



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2026
YAKIMA CONVENTION & EVENT CENTER

HANNAH WILSON & DIANE PATTERSON
YAKIMA FREE CLINIC

Create
Lasting
Impact

The Yakima Free Clinic was founded in 2023 to provide free, holistic healthcare to the medically underserved of rural Central Washington while giving experience and training to students; and to do this work not-for-profit, but exclusively for humanitarian, educational, and public service purposes.

The opening of the Clinic was the fulfillment of a longtime dream of Hannah Wilson, a local physician assistant who co-founded the clinic and serves as its executive director. With an estimated 30,000 people in Yakima County without health insurance, the need for quality care is in high demand. Hannah Wilson and Diane Patterson, who also serves Board Chair, will describe the community needs, progress, collaborative relationships, and volunteers that keep the Clinic running.



Hannah Wilson, PA-C is the Board Chair, acting Executive Director and a Founding Member of Yakima Free Clinic. Originally from Alabama, she received her Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies from the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB). Hannah has been a Physician Assistant for 10 years and has spent her professional career caring for the underserved communities of the Yakima Valley. She has run medical clinics at fruit processing facilities locally providing occupational health, urgent care, and primary care. She has more than 7 years of experience at a local free clinic where she also led the team as the Clinic Director for 3 years.

In addition to running the clinic and serving as the primary care provider, she also developed a Street Medicine Program and a Respite Care Program. Hannah has served as a board member of the Washington Healthcare Access Alliance and currently serves as Treasurer for Central Washington Mountain Rescue. When not caring for the medically underserved of our valley or rescuing folks in the mountains, you can find her volunteering for our local Repair Cafe and hiking with her husband, Adam, and two dogs.



Diane Patterson grew up in Yakima and worked as a nurse, nurse leader and executive for more than 30 years. She held many senior leadership roles with Memorial Hospital including Children's Village Director, Vice President of Clinical Services and Operations and Sr. Vice President/Chief Operating Officer/Chief Nurse Officer for Virginia Mason Memorial Hospital. She is a champion of nurses and healthcare leaders and brings her passion to the organization and community.

FOR THURSDAY'S MEETING

Greeters – Chris Gilmer, Rebecca Pennell
Inspiration – Kurt Labberton
Sergeant-at-Arms – Amy Maib
Program – Sharon Miracle
Attendance – Matt Crow

FUTURE PROGRAMS

October 1st – Gerardo Ruelas, Costco
October 8th – Yakima Rotary Vocational Scholarship Awards
October 15th – J.R. Martinez, National Hispanic Heritage Month
October 22nd – Tom Davis, John I Haas Sensory Panel

PROPOSED NEW MEMBERS

Unless written objection is received by the Board of Directors by Friday, September 25, 2026, the following candidates will be elected to membership:

Madeleine Pelson

COO
Traditional Designs Inc.
Classification: Building Design
Proposed by: Andi Hochleutner
Endorsed by: Connie Falon

Lester Cohen

Retired
Classification: Change Management
Proposed by: Mike Norton
Endorsed by: Mike Latimer

ROTARY OPERATION HARVEST – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10th

Sign-ups for Operation Harvest have begun. It takes hundreds of volunteers to make Rotary Operation Harvest work. There is a way for everyone to help with both before and day of the event volunteer opportunities that include:

- 1. Drop off bags **BEFORE** the event, between October 2nd and 8th. 80 + volunteers needed. Routes to be assigned.
- 2. Collect food on the **DAY OF** on Saturday October 10th, between 10am and 1pm. Routes take approximately 2 hours to complete. 80+ volunteers needed.
- 3. Work at collection site on the **DAY OF** on Saturday, October 10th, between 11:45am and 2pm. May involve unloading, sorting food, or picking up food from a route that may have been missed.
- 4. Staple flyers on bags **BEFORE** the event. Needs to be done by September 25th.
- 5. **DONATE** to Operation Harvest, indicate amount to be billed to your Rotary account or use QR code to donate.



Yard signs will be available at Rotary this week. The goal is 100% participation! There are 2 QR codes – one to sign-up on-line and one to make a cash donation.

Sign Up to Volunteer Here!



Donate to Operation Harvest Here!



ROTARY PICNIC – SEPTEMBER 17th





THANK YOU TO OUR ROTARY AUCTION SPONSORS!

Platinum

GILBERT
ORCHARDS
ESTD 1897

Gold

LEGENDS
CASINO • HOTEL



Silver

 **Heritage University**

Morgan Stanley



Bronze



Quinn & Aaron Dalan



TERRIL, LEWIS & WILKE
INSURANCE, INC.