



# Seattle Rotary Totem

## Next Meeting

Wednesday noon  
January 20, 2016

### Freedom Through Education:

*The importance of bringing college-level education into our prisons*

### Convention Center

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*Receive a weekly text with meeting location and program  
Text **Seattle4** to **313131***

## News

### Events Calendar

We are transitioning to a new website, and the links to club events and committee meetings that normally appear in this column are no longer active. Please refer to the home page Calendar at [www.seattlerotary.org](http://www.seattlerotary.org) to view upcoming events.

## Preview of January 20, 2016

**Freedom through Education:  
The importance of bringing college education to the women in our prisons**

The power of education to transform lives is familiar to Rotarians. We see this value manifested daily in the work we do and support. This week's program seeks to explore the impact of education on the women of our community who are imprisoned.



The United States currently incarcerates a higher share of its population than any other country in the world - an alarming trend that brings with it huge societal and financial costs. Women are the fastest growing segment of the prison population, and African-American and Native-American women are disproportionately represented in the prison population. Most of the women in prison have never finished high school, which makes them especially vulnerable to re-incarceration.

Our first speaker, Tanya Erzen, is an Associate Professor of Religion at the University of Puget Sound, and is the Executive Director of the Freedom Education Project Puget Sound (FEPPS). Tanya will help us understand how providing college education to incarcerated women works to change these bleak trends.

Our second speaker, Autumn Curtis, a former student in the FEPPS program, will share her experience at a more personal level. Going to college was not always a given for Autumn, but after starting her classwork while



in prison as part of the FEPPS program, she successfully completed her Associates of Arts degree and is now an undergraduate student at the University of Washington.

Please join us to welcome these two speakers and learn more about how education promotes freedom and opportunity to the imprisoned members of our community.

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## The After Party

◆◆ Thursday, January 21, 5-7pm ◆◆◆

*Ivar's – 1001 Alaskan Way*

*Join us to continue the conversation on Freedom Through Education: The Importance of Educating our Prison Population.*

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## Review of January 13, 2016

**Boeing exec describes deep roots, bright future in Washington State**

*Reporter: Bret Anderson*

**Lou Lundquist** started out the meeting on a patriotic note by leading us in the Star Spangled Banner accompanied by the talented **Freeman Fong**. After a short discussion about which key would be most appropriate we settled on A flat as being the easiest. Did you know that **Freeman** is able to transpose a song into any key by ear?



**Skip Rowland** led us in the invocation to pray for the Rotary. Lord, hear our prayer. **President Sue Nixon** introduced Brooke Linford, who will be our part time membership person. If you have a potential new member, please contact her at: [membership@seattlerotary.org](mailto:membership@seattlerotary.org)

Are You Feeling Lucky? There was a special surprise under one lucky coffee cup at each table. This was a Red Ball lottery ticket. If you got it, you can enjoy a few daydreams about what you would do with the money. However, **Sue** reminds us that if you win, you have to give half to Rotary. Seems fair.

## *The Raisbeck Aviation High School*



Rotarian **Beth Wojick** introduced Bruce Kelly, Principal of the Raisbeck Aviation High School. Bruce explained that the school is an aviation and aerospace-themed STEM school. It is one of the Highline School District's public schools and is focused on preparing students for college, careers and citizenship. The school serves about 400 students in grades 9-12 . There is a set of criteria that each applicant to the RAHS must meet and chief of these is a passion for aerospace. Boeing has supported RAHS with a view to developing

future tech savvy employees.

The RAHS approach to learning is project-based with strong emphasis on the students presenting and defending their projects in front of University of Washington engineering students and experts from the local business community. First year students have the famous heat shield project . Second year students have to find realistic solutions to problems faced by the Port of Seattle. The best team gets to actually pitch their solutions to the experts.

Students are paired with a mentor from one of the school's industry partners who is assigned to the student in Grade 9 or 10 and continues with them through graduation. The mentor advises the students on course and career paths and assists with selection of internships where students work in local industry before graduation.

Because RAHS has a special relationship with Boeing, some students get to actually ride in brand new 737 and observe the take off from the cockpit. Interestingly enough, there are no inter scholastic sports teams at RAHS. Instead, students can participate in more cerebral activities like FIRST Robotics challenges, Science Olympiad and Speech and Debate.

What a fantastic place! Bruce, is there an age limit for applying students?

