

# Eugene Metropolitan Rotary Club Weekly Bulletin

# **Eugene Metro Rotary Club**

District 5110 Club #342

## **Board of Directors**

Andrew Verner – President Paul Shang & Laura Macagno-Shang – Co-Presidents Elect Bryan Reed – Past President Warren Beer – Secretary Dale Morse – Treasurer Maureen Considine – At Large Scott Maier – At Large

## **Club Meeting Information**

Meets every Tuesday at 6pm at The Davis and via Zoom.

#### https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89946123206?pwd =MVQrR3dZTG5VUC95SzR5SDVTTIRjdz09

Meeting ID: 899 4612 3206 Password: 520249

Mailing Address: PO Box 24845 Eugene, OR 97402

# **Upcoming Club Meeting Programs**

March 25 Annie Herz, Executive Director, Sponsors, Inc.

#### April 1

**Russ Lowe** Author, *A Willow Tree Becomes a Forest* – how the author's grandfather Hop Lee survived and thrived in Oregon during the Chinese Exclusion Act era

#### Quote of the Week

"Courage is like a muscle. We strengthen it by use." – Ruth Gordon

## **March Birthdays**

Lisa Price – March 06 Bryan Reed – March 14 Scott Maier – March 16 Holly Cabell – March 23

### Announcements

Please save the new <u>Metro Bulletin</u> <u>Links</u> folder – items too large for the bulletin will be linked here.

Next Board Meeting: April 8, 2025 at 7:15pm

**Next Club Foundation Board Meeting:** March 25, 2025 at 7:15pm



**SSStream Team:** March 22 & Sept. 6, 9am-11am

#### **Prospective Member Announcement**

The Metro Board approved Holli Hunter's application for membership. Barring any objection by a member within 7 days of this notice and upon payment of club dues, Holli shall be considered elected as a member.

#### **Club Officer Slate**

During the April 15 Club Business meeting, we will be voting for the 2025-26 club board slate consisting of:

- Chris Hazen as President-Elect
- Scott Maier as Secretary
- Rich Margerum as Member-at-large

As a reminder, Co-Presidents Laura and Paul have already been elected for 2025-26 and Maureen Considine, Member-at-large, will continue in that role for one more year.

#### **Messages from President Andrew:**

As a member of SVRCG, Metro will be the lead sponsor of a \$9,000 global grant, leveraged with matches from District 5110 and RI, for 2026-27. Use the new Metro Bulletin Links folder for more information.

## Metro Club Goals 2024-25

Please use the <u>Metro Bulletin Links</u> folder to view.

### **Project Grants Committee**

The Project Grants Committee makes recommendations to the Metro Club Board regarding service projects that the Club should fund. This is your opportunity to participate in the decision-making

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process for club service project funding. All Metro Rotarians are welcome to attend. Upcoming meetings:

• April 16, 2025

# The Rotary Foundation (TRF)

#### Update: 17 members and \$4,465 to go

TRF is the bank that makes our district and global grants possible. Every penny you give will return to our district after three years in the form of matching funds for grants.

Metro's goal for total member contributions to The Rotary Foundation in the 2024-25 Rotary year is \$12,000. Contributions made between July 1, 2024 and June 30, 2025 will count towards that goal. Since July 1, 18 members have contributed \$7,535 to TRF.

Let's make Metro an EREY club: At least \$100 from Every Rotarian Every Year. If you haven't already done so, please set up an automatic monthly contribution to the TRF Annual Fund-Share via your credit card. If you are 72 1/2 or older, you can make an annual Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) to TRF directly from your Traditional IRA. Your withdrawal counts toward your RMD but incurs no taxes. Go to the Rotary Foundation donation page to start your donation today.

## **TRF Polio Plus**

The vast progress made in eliminating the scourge of polio around the world is being threatened by the draconian cuts in USAID. All the more reason to redouble our efforts in collaboration with the Gates Foundation. Our club goal for Polio Plus contributions in the 2024-25 fiscal year is \$1,200. Thus far, only 1 member has contributed \$100 to TRF Polio Plus. Go to the Rotary Foundation donation page.