

THE FUTURE OF ROTARY IS IN YOUR HANDS

Springfield Rotary
Meets every Wednesday at Noon at
Holiday Inn, 919 Kruse Way in Springfield
September 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...

Springfield Rotarians, we're never over the hump! Have you given much thought to how you would define a successful year for our Club? Or for that matter, about how you would define a successful year for you as a Rotarian?

Our Club has a defined vision, and we have goals for such things as membership and contributions to The Rotary Foundation. But still, what about setting *personal* goals and using these to stretch ourselves? One of my personal values drives me to believe that "I'm never over the hump." In other words, I'm never fully satisfied that there's not another mountain to climb. May sound silly. May sound like a cliché. But it's a belief I've held for a long time -- since my junior year in college, actually, but that's another story.

Last week we heard Club Directors outline their projects and things that are either underway or that they hope to achieve by the end of this Rotary year. Some of these represent growth opportunities for our Club. One, taking *Gift of Literacy* to Rotary International as a proposed international program, represents a growth opportunity for Rotarians worldwide. I'm impressed with the commitment our Board is showing to move the Club forward and acknowledge to all of you that our Club will only grow when we stretch ourselves beyond our status quo. So then, what's my "stretch?" What's something I propose to do to stretch myself beyond the status quo and help grow Springfield Rotary beyond the comfort level of our own expectations? I can tell you simply that it's a project I've mentioned a couple of times and that Nancy Bigley identified during last week's Club Assembly. I'll leave others to give it a name, but to me, this will become "the Springfield Rotary high school civics project." I participated in a project like this in 1965 at Deerfield High School back in Illinois and it helped shape my future. It was called *Government Day* back then and worked probably much like the program Jim Eckman ran for several years at Yreka High School. The objective is to help high school students learn about their local government, with a mentoring element that affords some of the students opportunities to shadow local public employees in a variety of functions including planning and public works, police and fire, and top city management. I appreciate the support being shown the idea by Nancy Golden, Nancy Bigley, Chris Reiersgaard and Jim Eckman ... and I'm confident we'll get it going this year. If we do, we'll have taken advantage of another opportunity to stretch Springfield Rotary to another personal best in one area, and I'll have satisfied one of my personal goals. Remember though, we're all in this together and NEVER over the hump!

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 Michele Erickson & Ned Powell, Club Administration
 Rod Lathrop, Public Relations
 Jeff Towery, The Rotary Foundation (TRF)

Back Table Schedule:

DUTY ROSTER	9/16/09	9/23/09	9/30/09
Invocation	Steve Singleton	Kip Much	John Thomas
Greeter	Mike Fischenaller	Steve Fisher	Tammy Fitch
Door Prize	Philip Farrington	Michael Fischenaller	Steve Fisher
Attendance	Gene Drake	Philip Farrington	Michael Fischenaller

Please contact Michele Erickson, ericksonm@lanecc.edu or Ned Powell, nipowell@comcast.net or 726-4840 if you have any questions about your assignment.

PROGRAMS

Today:
Dr. Henry Paulson
Health Care Initiatives

Next Week:
Michael Reilly
"The Bill Dellinger Invitational"

Following Week:
Doris Towery
Duck Race Programs

Calendar:

MORE ROTARY FUN!!!
 "Past Presidents Tailgater" Saturday, **September 19th** at Autzen. Ducks vs Utah. It is FREE for Rotarians, families and friends (generous food and beverages). Signup now! Guaranteed fun.

Please note new date.....October 22: Fireside at Beth DeGeorge's home

****Board Meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of the month at the Heritage Restaurant on Mohawk Blvd. 7:00AM to 8:30AM**

Program Ideas:

Contact Michele Erickson ericksonm@lanecc.edu

Newsletter Articles:

Due Monday at 9:00 a.m.
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2010 RI Convention in Montréal, Québec, Canada, 20-23 June

Sophisticated yet friendly, Montréal offers an ideal setting for Rotarians to gather at the 2010 RI Convention. More than 80 nationalities and ethnic groups reside in Montréal. In addition, it is also the largest francophone city outside of Paris, making it the most bilingual metropolis in North America. Register early now for "An International Experience" and to receive the best rates and accommodations.

To go to the convention and experience the fellowship and Rotary at an international level

- [Register for the convention and ticketed events](#)
- [Reserve your hotel](#)
- [Purchase host event tickets](#)

There are several ways to register for the 2010 convention: For questions, [e-mail RI](#)

- [Online registration](#)
- [Download the registration form](#)
- [E-mail](#) for special tour group forms and other information

Reservations are taken on a first-come, first-served basis, so book early to secure your preferred hotel. Booking for RI Convention housing begins 20 June 2009.

Confirmations will be issued from Tourisme Montréal's Housing Bureau beginning in July. [Online reservation](#) through Tourisme Montréal's Housing Bureau

- [Download the housing form](#). For a block of rooms of 15 or more, download the [group housing form](#).
- E-mail: reservation@tourisme-montreal.org
- Phone: +1-514-844-0848 / 1-888-722-2220 (toll-free North America)
- Fax: +1-514-844-6771
- Mail: Tourisme Montréal's Housing Bureau
1555 Peel Street
Bureau 600 Montréal, Québec H3A 3L8 Canada

The host committee has planned events, tours, and a Host Hospitality evening with multiple options to help convention goers experience Montréal's cultural offerings with local Rotarians. Some of these events have limited capacities, so be sure to purchase your tickets early.

Announcements:

Fireside Meeting next month, open to all, come support our newest members. Red Badges do not miss this date.

Location: Home of Beth and Gary DeGeorge
Where: 7924 Thurston Rd.
Dates: October 22, 2009
Time: 6PM~9PM

March 12, 2010...Rotary Auction, committee will start meeting soon.
Please think about donation items for the silent and oral auction.

Recent Make-ups: Bruce Smolnisky ~Tom Cochran

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

"This is a changing world; we must be prepared to change with it"

Paul Harris

- [Download the HOC form](#)
- [Online ticket purchases](#)

For questions, [e-mail the HOC](#).

The venues will be the Bell Centre for plenary sessions and the Palais des congrès de Montréal for breakout sessions, booths, and the House of Friendship. These venues are within a short walk or métro ride of each other and many of the downtown hotels.

For more information about the destination and to download walking and métro maps, go to www.tourisme-montreal.org. Information for [first-time convention attendees](#)

In June, Rotarians will assemble in Montréal, Québec, Canada, for the 2010 RI Convention. That gives you just under a year to learn *un peu* Québec French. In addition to *bonjour*, *s'il vous plaît*, and *merci*, you might find the following terms useful.

boîte à chanson : A club that plays the style of French folk music known as chanson.

calèche : A horse-drawn carriage. Find one at the Old Port or the Place d'Armes.

dépanneur: A convenience store or corner shop, this is also known as a *dep*.

flâner : Meaning "to stroll," this is a perfect way to experience Montréal.

Je me souviens : Québec's motto, this means "I remember."

Plateau Mont-Royal : Known simply as the Plateau, this neighborhood features *beaucoup* boutiques, cafes, and Victorian charm.

poutine : A famed local dish consisting of french fries smothered in gravy and cheese curds.

Québécois: The colloquial name for the French spoken in Québec, or for a person from Québec.

Vieux-Montréal : Montréal's cobblestoned old city, home to the 1829 Basilique Notre-Dame and the Centre d'histoire de Montréal. Advanced learners can read Montréal's *La Presse* at www.cyberpresse.ca. To follow the news from the city in English, visit www.montrealgazette.com.