### *Boeing and Washington*

Surprisingly, the main speaker, John Wojick, did not fly into the meeting room with a jet backpack. He was introduced by his wife of 29 years, and fellow Rotarian, **Beth**. This was a first for John who also commented that a great partner was critical and how fortunate he was with **Beth**.



John is Vice President for Global Sales and Marketing for commercial planes with Boeing. He says that Boeing is the coolest company and has been for 100 years and will be for the next 100 years. He says, "We make really cool stuff." From satellites to military equipment as well as commercial planes the technology is mind blowing. Boeing played a major part in putting Neil Armstrong on the moon!

Boeing is the largest aerospace manufacturer in the world. They see their role as "connect and protect" people globally. It is the largest producer of satellites, and a contractor for the International Space Station. Boeing has a division that finances support for military and civilian aircraft purchases. Another part of the company produces security systems for computing.

People love to work at Boeing. If you have to ask what there is to do there, then you probably don't belong there. There are 80,000 Boeing employees in Seattle alone. This is half of the total of 160,000 employees world-wide. Recently the headquarters for aviation moved to Chicago. This moved about 400 jobs but the rest stayed right here in Washington. This awesome workforce is one of the reasons that Boeing locates its major operations in the Emerald City. More people work for Boeing than for Microsoft, Amazon, Starbucks, Weyerhouser, Nordstrom and Costco.

There are a lot of statistics to demonstrate how Boeing and Washington are interconnected. There are half a million jobs associated with Boeing and aviation in this state. These people work for 1900 companies that supply \$5 billion worth of components and services. Boeing accounts for 50% of the exports from this state. In 2014, the company took in \$10 billion



in revenue.

With all this success, Boeing does not forget where it lives. It is one of the biggest supporter of public and non-profit charities in the State. John points out that this is the company's investment in Washington and commitment to the future of its home.

During the question and answer session John explained that one of the new challenges will be to attract skilled workers from the millennial generation. He also discussed the complicated arrangements for tax breaks and corporate support from the local government. All of Boeing's competitors receive outright subsidies from their government while Boeing does not. He closed reminding us that Boeing will be doing amazing things in Washington for the next 100 years.

Thanks, John, for a great presentation.

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## Looking Ahead

**January 20, 2016**

**Freedom through Education:**

**The importance of bringing college-level education into our prisons**

***Convention Center - 6E***

**January 27, 2016**

**Jack Ablin**

**Financial Forecast**

***Convention Center - 6B***

**February 3, 2016**

**Women in Banking:**

**A look inside the world of Banking**

***Westin***

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## SRSF Large Grant

Your Seattle Rotary Service Foundation will be awarding a \$100,000 grant in this Rotary year to support a Greater Seattle-based not-for-profit organization. This year's areas of focus are Basic Human Needs and Education.

The guidelines and Stage I application form were forwarded to club members on January 7, and were recently updated to note that we are not seeking proposals in the health, environment, or arts sectors this year. Completed Stage I responses must be received in the Rotary office by January 25, 2016. Click [HERE](#) for the updated form.

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## Peacebuilder Committee Update

Today and tomorrow is the 2016 Rotary International Peace Conference in Ontario, CA. This quick new video makes the case for Rotary prioritizing peace and conflict resolution. Watch it now on Vimeo:

<https://vimeo.com/129426282>

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## A Message from President Sue



President Sue's mini State of the Union for those who missed Rotary on January 6...

My first venture as entrepreneur was harvesting our family blueberry patch. I rallied my pals to pick with me. Then I'd sell our flats to neighbors and the local cannery. Patient adults taught me the

basics of business—steadfast optimism and to trust my instincts. My classroom continues.

You teach me community—bridging generations and disciplines—combining gifts and personalities with a shared passion to serve. The past 6 months have gone quickly. I have savored them. Rumor has it the next 6 will fly. We aim to make the most of them.

I've been thinking a lot about membership. There is fear around being smaller than we have been. Yet best futures are not defined by fear, they unfold with aspiration. We don't need to be massive, we aspire to be impressive. We honor our founders by perpetuating the goodness they envisioned. By being clear about who we are, and comfortable with who we are not... we attract new, with what is true. I am inspired by who we are today, and I'm excited about not keeping this community to ourselves. Our reach is immeasurable.

People ask, what is Seattle Rotary? I answer, “A delightful and eclectic community of clever citizens with a purr to lead and serve—who together raise consciousness and grace in our city and beyond... I can't wait for you to meet them!”

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## New Member Prospect?

