



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2022 YAKIMA VALLEY COLLEGE

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Rotary*

U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE DAVID ESTUDILLO NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH



David G. Estudillo is a U.S. District Judge for the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington, which covers all counties in Washington West of the Cascades. Appointed under Article III of the U.S. Constitution, federal district court judges are nominated by the president, confirmed by the Senate and serve lifetime appointments upon good behavior.

Judge Estudillo was nominated for the judgeship on April 29, 2021 and appeared before the Senate Judiciary Committee on June 9, 2021. After receiving a favorable Committee report, the Senate confirmed his nomination on September 14, 2021, and President Joe Biden signed his commission on October 7, 2021. On September 3, 2022, Judge Estudillo began a seven-year term as the Chief District Judge for the Western District of Washington.

Prior to his nomination, Judge Estudillo served as the presiding judge of the Grant County Superior Court in Ephrata, Washington. He was appointed to the Superior Court by Washington State Governor Jay Inslee in 2015 and subsequently elected to his position by the voters of Grant County in 2016 and 2020. Prior to his appointment to the Superior Court, from 2005 to 2015, Judge Estudillo owned and operated Estudillo Law Firm, PLLC, where he focused on immigration law and general civil litigation. From 2002 to 2005, Judge Estudillo also practiced at the Seattle law firm of Scheer and Zehnder LLP, where he focused on complex, multiparty civil litigation. He began his legal career at the Wenatchee law firm of Jeffers, Danielson, Sonn & Aylward, P.S.

Being fluent in Spanish, Judge Estudillo often provided pro bono representation as an attorney to Spanish speaking immigrants in removal proceedings before the Seattle and Tacoma Immigration Court. He assisted with the filing and presentation of claims for asylum, withholding of removal, Convention Against Torture Act and cancellation of removal. He also volunteered at Citizenship Day Clinics where he assisted immigrants in preparing applications for naturalization and frequently presented information on immigration law at community forums.

At the time of his Senate confirmation vote, Judge Estudillo was serving as the president of the Washington State Superior Court Judges' Association. He also was an active member of the Association's Ethics Committee and Legislative Committee and was chair of its Rural Courts Committee.

Judge Estudillo was born and raised in Sunnyside, Washington. He is the ninth of ten children born to Mexican immigrants who arrived in the United States as farm laborers via the Bracero program. Five of Judge Estudillo's older siblings were born in Mexico.

Judge Estudillo graduated from Sunnyside High School in 1991. He earned an Associate of Arts degree from Columbia Basin Community College in Pasco, Washington in 1993. He then transferred to the University of Washington and obtained a degree in Business Administration (concentration Finance) in 1996 and a law degree from the University of Washington School of Law in 1999. Judge Estudillo was admitted to practice law in the State of Washington in 1999.

FOR THURSDAY'S MEETING

Greeters – Raul Martinez, Angela Gonzalez

Invocation – Russ Wilkinson

Sergeant-at-Arms – Bob Udell

Program – Sonia Rodriguez True

FUTURE PROGRAMS

October 20th – Alli Frank & Asha Youmans, Humor's Place
in Storytelling

October 27th – Andrew Holt, Jonathan Smith & Amy Martinez, What's
New in Economic Development & the Workforce

November 3rd – Rikki Cooper & Kevin McCarthy, White Pass Ski Area



MUTTS & MINGLES

sponsored by Yakima Rotary Membership Development Committee
Thursday, October 13th, 5pm to 7pm
The Kiln Taproom
815 S. 72nd Ave.



This is your chance to bring a friend to INTRODUCE to Rotary AND bring your four-legged fur baby too! Delicious pizza will be served, and no-host beverages will be on tap. EVERYONE is welcome!

The Auction Committee will be there too. If you bring a SILENT AUCTION ITEM, Co-Chair Nicole Donegan will buy you a beverage of your choice.

It's a WIN-WIN for everyone!

REVIEW

The room had a cozy feel as we moved from the south end of the Convention Center to the north end for this week's meeting to hear from some of the most successful coaches in our Valley, Phil English, Eli Juarez, and Katie Hinckley. The best description for the day was it was a conversation with coaches. With Bob Romero serving as the perfect facilitator. They began by sharing the foundational elements or principles that it takes to build a successful program - be a good listener and learner, be willing to adjust, communicate, figure out what type of culture you want, and let kids see that it's important to you and them. How do they adapt as a coach and to the ways kids have changed? By showing that they truly care about them and appreciate them in whatever their role; realizing that the basic needs remain the same and that athletics are an extension of learning; and figuring out how to deal with them in a different manner – leaning on team dynamics versus individual dynamics.

