

THE FUTURE OF ROTARY IS IN YOUR HANDS

Springfield Rotary
Meets every Wednesday at Noon at
Holiday Inn, 919 Kruse Way in Springfield
December 16, 2009

Nearby clubs to make up your attendance:

Monday

Eugene Emerald Club: Valley River Inn – Noon
Greater Albany: Spring Hill Country Club – Noon

Tuesday

Fern Ridge Rotary Club: Veneta, Our Daily Bread – 7 am
Eugene Downtown Club: Eugene Hilton – Noon
North Roseburg: Kowloons – 6:30 pm
Albany Club: Novak's Hungarian Restaurant – Noon
Eugene Metro: Downtown Athletic Club– 6 pm

Wednesday

Eugene Mid-Valley: Oregon Electric Station – Noon
Eugene City Metro Rotaract Club: Davis' Restaurant, 94 W.
Broadway, Eugene. 6:30 p.m. on *2nd & 4th Wed. of each month.*

Thursday

Eugene Southtowne Club: Vet's Club – Noon
Cottage Grove Club: Stacy's Covered Bridge Rest. – 12:10 pm
Roseburg Downtown Club: Kowloons – 12:10 pm
Corvallis Club: Corvallis Country Club – Noon
Eugene Airport Club: Eugene Airport – 7:30 am

Friday

Springfield Twin Rivers Club: Royal Caribbean – 6:45 am
Eugene Delta Club: River Ranch Restaurant – Noon
Greater Corvallis Club: Corvallis Country Club - Noon

President's Message

“With malice toward none and charity for all ...”

These immortal words of Abraham Lincoln seem to capture the holiday season. It's a time of peace, good will and understanding, the very things that motivate Rotarians around the world to carry on our mission every day throughout the year.

Here in Springfield, let me simply wish you all:

*Happy Hanukkah
Merry Christmas
Happy New Year*

Here's wishing you all a wonderful holiday season!

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Number 3179

President Bill Grile
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Back Table Schedule:

<i>DUTY ROSTER</i>	<i>12/16/09</i>	<i>12/23/09</i>	<i>12/31/09</i>
<i>Invocation</i>	Dave Lanning	Dark	Dark
<i>Greeter</i>	Trevor Harwood	Dark	Dark
<i>Door Prize</i>	Melinda Handy	Dark	Dark
<i>Attendance</i>	John Halgren	Dark	Dark

Please contact Michele Erickson, ericksonm@lanecc.edu or phone 726-4840 or Sue Fisher, opca@opca.org or phone 844-9990 if you have a question about your assignment.

PROGRAMS

Today: 12-16
Holiday Party at Roaring Rapids
 Next Week: 12-23
Dark for Christmas
 Following Week: 12-31
Dark for New Years

Calendar:

Dark Days...

12/23 ~ for Christmas
 12/31 ~ for New Years

December 16, 2009: Our traditional Holiday Party, being held at Roaring Rapids. **contact Bryce Jessen or Stephanie Kerns

Rotary Auction: March 12
 Time to think about who you will invite to this important fund raiser for the Springfield Club. What can you donate for the silent and/or live auction?

****Board Meetings:** Held the 3rd Wednesday of the month. This month the meeting is at The Hole in the Wall on Olympic St. Springfield 7:00AM to 8:30AM

Program Ideas:

Contact Michele Erickson ericksonm@lanecc.edu

Newsletter Articles:

Due Monday at 9:00 a.m.
 Email Vicki Schoenleber: vsco@citizensEbank.com

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District 5110 eNews

John Cox, District Governor

RAISE THE GOAL

DG John has issued a challenge from himself to other clubs that even in a recovering economy, with leadership and persistence, clubs can exceed their goal for TRF.

The following is from Mike Fox, the President of RC of Eugene (downtown) to his club.

"I am so thankful that the Club has responded enthusiastically to the Rotary Foundation. I think we're well on our way to reaching our pledge target. As a matter of fact, I think we're doing well enough that the Foundation Committee and I will raise our pledge goal. And, for sure, I still want to have every Club member give in some measure to the Foundation this Rotary year, whether through End Polio Now, the Club Foundation goals, Paul Harris Sustaining Membership, outright PH Fellowship, or through the credit card program. The need is so great, and we all have *some* amount we can give."

CLUB FUNDRAISER EVENTS

Clubs are reminded to publicize their events on the District website, <http://district5110.org/ClubEvents/ClubEvents>

- **Brookings-Harbor**, Nature's Coastal Holiday -- more than 400,000 lights in sculptures and gardens. Nov 28 – Dec 24
- **Port Orford Crab Fest**, Feb 20. Contact Rick Francona, rick@francona.net
- **Medford-Rogue** Rotary Cruise, Feb 27. Contact: Pam Garrison (pamgarrison@earthlink.net).
- **Ashland-Lithia Springs** Crabfest, Feb 27. Contact Ray Redpath, raybiltent@sbcglobal.net; 541-482-7210 (h); 916-952-9940 (c)

Buon Natale~ Italy Froehliche Weihnachten ~ German
Svetan Boznic ~ Bosnia and Croatia Feliz Navidad ~ Mexico
Zalig Kerstfeest ~ Belgium Boas Festas ~ Portugal Joyeux Noel ~ France
God Jul ~ Sweden Mele Kalikimaka ~ Hawaii
They all mean the same... Merry Christmas!

Recent Make-ups:
Contact Micheal Screen with your make-ups:
neercs@comcast.net

Word puzzles for your holiday entertainment

1. vlsire lblse
 2. tetlli rmumerde ybo
 3. tsnile tngih
 4. srftoy hte nnsawmo
 5. glijne lbles
- don't peek....answers are on the next page.

On the local front.....

If you have not done so yet, mark your calendar for March 12, 2010. That is the night of the Springfield Rotary Club Annual Dinner and Wine Auction. This is the only major fundraiser that our club does and it finances all of our projects and activities for the next year. You have all done an excellent job previously and there is no reason to think that we won't step up as a club this year and have the most successful auction ever.

The first auction committee meeting was October 28 and we got the ball rolling in several areas. The official kick off will be at the Dec. 9 and there will be an auction meeting after the regular club meeting. Here is what you need to be thinking about between now and the event.

1. What can I procure for the auction?
2. Who can I invite that will bid on items? (remember this is a fundraiser)
3. How can I help coordinate the event?

There are some areas where you can help immediately.

Silent Auction : Nancy Bigley and Vicki Schoenleber and Sue Fisher. They are willing to help this year also but we need more help. Please see Mark Johnson or one of these women if you are willing to help in this area.

Oral Auction: Tom Dragoo and Corkey Gourley are once again willing to step up and lead in this area. They also could use some additional help. Please see Mark Johnson or Tom Dragoo if you are willing to help with this.

Wine procurement: Bill VanVactor will be stepping in to procure wine for the auction and raffle. If you have any wine or winery connections, let Bill know. Bill will also be asking for wine or dollar donations. We will once again be asking for either \$25 donation, one excellent bottle of wine that would retail for more than \$25.00, or two good bottles of wine that would retail for at least \$15 each

I will most likely be approaching individuals to ask for assistance, so if I don't hear from you, don't be surprised if you hear from me.

Thanks for all you do for the Springfield Rotary Club.