Have a prospective member you would like Brooke Linford, our Membership Coordinator, to follow up with? Please email her at [membership@seattlerotary.org](mailto:membership@seattlerotary.org), and provide the prospective member's contact information and a brief context around the individual, then together you can coordinate the appropriate next steps.



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## Wider World of Rotary

Wider World of Rotary  
Brought to you by the Rotary Relations Committee  
Committee Chair: **Trent Mummery**  
Club Secretary: **Lisa Mayfield**

### ***Service Above Self***

A big thanks to the Seattle 4 crew who helped pack 19,200 lbs. of apples and 11,200 lbs. (8,615 meals) of frozen corn at the most recent Rotary First Harvest food pack held at the NW Harvest warehouse in Kent. This produce goes directly to local food banks around our state. The packing crew included: Kay Barton (with daughter Charley and son Jack), **Sten Crissey, Jim Duncan, Larry Granat, Ken Grant** (with wife Kristin and daughters Analisa and Zoë), **Dann Mead Smith** (with daughters Catherine and Sarah), **Lisa Mayfield, Allison Parker, and David Siebert**. Save the date for the next pack on Saturday, February 13 from 8:30-11:00 AM. To RSVP, email [lisa@agingwisdom.com](mailto:lisa@agingwisdom.com).



### ***Support Rotary First Harvest***

Join the fun at the annual Rotary First Harvest Hearts and Wine event on **Friday, February 12** from 6-9 PM. Lingenbrink Law is the sponsor of this event at the Herban Feast's Foundry. **SPECIAL GUEST: The Chef in The Hat Thierry Rautureau**. Event tickets include entrance, tasting tokens, heavy hors d'oeuvres, and access to the mini-auction. Secure your tickets today for \$70 each (\$75

after 1/31/16) at: [www.firstharvest.org/hearts-wine](http://www.firstharvest.org/hearts-wine)

### ***District 5030 Conference***

Join the fun at the annual District conference in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho on April 29-May 1. This is a great way to network with fellow Rotarians and learn more about Rotary. The following Seattle 4 Rotarians have already registered: Corinne Cavanaugh, Ken Colling, Sten Crissey, Cathy Gibson, Roberta Greer, Carolyn Hojaboom, Virginia McKenzie, Lisa Mayfield, Barry McConnell, Tom Mesaros, Jim Moore, Trent Mummery, Derick Pasternak, Harvey Rubinstein, Jean Thompson, and Kathy Williams. See you there! To register, [visit the conference site](#).

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### **Every Rotarian Every Year**

EVERY ROTARIAN, EVERY YEAR

TWO gifts, ONCE a year, EVERY member

SEATTLE ROTARY SERVICE FOUNDATION (SRSF)

and

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION (TRF)

*We change the world*

For information on making your contribution, please contact Sam ([sam@seattlerotary.org](mailto:sam@seattlerotary.org) or 206-623-0023).

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### **Seattle Rotary Goes Social!**

Get and stay connected with the club through our social media channels!

Twitter: @Seattle4Rotary

Facebook: Rotary Club of Seattle - Seattle#4

Linkedin: Rotary Club of Seattle

Big thanks to our channel champions for January and February: **Aubrey Buxton** (Twitter), **Eric Newman** (Linkedin) and **Ken Grant** (Facebook). Check out the tweets and posts from this week's Rotary meeting. IF you're interested in supporting our social media initiative, please contact [cathy.gibson@evolvepartnergroup.com](mailto:cathy.gibson@evolvepartnergroup.com).



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## Program Input

Are you passionate about Rotary programs? Do you have an idea for an engaging, inspiring and fun Rotary program? If so, please join us at a program focus group on Wednesday, January 27 following our Rotary lunch to share your program ideas as we gear up for the next Rotary year. RSVP to Lisa Mayfield at [lisa@agingwisdom.com](mailto:lisa@agingwisdom.com)

--Cathy Gibson, Lisa Mayfield & Erick Slabaugh

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## Happy Birthday!

**January 21**  
Patricia Gorham, Brian Marks

**January 23**  
Lisa Yeager

**January 24**  
Jan Sprake, Lori Walker

**January 25**  
Cory Carlson, Carla Fowler, Scott Jensen

**January 26**  
Cathy Gibson

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◆◆◆ **The Rotary Standard of Conduct** ◆◆◆

The Rotary “Four-Way Test” is a standard expected of all Rotarians:

1. Is it the Truth?
2. Is it Fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build Goodwill and Better Friendships?
4. Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?