Individually Eli shared what it was like to coach Superbowl Champion Cooper Kupp. He was all business, all the time. For four years he came, he practiced hard, and put in extra effort before or afterwards. He had a different mindset than others; he knew what he wanted. Katie knew she wouldn't be able to coach forever once she became a wife and mom. She has deep respect for women who choose coaching as a profession. Her girls play every sport including volleyball; she loves coaching them as part of Team Yakima. Phil shared that cross country is just plain hard work. His annual camp is not about making his competitors and opponents better, it is about advocating for the sport.

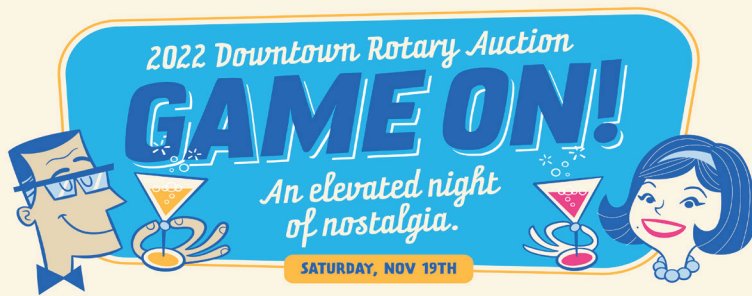
The last question was to share something that they most cherish. For Phil, it is seeing both boys and girls compete at the same time at Zaepfel Stadium. It is the only place in the entire state where girls and boys compete at the same time. For Katie, the wins are nice, but the relationships are what she misses the most. Her players still call to ask her for advice, invite them to events in their lives, and they have even coached with her. For Eli, he is hopeful that he's been a positive influence in their lives and had an impact academically, socially, and athletically. It was a great program. We are deeply appreciative of the investment they have made and continue to make on young people in our community.

What else happened? The meeting started with the recording of a Happy Birthday video to Past President Dick Marble who turns 100 on October 9th. Tim Carlson followed with a call for us to be good coaches in all aspects of our lives. President Rick welcomed

our guests and presented blue badges to Mary McFadden, Erika Rutter, and Anthony Peterson. Nicole Donegan introduced our newest member, Sheri-Lou Creson. Sheri hails from Canada, born in Vancouver, British Columbia and growing up in the Seattle area. She's had an exciting 30-year professional career working in creative departments for some of Seattle's best-known brands (Nordstrom, REI, Starbucks, Russell Investments). She also had unique jobs that included working on a construction crew for a week before breaking her wrist. She and her husband had long dreamed of retiring to Yakima. With the ability to work remotely during Covid they made the move and bought their dream farmhouse. She loves to garden and hike. She always has a positive attitude and is excited to be a part of Yakima Rotary. We are equally excited to have her as a member!

Billy Bacon invited everyone to attend Mutts and Mingles coming on Thursday, October 13th at the Kiln. Bring a prospective new member and your dog with you. Raul Martinez continued our recognition of National Hispanic Heritage Month. His story is like many others that starts with those before him who came from thousands of miles away to create a foundation that has allowed him to succeed. Both of Raul's parents were from Mexico. His mother was born in Guerrero; his dad was born there as well but moved and grew up in Morelos, the next state over. With five brothers and two sisters, his dad's job was to work. He served in the Mexican military where it was his job to destroy weed crops. He went on to also serve as a police officer in Mexico City. He came to the U.S. and worked for 30 years at the same company, Twin City Foods in Ellensburg driving back and forth every day. He taught himself how to renovate homes, and once dug out a foundation by hand. He instilled in Raul that you do things through community by helping others. He taught him hard work, sacrifice and dedication to things greater than himself. His parents achieved so much to get him to a place of privilege; it is up to him and the next generation to use their education to reach a new potential. He father taught him if you see something, get it done. Just days ago, a new rapid rectangular flashing beacon was installed for children to safely cross Fair Avenue and Race Street. Raul saw a need, did the research, and was able to make it happen after contacting the Yakima Health Department.

Rotary business ended with sergeant-at-arms. In full referee gear, Dana Dwinell hit it out of the park collecting cash and IOUs for Yakima Rotary Charities.



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