

Rotary

Club of S.E. Portland, Oregon



Fundraiser going well, but now we MUST sell tickets to it!

October 29, 2018



At today's club meeting, Bill Russell – Executive Director of Union Gospel Mission – was speaker. His colleague, Adam Moore, is in the background, by the flag. The topic was "addressing homelessness".

Sponsorship sales are going well in our new, simplified, Wreath Auction and Celebration, at Oaks Park's Dance Pavilion at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, December first – although quite a few promised and prospective sponsor checks have yet to come in. But now, it is urgent that we sell TICKETS so that there is an actual audience there for it all! Tickets can be bought electronically at our internet presences, including at www.SoutheastPortlandRotary.com. Or, for those preferring actual printed tickets, see Bill Meyer or Mark Pennington! Our next Auction Planning Meeting is at Eastmoreland Golf Course Grill, let by Mark Pennington, this Friday morning, November 2, at 8:30 a.m. ALL are welcome!

Today's program was presented by East Portland Rotarian and Executive Director of the Union Gospel Mission, Bill Russell. The organization has been working with the homeless for generations, but today an outreach that used to be focused mainly on Portland's "Old Town" now extends to all corners of the city. Russell gave a hard-hitting talk, pointing out that Portland City Hall has been relatively ineffective in dealing with the problem; "70% of the homeless are disabled, including mentally disabled, or addicted to alcohol or drugs." He pointed out that "housing will not end homelessness. These people need a life that is self-sustaining. Many HAD housing and lost it because of these disabilities." The biggest need is addressing mental issues. UGM is working on it.

CLUB NEWS

With our Wreath Auction again our major fundraiser – but with some simplifications to make it more feasible for a club our size – Mark Pennington is our Auction Chair this year. A fine event is planned – with the dinner catered by Sellwood's "a Cena" Italian Restaurant; live music; and the Wreath Auction. *This is an all-club effort, and we need participation from every member!* Sell sponsorships! Buy (and sell) tickets! See the attached flyer for more.

As for the big evening itself – Saturday evening, December 1, 5:30 p.m. at the Oaks Park Dance Pavilion – online ticket sales have already begun on our website and Facebook pages, and Mark has prepared printed tickets for those needing them.

We are preparing to receive, and distribute to Inner Southeast schools, new Rotary dictionaries!

Our official meeting place these days is in the downstairs meeting room at Moreland Presbyterian Church, 1814 SE Bybee Blvd. in Westmoreland. See the schedule at right about when they will be. Watch for e-mailed updates from this year's Club President, Kathy Stromvig!

FUTURE PROGRAMS

- Nov 5 – Laurie Lewis of "Hip Chicks Do Wine"
- Nov 12 – Becky Steed, on cleft palate repair in Myanmar
- Nov 19 – T.B.A.
- Nov 26 – Dave Ripley – Brief history of computers!
- NOV 30 – DECORATE WREATHS
- DEC 1 – ANNUAL WREATH AUCTION, OAKS PARK!
- Dec 3 – Review of Wreath Auction outcome

BRING A GUEST TO A ROTARY MEETING!

CLUB ASSIGNMENTS

"Greeter" Assignments

11/5–Michelle Maida Hager; 11/12–Joel Fields; 11/19–Stephen Bache; 11/26–Joe Amato; 12/3–Judy Tester; 12/10–Tamara Still; 12/17–Janean Rundle

"Invocation" Assignments

11/5–Janean Rundle; 11/12–Tamara Still; 11/19–Judy Tester; 11/26–Stephen Bache; 12/3–Joel Fields; 12/10–Michelle Maida; 12/19–Mark Hansen

"Meals On Wheels" Delivery

11/6–Mark Pennington; 11/13–Stephen Bache; 11/20–Bill Meyer; 11/27–Dean Gibbons; 12/4–Janean Rundle; 12/11–Kathy Stromvig; 12/17–Judy Tester; 12/25–Linda Amato; 1/1–Joel Fields; 1/8–Mark Pennington

Chris McKee is the Manager of the Thelma Skelton Meals on Wheels Center now located at Moreland Presbyterian, for whom we deliver lunches at noon each Tuesday; reach him at 503/933-8209, or e-mail him: chris.mckee@mealsonwheelspeople.org. When you deliver, please arrive well before noon! 11:30 is not too early! If you can't do it as assigned, make sure someone else does cover it for you!



Lisa Allen acquaints us with Goodwill Northwest

At our October 8 meeting, our speaker was Asst. District Governor Lisa Allen (above), who also is with the area's Goodwill Industries – the primary mission of which, she told us, is "to help people find jobs". The local organization of the nonprofit had \$117.2 million in sales last year, and the local Goodwill organization is the "most profitable in the whole world". 81% of donated items are sold or recycled; the finest donated items are placed on the Goodwill website and sold online, so it's worth checking there! It was an interesting talk, and club members learned a lot about this organization.



Rotary
Southeast Portland



Saturday, December 1 at 5:30 PM
Oaks Park Dance Pavilion



Dinner by a Cena Restaurant



Silent Wreath Auction



Wall of Wine



Live Music

Proceeds Benefit

- Youth Exchange
- Meals on Wheels
- Student Dictionaries
- Projects locally and around the world

Buy Tickets

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