

December 28, 2017 Meeting at Noon on Thursdays at the Red Lion Hotel Volume LXVII - No. 26

### MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Notice to Appleseed readers. It is the week for fond farewells. As announced by President Don at our Annual Meeting, this will be your final Appleseed in this format. As this version disappears, a new one will rise from the ashes; it will be digital, except for those who wish to receive a hard copy (initially only those without email). Your input will be appreciated as we struggle through a new startup, which may be rough at first. The club thanks John McDarment for all of his dedication and hard work over the last many years to ensure that this newsletter was published each week without fail.

# "Youth Exchange-RYE" with Olivia Greenwood-Jack (Liv) and Andy Petro

It will be a sad day for Wenatchee Rotary as we hear Liv's farewell remarks as she prepares to depart to her home in Australia. It has been a great pleasure having her for the last year.

The photo here was taken in the spring as she gave her excellent "classification" talk.







Our program is managed by committee chair Andy Petro. Student Exchange takes a high school student from here and sends them to another country for up to a year. At the same time, a student from another country is brought here. The end goal of the program is to promote peace, understanding and friendship around the world. When you get to know and understand other people, you make them your friends. Many claim that this is the very best of all the Rotary programs.

### December is Rotary Disease Prevention & Teatment Month

### THINK ABOUT IT!

Health is of more concern as we get older. But it might help to keep things in perspective, like these quotes from some well-known humorists:

Bob Hope - "I'm so old, they cancelled my blood type."

George Burns - "I'm so old when I order a 3-minute egg, they ask for money up front.

When I was a boy, the dead sea was only sick."

Phyllis Diller - "I'm so old, my back goes out more than I do."





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### The Week in Review -

President Don Myers presided. Club Elections were conducted by past-president Jim Russell; see results page 3. There were no nominations from the floor.

New member Tracy Hazen of Confluence Health was inducted. An excellent charge was delivered by PP Bill Murray to Tracy and also to Joel Lhamon. Tracy comes to us from Laguna Beach, CA by way of Alaska.

A short YouTube video was shown of Wenatchee North member Dominic Bonny delivering his essay on Rotary which was published in the January Rotarian, page 41. Susan Albert announced that the Interact-Habitat build would begin in March, and the book collection would be in February.

President Don reviewed some important results of the recent Board retreat; we are not broken, but we can do better. In coming months our focus will be on leadership and having compelling programs, such as having the state governor speak. But wait, that is already happening in February, as arranged by Pete Van Well!

Our meetings will be scheduled with more opportunities for flexibility. We may be changing our venue, as the Red Lion is making changes inconsistent with club needs, such as the desire to eliminate food catering.

In hopes of avoiding confusion, a coordinator is being sought to manage our schedule, to prevent steering this ship into an iceberg. One idea floated was to initiate system of text alerts.

The Appleseed newsletter (after 97 years) will go mostly digital. Former club secretary John McDarment will no longer be involved, but his dedicated efforts of the last many years are greatly appreciated. Our dues billing process will go mostly digital in the near future.

Don's Word-of-the-Week is "Apricity" – the quality of the sun's warmth. [ed note. Take Don's word for it, as his words are difficult to find in any dictionary] Photos by Carmen on first meeting of each month (or any time by request).

Haiti Clean Water Project Update from Jim Russell

Don Traczyk, our agent, activated the Sunspring Water Treatment System and provided construction that will protect the system and make it more usable for students and citizens. He provided the photos below.

Installed a pre-treatment water tank reservoir, ran plumbing to the school grounds and out into the public street.

- -Delivered parts for future maintenance in secured storeroom at Milot hospital.
- -Trained and paid Keslyn, our contract labor, and the school custodian as our backup, as they repaired the system and made it operational.
- -Built a security wall around the water tank and extended a concrete platform into the street to sell water in the future.
- -Brought project in under current budget, with remaining expenses close to available budget.
- -Remaining expenses: Paint brand name on street, install more chain and wire, faucets and trim a tree.
- -Project will serve water to the students at the school for which students will pay a low price for filling their own water bottles.
- -Future plans include selling water on the street and other organizations, establishing and scheduling maintenance, and developing a labor contract.





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### WE HAVE ELECTED A NEW SLATE OF CLUB OFFICERS!

Voting was very close, but winners were declared on the first ballot. Votes were counted by PP Jim Russell assisted by the Sargent-at-Arms team. Thanks to all of the members who agreed to be nominated.

President-elect nominee (2020-21): **Kory Kalahar** Board members (2018-21): **Claudia De Robles, Andy Petro, Gary Provo** 



Kory Kalahar



Claudia DeRobles



Andy Petro



Gary Provo

### END POLIO NOW

**GOAL \$4,000** 

2824

Our goal this Rotary year is \$4,000 through the cups and other fundraisers, or \$12,000 with the Gates Foundation 2-for-1 match; this amount results in 20,040 lives saved. Donations by club members on December 21 = \$59.74, thus bringing our total (since July 1) to \$2824 or \$8472 with the Gates match. This equates to 14,148 lives saved.

Additionally the amount donated by the public on World Polio Day was \$2675.

### WENATCHEE ROTARY CALENDAR

January 4th Meeting
Classification Talks
January 11th Meeting
The Museum - Sandy Cohen
January 18th Meeting
Law Enforcement - Police Chief Crown

January 25th Meeting
Club Awareness - President Don

February 9-11 Zone Event

**President's International Peace-Building Conference** 

Vancouver, BC May 17-19

District Conference - Prosser, WA

June 23-27

**Rotary International Convention - Toroto** 



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### Did you know that you can make up a meeting at the following places?

Wed. Noon East Wenatchee @ Shari's Restaurant Thurs. 7 am Wenatchee Sunrise @ Red Lion Tues. 7 am Lake Chelan @ Tsillian Cellars Tues. Noon Wed. Noon Thur. Noon Cashmere @ Cashmere Presbyterian Church Quincy @ Quincy Senior Center Leavenworth @ Kristall's Fri. 11:45 am

#### THE WENATCHEE ROTARY FOUNDATION

The mission of the Wenatchee Rotary Foundation is to improve educational opportunities for citizens living in the Greater Wenatchee area. Funding for the foundation is through immediate and deferred giving from current and past Wenatchee Rotary Club members.

Each club member in good standing is also a member of the Foundation.

Officers: Tom Ross, President: Jay Smith, Vice President; Heidi Myers, Treasurer; Bill Monnette, Secretary Board Members: Joe St. Jean, Ruth Esparza, Alice Meyer, Susan Albert, Dee Curcio, Pete VanWell (ex-offico)

## **Rotary Ambassadors**

### This week's greeters will be







DAVID OLSON PAUL PA

### This week's Cashiers will be







DAVE PAERK

Greeters & Cashiers, please try to arrive by 11:30 a.m. If you cannot be here please find your own replacement!

#### THE WENATCHEE APPLESEED

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NEXT BOARD MEETING THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2017

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