

# Rotary

## Club of East Bremerton



### This week's Rotary speaker

#### Speakers

**March 19, 2025**  
Chief Patrick McGanney  
Update on the  
Bremerton Fire  
Department

**March 26, 2025**  
Aljollynn Sperber  
Visit Kitsap Peninsula

**April 02, 2025**  
Captain J.D. Crinklaw  
Update on Puget Sound  
Naval Shipyard

**April 09, 2025**  
Brent Rotter & Ranae  
Beeker  
Accessibility for Mobility  
Impaired in Kitsap.

**April 16, 2025**  
John Gese  
Kitsap County Sheriff  
Department

#### Birthdays

Mike Columbus  
March 24th

#### Wedding Anniversaries

Victor C. Ulsh  
March 25th  
Christopher H. James  
April 15th

#### Years of Service



Last week **EBR Founding Father Denny Smith** stepped into his role as club storyteller, and shared a fun look at the history of jazz music and some of its famous names and styles. Thanks as always for enlightening us, Denny!

This week we'll have Bremerton Fire Chief Pat McGanney as our guest, talking about what's going on at the city fire station.

### Rotary announcements

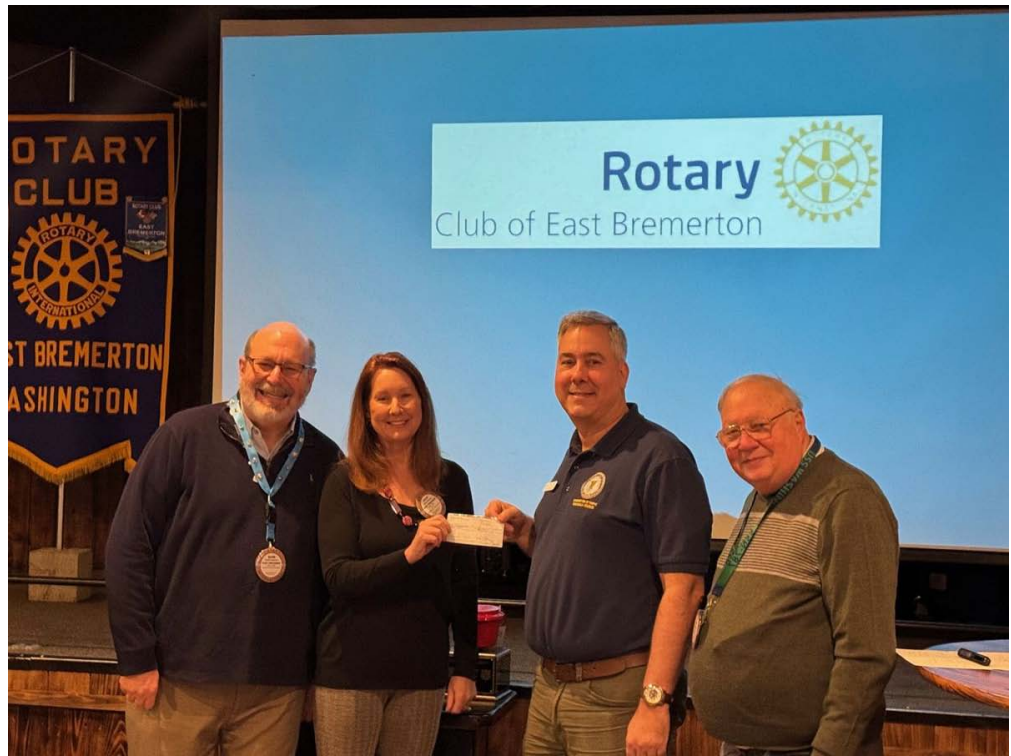
James E. Ryan  
04-01-1984  
41 Years

Victor C. Ulsh  
04-01-1993  
32 Years

Carl J. Glivar  
04-13-2021  
4 Years

Lance P Walters  
04-04-2023  
2 Years

Craig Volwiler  
04-06-2023  
2 Years



## EBR gift to support USS Bremerton Memorial

Kitsap Navy League President Tom Zwolfer was on hand last week to accept a \$10,000 donation from the East Bremerton Rotary Foundation, which will go toward the organizations project to build a memorial at the southern entrance to the city that features the sail from the USS Bremerton submarine. To learn more about the USS Bremerton project, [click here](#).



## Upcoming events

We heard a few items last week that you should add to your calendar now:  
-The downtown Bremerton Rotary's singing duo (above) invited us to its

**Wild Beginnings Dinner** (formerly Wild Game, though the selection of meats is still included). The event is Saturday, March 29, and tickets are available online [at the event's website](#).

-We'll have a '**Fifth Wednesday**' club social on TUESDAY, April 29. Plan for McCloud's at 5:30 p.m.

-Stacy Dore will host **an EBR Fireside**, which are informal club socials at a member's home, particularly done to welcome newer members, on the evening of Thursday, May 29.

-And May 30/31 is the annual Rotary District Conference for 5020, this year held in Tacoma. More information, signups and hotel reservations [are available here](#).

## Kitsap Great Give total

Our club raised \$19,781 during the Kitsap Community Foundation's Kitsap Great Give last week. That was the second-highest total of any small non-profit that participated. Thanks to everyone who was part of the effort! These funds go into our EBR Foundation charitable giving account, which we use to make gifts or do projects in the community in the coming year.

## March Madness Bracket Challenge

The NCAA college basketball tournament officially starts tonight, and this season Jay Lovato has set it up for EBR Foundation to make some money off our interest. Tickets have been sold for the right to play, and your selections will be drawn on March 19 after the club meeting. Half of the pot goes to the club, and the club member who draws the winning team's name gets \$300, with \$100 going to the other Final Four teams.

*If you have an item to include with the Rotary announcements, please email David Nelson at [heyNELS@gmail.com](mailto:heyNELS@gmail.com).*

## Who's happy?



*From the March 12 meeting...*

**Substitute President David Emmons** was happy for the Bremerton Knights boys basketball team, the new 2A state champions!... **Jim Aho**, for making it to birthday number 80... **Steve Treanor**, for last year's Wild Game Dinner, when his son got the first taste of Rocky Mountain Oysters and *then* the explanation of what they are... **David Nelson**, for a successful Kitsap Great Give... **Jay Lovato**, for visitor Suzie Vazquez and another day with his grandson... **Doug O'Donnell**, for an upcoming two weeks at the farm in Ellensburg to manage the place as a substitute... **Bill Wright**, because **Jill** is back from Mexico... **Dick Sims**, for everyone who helped distribute dictionaries... and **Howard Julien**, happy because Denny Smith did better with the clicker during his presentation than any other recent speakers...



**Jay Lovato** had his ticket called, eyed the baby holding that piece of candy, and pulled out the one remaining ball... congrats to the golden boy! We'll start a new raffle game this week.

