

# Rotary Club of Aberdeen



Tuesday, March 4, 2025

## March 5, 2026 Meeting | On the Go at Steam Donkey Brewing

### Club Meeting Place & Time

Aberdeen  
Meets at Rotary Log Pavilion  
1401 Sargent Boulevard  
PO Box 836  
Aberdeen, WA 98520-0174  
Time: Wednesday at 12:00 PM



In response to member feedback we are starting up our **Rotary on the Go** events again, at least once a month. We are starting with some of the pubs that support our Poker Pub Crawl event, as a way to thank them for their support.

This week we'll meet at 5:30 PM at Steam Donkey Brewing, located at 101 W. Wishkah. There will be plenty of beverage options as well as pub grub and snacks. Join in for a relaxed evening of conversation, fellowship, and camaraderie.

There will be no zoom option for this meeting.

### Speakers

**March 06, 2025**

[Lush](#)

**March 12, 2025**

[Nicole Evanson](#)

**March 19, 2025**

[Ali](#)

**April 02, 2025**

[Mic McDaniel](#)

Vocational Training  
Centers in India -  
District Approved Grant

### Events

March 5th

[Aberdeen Weekly  
Club Meeting 3/5  
ROTARY ON THE GO  
- Steam Donkey](#)

March 12th

[Aberdeen Weekly  
Club Meeting 3/12:  
High School Swim  
Program](#)

**Speaker:** Nicole  
Evanson

March 19th

[Aberdeen Weekly  
Club Meeting 3/19:](#)

## Rotarians Hand Out Books at Central Park Elementary

On February 25th we held a Rotary Reader event at Central Park Elementary called the "Rotary Reader Accelerated Reader 'AR' Bookstore." The students work on their AR goals each month as part of their reading program, and when they complete their goal, they earned a free book at the 'AR' Bookstore.

A big thank you to Principal Ruth Erwin-Svoboda for her support and involvement. Rotarians Kati Kachman, Monika Kuhnau, Travis Hoppe, RYE student Lara, and former RYE student Sofi Lopez were on hand to give out over 100 books.



## **Big Brothers, Big Sisters**

**Speaker:** Ali

March 26th

## **Aberdeen Weekly Club Meeting 3/26: Fellowship Day**

April 2nd

## **Aberdeen Weekly Club Meeting 4/2: Vocational Training Centers**

**Speaker:** Mic McDaniel  
**Subject:** Vocational Training Centers in India - District Approved Grant

## **Birthdays**

Joy Beard-Eggert

March 7th

Curtis M. Janhunen

March 11th

Lorna White

March 16th

## **Club Officers**



**Randy Ross**  
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Board Member



**Lorna White**  
Secretary



**Kati M Kachman**  
Treasurer  
Past President



## **Club presents Rotary Reader Bookshelf**



On February 19th Foundation Chair Alex Klueh, on behalf of Aberdeen Rotary, presented Librarian Tamara King at Robert Gray Elementary with a "Rotary Reader Bookshelf" and 130 books for her to gift to students at the school to inspire and support their reading skills and joy of learning. and Foundation Chair Alex Klueh.

The bookshelf was donated by Foothills Family Furniture at Selmer's. The Robert Gray Elementary Rotary Reader project committee was Alex Klueh, Candace Juarez, and Travis Hoppe. Our important organizational partner and book source is the

South Sound Reading Foundation.

The Aberdeen Rotary Foundation is very committed to supporting literacy here in Aberdeen, and has embarked on a project-based Rotary Reader program with the local elementary schools. We are tailoring our projects to meet the interests and needs of each school, as informed by their librarians, principals, and literacy champions.

## **More About the Rotary Reader Program**

The Aberdeen Rotary Foundation awarded a \$1000 grant to McDermoth Elementary for the purchase of additional e-readers that are used to support new student readers with a read-along system. Technology like this can be crucial to helping students develop their skills, especially if they have reading challenges or learning difficulties.



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Officer



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International  
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On March 6th, we will hold another Rotary Reader event at McDermoth Elementary with another Rotary Reader AR Bookstore. Call Travis Hoppe if you wish to volunteer.

The Rotary Reader program is a \$5000 commitment from the Aberdeen Rotary Foundation this spring, and is funded specifically from the Aberdeen Rotary Foundation's Carole Hunt Memorial Fund, which has several areas of focus, one of which is improving literacy here in Grays Harbor.

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## Seattle Rotarians featured in Rotary Magazine

A Rotary club is fighting back against sex trafficking in Seattle. In this issue of **Rotary** magazine, one of its members takes you inside the operation to help women break free.

[Click here](#) to read your digital copy of the March 2025 issue



## Update on meetings in search of a program...

Sydney is officially booking programs for June, and she is looking for preferred locations for "Rotary on the Go" events. Sydney will happily accept any ideas or suggestions on what programs YOU want. If you know an individual or organization that might be an interesting noon meeting program, [email](#) Program Chair Sydney Swor with your idea (or better yet make contact with the prospective speaker and then pass it to Sydney to coordinate). Please include name, topic, and any descriptive information.

You can find out what dates are already scheduled by going to the Ignite app calendar, our website, and in this newsletter.

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