BALLARD ROTAGRAM

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Member Notes



October 20th Club Meeting

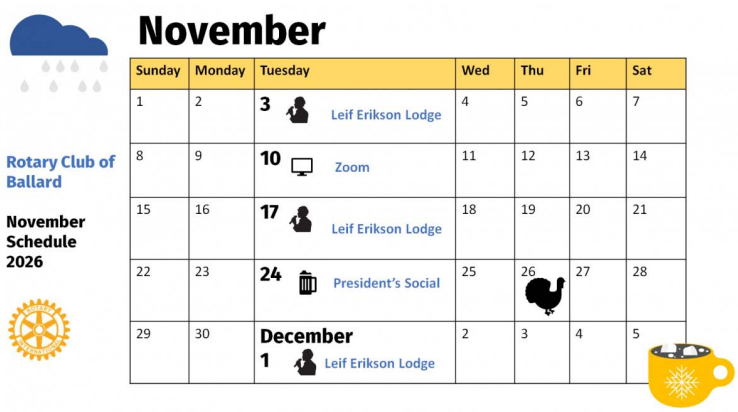
It was an upbeat club meeting on October 20th, with excellent attendance and an inspiring talk from Ballard's own son, Chris Kaimmer. Plus guest Lori Ann Reinhold announced her decision to become a member of the club!

Attendance Total: 20
Members: 16
Guests: 4 (speaker Chris Kaimmer, Lori Ann Reinhall, Jana Peterson, Ingrid Wysong)

Meeting Pix


Fred Finkelstein and Ingrid Wysong

Club Calendar



November 3rd Club Meeting details:

- **SPEAKER:** To be determined
- **TIME:** 12:00 Noon
- **LOCATION:** Leif Erikson Lodge, 2245 NW 57th St
- **NOTES:** Pay for your lunch ahead of time: https://bit.ly/4qOoJl1. And don't forget, you can park for free in the parking lot at Leif Erikson Lodge, as well as in the underground parking lot at QFC (across the street from Leif Erikson Lodge)!

November 10th Club Meeting details:

- **SPEAKER:** TBD
- **TIME:** 12:00 Noon
- **LOCATION:** Zoom
- **NOTES:** Wil Barrett will send out the Zoom link ahead of time, so be watching for it!

November 17th Club Meeting details:

- **SPEAKER:** TBD
- **TIME:** 12:00 Noon
- **LOCATION:** Leif Erikson Lodge, 2245 NW 57th St
- **NOTES:** Pay for your lunch ahead of time: https://bit.ly/4qOoJl1. And don't forget, you can park for free in the parking lot at Leif Erikson Lodge, as well as in the underground parking lot at QFC (across the street from Leif Erikson Lodge)!

November 24th Details: Get Social!



Due to this being the week of Thanksgiving, President Wil is opting out of an "official" Prez social this week. Instead, he is encouraging club members to invite each other out for coffee or drinks. This week is the perfect time to just have a simple one-on-one with another member. Another option is to join up at the Conor Byrne and hang with the Ballard Solidarity folks. Wil Barret plans to do this, and invites club members to join him. So two options, and both are great! Make your plans now!

October 20th Program: Chris



Arnold Papernick, Jana Peterson, and Brian Dang



Chris Kaimmer and Alana Morris



Nancy Pasternak and Andree Hurley

Kaimmer



Attendees of the October 20th club meeting were treated to a most informative and wonderful presentation by Chris Kaimmer who conveyed with great warmth his love for all things Ballard and all things soccer. He spoke about his Ballard roots and his formative experiences at Ballard High School. He credits Ballard Rotary's support of Computers for the World with broadening his horizons and helping shape his path to Yale. He spoke of soccer as a global language, and how travel, college research, and nonprofit work in South Africa showed him how soccer can connect communities and support social change.

Chris spoke about entrepreneurship and community. His ventures included soccer travel, "Rome Paris London Ballard" sweatshirts benefiting the food bank, and co-founding Ballard FC. He described his Seattle soccer experiences, including Ballard FC's rapid success and national championship, followed by his Sounders sponsorship work and the World Cup soccer barge at Pier 62. During the Q&A, Chris agreed that rising ticket, concession, and parking costs make soccer less accessible. In all, it was an informative and inspiring program!



Wil Barrett and Fred Finkelstein

President's Social on Oct 27



Attendees:
Members: 9
Guest:1

All who attended the October social on October 27th at the Sloop Tavern enjoyed great camaraderie, drinks, and food. Woohoo! Thanks to Wil Barrett for scheduling a social at this popular and unpretentious local pub, known for the Sloop Tavern Yacht Club and for being a friendly local spot for many. A highlight of the evening was when Andrew Miller stopped by our table. Andrew is the local artist (of Jimothy fame) who will be painting our club's mural on building in Ballard. Andrew Miller is a multifaceted Seattle artist whose work bridges public murals, fine art, and photography, and is deeply rooted in community engagement. More on this exciting project at a later date!

Rotarians Are People of Action!

October Service Project

Thank you to all the Ballard Rotarians who volunteered at the Leif Erikson Lodge, helping with its holiday bazaar the weekend of October 24-25! Volunteers enjoyed the bonus of enjoying Nordic food and crafts, and the opportunity to win raffles and silent auctions. This was a major fund-raiser for the Lodge, and thanks to all who supported it!



