

THE FUTURE OF ROTARY IS IN YOUR HANDS

Springfield Rotary
Meets every Wednesday at Noon at
Holiday Inn, 919 Kruse Way in Springfield
April 28, 2010

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: Davis Restaurant (beginning 4-06) – 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

“Rotary at Work” That’s what the signs said as the community drove by us on Saturday morning and saw a large group working on our signature Welcome to Springfield sign down by the Chamber Depot building, or across town helping with the Willamalane park project. The weather was great. Our projects were well-organized. And fellowship was in high gear. Speaking of fellowship, it was really great having the camaraderie of several from Twin Rivers Rotary helping out with our signature project. I wanted this to be about Rotary *in Springfield* ...and not just Springfield Rotary. And that’s how it was as we joined the thousands around the globe for international Rotary-at-Work day. The signature project sign is scheduled to arrive and be placed early in May. When I learn the exact date, I’ll let you and Twin Rivers know so that we can celebrate together. Thanks to Community Service Chair Nancy Bigley and all the volunteers who turned out to show Springfield Rotary at work! Great job!!

I hope those of you who will be in town May 21 and 22 are seriously thinking about attending the District Conference ... even if only to attend a single day or part of a day. I’d like to say thanks to the eleven of you who have already registered. I’d also like to say thanks to Beth DeGeorge, Mark Johnson and Rod Lathrop for committing Thursday evening during the Conference for home hospitality with visiting Rotarians from outside our immediate area. And I’d like to say thanks to Sue Fisher, John Halgren, Bruce Smolnisky and Melinda Handy for offering to help staff the registration desk at the Conference on Saturday morning.

Please remember the link, as online registration takes only a few minutes at <http://district5110.org/District/Conference>. This is also where those assuming leadership roles in July can sign up for the District Training Assembly and help ensure a great start for President-elect Mark’s year.

I’m so proud of you all for your commitment to our Club and the values of Rotary International. We’ve accomplished so much this year. Our achievements are accumulating but we’re never over the hump! Supporting District 5110 and representing Springfield Rotary at the Conference in Eugene is important for us to do. Let’s have a great turnout everyone!!

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Back Table Schedule:

DUTY ROSTER	4/28/10	05/05/10	05/12/10
Invocation	Vicki Schoenleber	Sara Marvin	Tom Cochran
Greeter	Bob Linahan	Kathleen Mathson	Rita Merrell
Door Prize	Corwin Lewis	Bob Linahan	Ed McMahan
Attendance	David Lanning	Corwin Lewis	Bob Linahan

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: 4/28/10
Ralph Christensen, EGR and Associates
Water in Lane County
 Next Week: 5/05/10
Hillary Wylie
How our tax dollars are spent
 Following Week: 05/12/10
Vocational Minute-Opportunity for club members to highlight their vocation

Calendar:



District Conference: May 20, 21, 22: Eugene, Oregon

****Board Meetings:** Held the 3rd Wednesday of the month. The meeting is at The Hole in the Wall, 1807 Olympic St. Springfield 7AM to 8:30AM

Dates to Remember:

July 15: Springfield Rotary Ems game at PK Park.

VIRTUAL FIRESIDE: 5th Wednesday of the month, at our regular meeting.

PROGRAM Ideas:

Contact Michele Erickson

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Newsletter Articles:

Due Monday at 9:00 a.m.

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News about our Club and Beyond

Rotarians in Haiti are laying the groundwork for the next phase of the recovery process: sustainable restoration projects that will enable long-term rehabilitation to begin.

The [Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund](#), a donor advised fund set up by The Rotary Foundation, has raised US\$1.3 million to help rebuild the country's infrastructure, which was shattered by the 12 January earthquake that killed up to 300,000 people and left 1.2 million more homeless.

"We are now at the crossroads as we move from immediate relief mode to sustainable development," says Past RI Director Barry Rassin, an account holder for the fund. "What is important is that we work with the needs defined by Haiti and always keep in mind that our help should strengthen their economy and not detract from it."

District 7020, which includes Haiti, has flown more than 100 planes filled with medical equipment, food, water, clothes, toys, and tents into the cities of Pignon and Port-de-Paix. The district's own account for recovery efforts has reached \$400,000, which will be used for sustainable restoration projects.

While the Haiti Task Force overseeing recovery efforts is still formulating long-term plans, committee members have identified three areas of major need: rebuilding schools, providing prosthetic limbs to amputees, and equipping thousands with adequate shelter before the rainy season arrives.

The 17 Rotary clubs in Haiti are developing a plan to restore at least one school back to operating capacity with desks, books, supplies, and other necessities. Schools are a priority because in addition to educating children, they provide at least one meal a day and help keep the students occupied and out of tent cities.

The need for prosthetics is also great. An estimated 4,000 people have undergone amputations from earthquake-related injuries and require prosthetic limbs. District 7020 appointed a committee to coordinate with organizations interested in helping to provide prosthetics. The district is looking to set up three clinics at an estimated \$50,000 each.

With the hurricane season approaching, district leaders have also appointed a committee to investigate appropriate ways to provide shelter than can withstand storms and earthquakes. The district has considered creating villages that would have all the necessary infrastructure, including water, sanitation facilities, and a clinic, school, and community center.

District leaders say they will provide more information to clubs and districts about how they can work with the donor advised fund as soon as specific details of the recovery plan are approved by the Haiti Task Force and cleared with the Haitian government. Those interested in applying for a grant from the Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund should complete a grant application form, which will be available on the [District 7020 website](#).

Contact Micheal Screen with your make-ups:

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Recent Make-ups: Bob Linahan, Shari da Silva, Mike Fischnaller, Meg Mitchell, Michael Screen. With two make-ups: Mark Johnson

Membership Minute: "Remember an involved Rotarian stays a Rotarian."

-Membership Committee

Local News

NEDCO is proud to announce the third season of Springfield Farmers' Market, an open air public market located in the heart of downtown Springfield on Main Street between 5th and 6th. The market will operate from **3PM to 7PM** this season to better serve neighborhood residents and other customers who work during regular business hours. Springfield Farmers' Market is Springfield's first seasonal farmers' market to enter a third season – we invite the community to help us make this our best season yet.

In 2010, Springfield Farmers' Market will continue to offer fresh, local produce, and will also provide a schedule of exciting, family friendly community events every week. The opening day extravaganza is sure to please. Join us for a Mother's Day Card Making Workshop for kids provided by Emerald Art Center, a composting workshop presented by the OSU Extension compost specialists, and drawings for prizes. All evening, shoppers can enjoy live music and entertainment throughout downtown Springfield. Along with us, many downtown establishments will remain open during the evening and invite shoppers to explore what downtown Springfield has to offer.

Springfield Farmers' Market is a program of NEDCO (Neighborhood Economic Development Corporation) provided in partnership with the City of Springfield and Team Springfield. The market exists to provide fresh, local produce and food, to generate economic opportunities for local farmers and vendors, and to actively participate in revitalization of downtown Springfield. Fresh and Lively Every Friday in Downtown Springfield!

"What is my life if I am no longer useful to others."

Wolfgang von Goethe