

# Meridian Roller



Puyallup South Hill Rotary meets Thursdays at 12 noon at the Ram Restaurant,  
103 35th Avenue SE, Puyallup WA 98374

## Community Partners for Success



**Kevin Bates**  
**President**



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS



### Weekly Rotary Meeting via Zoom

Thursdays at 12:30 pm until further notice



**Veterans United.**  
*Home Loans of Puget Sound*

### Rotary District 5020 Training Conference *via Zoom* **Saturday, May 16, 2020-Begins at 10am**

Registration is Free - register for all or selected sessions  
<https://www.rotary5020.org/page/district-training-via-zoom>

*Virtual Year-End Celebration at 5pm*

### **Puyallup Daffodil Dash 5k Run/Walk** **Saturday, May 23rd**

*In person or Virtual*

*Installation Dinner-Thursdays, June 18, 2020 6pm*  
*Tentative*

### **Rotary Night at the Rainier's** **Thursday August 6**

*Tailgate and Game \$20; Game only \$10 Pay Suzanne*

### **Hounds on the Hill- ~~Cancelled~~** **Courage Classic Bike Ride**

August 29-30

Contact Suzanne for Volunteer Opportunities



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# ROTARY TEAM

## *cares*

It started with a dream...a germ of an idea...shared with Club Service Chair Bobbi Stephens. Could we put together a team of Club members who could focus on caring for each other and caring for the community – all from their computers, kitchens, offices, and homes – and do it for the duration of the COVID-19 Pandemic. “Yes!” exclaimed Bobbi “I would be happy to lead such an initiative!” And so it was born...**Rotary TEAM Cares**...volunteer Club members caring for each other and for members of the community...supporting the people on the front lines, supporting the elderly, supporting the homeless, supporting the community...while supporting each other. While imagining the idea, sharing the dream, and creating a response, Rotarian Karen Hansen worked with Stephens and Rotarian Sally Pessein to collect ideas and projects to spread caring support throughout the community. Under the leadership of President Kevin Bates, Rotary Board Member pieced together unused budget monies at their March 26, 2020 meeting to provide \$2,000 to each of six non-profit, community organizations to assist with services related to the COVID-19 outbreak.

## SEWING FACEMASKS

Rotarian Tammy Montevideo, members, and friends coordinated an effort to sew over 100 face masks to give to distribute to patients and staff at Community Health Care, a medical organization serving more than 46,000 patients each year at its six medical and four dental clinics in the Pierce County area. Staff in three of those clinics treat or test for COVID-19 and three clinics see non-COVID related patients. The majority of the patients are low income or members of under served populations. A huge shout out to Seamstress Stephanie Plumber. Not a Rotary member but wanted to do something to help she was responsible for sewing the majority of the masks. Our own South Hill Rotarian, Lisa Moczynski made and delivered 30 masks to the Washington Soldiers Home in Orting.



## FUNDING A LOCAL FOOD PANTRY

A funding mechanism was established to support Hands of Hope, a local organization with a food pantry that supports Puyallup School District families in need. Currently serving over 150 families, Puyallup South Hill Rotarian Patti McMullan and the Emerald Ridge High School interact students, and member of the Cornerstone Community Church Provided food and toiletry items to serve families in need. Following a decision to commit fines and donations from a recent Club meeting, South Hill Torary Treasurer Don Miller presented a check for \$1,885 to Patti McMullan to assist with this program.



## HOME COOKED MEALS

Following a tip from President-Elect Suzanne Johnson, Rotary TEAM Cares assembled a home-cooked meal for 70 members of the local community. Home-cooked spaghetti, crisp salad, rolls, fresh-baked cookies and bottles of water were delivered to Immunuel Lutheran Church in Puyallup to serve to dinner guests.



## AND THE WORK GOES ON

Caring for each other and caring for the community...South Hill Rotarians working together, remaining hopeful in the face of a Conronavirus pandemic, believing in themselves, and keeping ong for others while serving the community

