousand email newsletters every week, that not many people open, does have an impact on the environment.

Here are some interesting facts from an article from the BBC:

Perhaps unsurprisingly, the footprint of an email varies dramatically, from 0.3g CO2e for a spam email to 4g (0.14oz) CO2e for a regular email and **50g (1.7oz) CO2e for one with a photo or hefty attachment** [like a newsletter], according to Mike Berners-Lee, a fellow at Lancaster University who researches carbon footprints.

According to estimates by antispam service Cleanfox, the **average user receives 2,850 unwanted emails every year** from subscriptions, which are responsible for 28.5kg (63lbs) CO2e.

If every adult in the UK sent one less "thank you" email, it could save 16,433 tons of carbon a year – **the equivalent to taking 3,334 diesel cars off the road.**

Choosing to send an SMS text message is perhaps the most environmentally-friendly alternative as a way of staying in touch, because each text generates just 0.014g of CO2e.

Little things do add up.

The District Newsletter

So what is the impact of the District 5110 Newsletter?

This is just a quick estimate but sending 3,000 email newsletters with images every week for a year generates about 17,196 lb CO2e. **That's enough to drive the family car 11,400 miles** (that's two trips to New York and back).

So, instead of just bugging everyone with an email that gets deleted, we thought it was better to offer our members a bit more control over how they receive District news. **If you open and read the newsletter, that's great.** [Sign-up here](#) and it will get delivered every week. You must [opt-in](#) to receive the newsletter.

If you prefer, we have an alternative News Feed we think you'll really like. It's much more environmentally friendly and you have the news right there on your phone or computer. Your news on your time. [Check it out.](#)

Stay Connected with Rotary District 5110 on LinkedIn!

By Christine A. Waugh



Exciting news! Rotary District 5110 now has a **LinkedIn page**, and we invite you to follow us.

As a district dedicated to leadership and service, we want to connect with professionals who believe in **service above self**. Whether you're a current Rotarian, a potential member, or a professional seeking meaningful connections, this is where we grow together.

Follow us today and be part of the conversation!
[Read More](#)