Tina Aure staffs the Lodge's booth.



Andree Hurley



Derick Pasternak, Pete Scott, Linda Scott



Andrew Miller and Wil Barrett



James Raptis and Doug Warne



Stan Miner and Linda Scott


Wil Barrett and Mark Stewart

Mark Your Holiday Calendar!

Save these dates on your holiday calendar! They will be here before you know it. :)

Event: Ballard High School Vocal Jazz Choir Holiday Performance
Date: Tuesday, December 8
Time: Noon
Location: Leif Erikson Lodge

Event: Rain City Voices & Sound Harmony Holiday Show



Jossy Murichu and Brian Dang receive instructions before starting their shift.



Derick Pasternak wears his authentic Norwegian sweater that he inherited from his father!

Date: Dec 12, 2026
Time: 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Location: Quest Church, 1401 NW Leary Wy, Seattle, WA 98107, USA

Event: Ballard Rotary Holiday Party
Date: Saturday, December 12
Time: 4 PM to 7 PM
Location: Home of Derick & Nancy Pasternak



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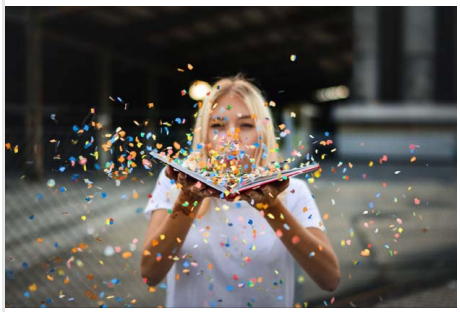
Celebrate!



BIRTHDAYS: Heartfelt happy birthday greetings to the following club member celebrating his birthday in November. Be sure to give your congratulations at our next club meeting!

Member	Birthday
Steve Stansfield	16 November

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES: Congratulations to the following club members on their anniversary of joining Rotary Club of Ballard. You make our club special! We hope you will remain members for a very long time to come!

Member	Years
Kathleen Linscott	10
Derick Pasternak	7+
Gary Borjan	0 (new!)

Club Leadership 2026-2027

Please join us at our lunch club meeting at noon every 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Tuesday of the month. On the 1st and 3rd Tuesday we meet in person at Leif Erickson Hall, 2245 NW 57th in Ballard and the cost of lunch is $20. The 2nd Tuesdays are online via Zoom. Request a link to the Zoom meeting from our club president.

On 4th Tuesdays, join us for an informal after-hours social at 5:30 PM at familiar pubs and



Nancy Pasternak finds time to chat with Lori Ann Reinhold.

November Service Project

Our November service project is volunteering at Edible Hope Kitchen on different dates in small groups of two or three. Edible Hope Kitchen needs volunteers to help M-F from 7-11 AM with cooking, cleaning, food prep and serving meals. Breakfast is served from 8 AM to 10 AM, five days a week (Monday through Friday). It's a great way to connect with our community and experience the great work being done all year round! More details to follow!

Support Your Club



breweries in Ballard. Check the newsletter for the location!

Excursions on 5th Tuesdays are changeable in location and time so be sure to check our FB page or our website.

UPCOMING EVENTS

District 5030 Convention
April 15-18, 2027
Marcus Whitman Hotel
Walla Walla, WA
Register at Ignite Your Rotary Spirit | 2027.

CLUB LEADERSHIP

Board of Directors
President (2026-2027)
Wil Barrett
President-Elect (2027-2028)
TBD
Immediate Past President
Alana Morris
Club Service Chair
James Raptis
Secretary
Nick Rogness
Treasurer
Pete Scott
Community Service Chair
Nick Rogness & Terry Collings
Membership Chair
Fred Finkelstein
The Rotary Foundation Chair
Stan Miner
Public Image Chair
Kathleen Linscott
Peacebuilders Chair
Val Gaifoulline
Programs Chair
David Rice
International Chair and Grants Officer
Alana Morris & Derick Pasternak
Family of Rotary]
William Barrett
Vocational Services Chair
[TBD]
Youth Committee Chair
Mark Stewart
Environmental & Sustainability Chair
Andree Hurley
Ballard Rotary Foundation Directors
Director: Stan Miner
Secretary: TBD
Treasurer: Pete Scott
Member: David Rice



No need to bring cash or credit card, if you use these handy links to pay for your club meeting payment needs:

Happy Bucks
https://bit.ly/4a1tsQm



Brown Bear Car Wash is the official car wash of the Seattle Seahawks!

Support our club by purchasing Brown Bear car wash tickets! The price is only $10 (retail is $12) so it is a bargain for you that benefits the club. Send your check to James Raptis, and he will mail your tickets to you. Or you can purchase the tickets at a club meeting, just ask James Raptis!



Buy a peace car flag and support Ballard Rotary! Peace car flags are available for the low price of $10 each, with $5 going to Ballard Rotary. The flag attaches to your car window, and when the window is closed, the flag flies just above the roofline of your car. Thank you to Rotary Club of Bellevue and Nancy Pasternak, who had the flags printed and made them available to us. To purchase, contact Derick Pasternak, by email or phone.



Purchase a Ballard Rotary baseball cap and wear it proudly, especially when attending service projects! The cost is only $20! To purchase, contact James Raptis.

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Lunch Ticket for 1
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