

Rotary Opens Opportunities

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Wanderings with Jo

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Happy New Rotary Year District 5100,

It is our time for new leaders, new beginnings, new ideas and new energies. Our new Rotary International President, Holger Knaack of Germany, surely with ESP, pronounced the theme for this year as "Rotary Opens Opportunities". Little did he know that we would be in the middle of a pandemic and "Opportunity" is just what we needed.

Three years ago, I started on the journey to become your District leader. I envisioned visits to every club, in every part of our district, in real time. However, with the global pandemic, that has changed. Our new reality is virtual activity. We completed our District Training Assembly virtually, cancelled our District Conference, where we were set to honor the accomplishments of DG Diane, and I received my club's banner remotely, instead of through the traditional hand-off ceremony.

I am now **wandering** through the many new opportunities and wondering how to secure a new playbook to lead our District this year. Our team of DG Elect Jim Boyle and DG Nominee Steve Williams, along with iPDG Diane Noriega are all focused on achieving success in:

1. Growing Rotary
2. Increasing funding for our foundation
3. Educating, training and supporting our District by embracing diversity and inclusion
4. Improving the visibility of Rotary throughout our District

What a way to start a Rotary year! The doors are open for an excellent year, and this is the appropriate theme: **ROTARY OPEN OPPORTUNITIES**. Our committees are continuing with their support of our updated Strategic Plan. Locate their links and lend your support to achieve our goals.

There is so much to do. Let's take the opportunity to wander through the doors of membership building, collecting The Rotary Foundation funds to increase support towards the focus on eradicating polio and helping to create a supportive and inclusive world.

Jo

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Due to the cancellation of the 2020 District Conference, the official District Governor banner hand-over was conducted between iPDG Diane Noriega and Marcia Wimmer, 2020-21 Pres. RC of Oregon City (standing in for 2020-21 DG Jo Crenshaw).

Thank you to Diane for her year of service and welcome Jo!



Monthly resources available [here!](#)

[Event Calendar](#)

Feb. 18, 2021 PrePETS, Format to be determined

Feb. 19-21, 2021, PETS, Double Tree Hotel, Seattle Airport

Apr. 18, 2021, Rotary Spring Training (aka DTA), Format to be determined

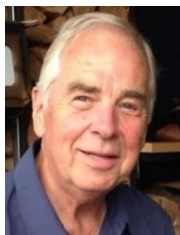
Apr. 29-May 2, 2021, D5100 Conference, Vancouver Hilton, Vancouver, WA
REGISTRATION IS OPEN! [CLICK HERE](#)

June 12-16, 2021, Rotary International Convention, Taipei, TAIWAN



Congratulations to **Walt Fitch**, RC of Oregon City and formerly of RC of Gladstone-Oak Lodge, on 50 years of perfect attendance!

What an accomplishment!



We mourn the loss of Past District Governor Phil Sperl (1995-96), RC of East Salem. More information on his life and many years of dedicated service to Rotary may be found here: [Phil Sperl, 1939-2020.](#)

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***HELP WANTED:** Rotarian NEEDED to be part of the R.E.E.L. Program Team. Must have expertise in MS ACCESS and MS EXCEL, and willing to help generate R.E.E.L. bi-monthly Participants' Progress reports for the District Training Committee and AGs. Estimated time commitment is 1-2 hours/bi-monthly. If interested in this type of club and District service,

contact [Rob Sachs](#).

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