



Wenatchee AppleSeed

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Meeting at Noon on Thursdays at the Red Lion Hotel

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"Being A Rotarian" **with President Don Myers**

For the first meeting of his tenure, President Don will lead us in a discussion of what a Rotarian looks like. Our RI theme for the year is "Rotary: Making a Difference" – how will our club and we as individuals make a difference in our community? Don will also reveal his theme for the year (no big hints here, but hope you all like alliteration!) and how he'd like to see our club evolve and move forward. This will be an important meeting for all members of our club; please plan to attend and see how the new year will inspire you to make a deeper impact alongside other Rotarians and have some fun doing it! Don found this fascinating post on District 5060 Facebook (from Rotary Kenton-on-Sea) which captures his idea of being a Rotarian.



"A Rotarian is someone who, through their efforts:

- Digs wells from which they will never drink - Restores eyesight for those they will never see - Builds houses they will never live in - Vaccinates children they will never meet - Plants trees they will never sit under - Educates children they will never know - Feeds hungry people, regardless of color, race, or politics - Knows real happiness."

FINAL FIRESIDE OPPORTUNITY.

Four of the five planned "Firesides" have been successful and enjoyed by all who attended. If you have not yet attended one, there is one final opportunity: July 11 at the home of Mike Kintner. Contact Mike very soon if you plan to attend, mrkintner@nwi.net.

July Begins the 2017-18 Rotary Year under RI President Ian Riseley

THINK ABOUT IT! – History of the Rotary Year

Ever wonder why the Rotary year begins 1 July? The international convention initially played a key role in determining the start date of our fiscal and administrative year. Rotary's first fiscal year began the day after the first convention ended, on 18 August 1910. The 1911-12 FY began R with the first day of the 1911 convention on 21 August. At its August 1912 meeting, the Board of Directors ordered an audit of the International Association of Rotary Clubs' finances. The auditors recommended that the organization end its fiscal year on 30 June to give the secretary and treasurer time to prepare a financial statement for the convention and board, and determine the proper number of club delegates to the convention. Rotary continued to hold its annual conventions in July or August until 1917. Delegates to the 1916 event in Cincinnati, Ohio, USA, approved a resolution to hold future conventions in June, mainly because of the heat in cities where most of them occurred. The next one was held 17-21 June in Atlanta, Georgia.





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The Week in Review –

This end-of-year celebration was memorable and a departure from the “roast” format of the past, as outgoing president Jim Russell was greatly honored.

Highlights: The Red Lion buffet was excellent; an open wine bar was donated by Horan Estates. Tom McNair (PP 96-97) was masterful as M/C, standing in for the ailing Bill Murray (immediate PP and meeting planner) and deemed this meeting as a “peaceful transfer of power”. During lunch and fellowship time, Rotarian Dave Gellatly provided easy-listening piano music, as a continuous slide show depicted images of Jim in many personal and Rotary moments. Rotarian Garry Arseneault of Chelan PUD introduced honored guest Julio Cruz, famed Mariners second-baseman and presented him with a certificate proclaiming today as Julio Cruz Day in the county. Julio then presented Jim with a certificate of honor from the PUD and gave a brief but hilarious overview of his long baseball career. Guest Admin. DG Rob Tidd praised the achievements by the club and especially Jim in our record giving to the Rotary Foundation, especially PolioPlus and our Million Dollar Dinner led by Jim. Sue Rose (PP 2007-08) spoke movingly about the Rotary 2003 medical project in Bolivia that she and Jim worked on and showed some photo memories while sharing the amazing impact Jim had on the families they helped. Jim was then presented with his PP pin, beautiful award plaque, and a bound copy of the year’s “Appleseeds” from John McDarment. Jim gave a stirring farewell address (below) followed by a standing ovation and brief remarks from incoming president Don Myers.

Jim’s Farewell Address: “First, thank you to Sue Rose, Bill Murray, Rob Tidd, Tom McNair, the Chelan-PUD, Julio Cruz and everyone else who gave Karen and me such a memorable experience. Long ago I adopted my life theme to be Micah 6:8: He has shown you, O man, what is good; “and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with God?” It’s a question, an ask. And I believe God is listening to my answer. My answer is yes, it’s true. I support Rotary because our four-way test and Rotary’s six areas of focus build firm foundations for justice and kindness and a path to humility. In 2009 I was asked to run for president. I said yes, because I felt obligated. I lost to Brenda Abney. It hurt. Four years later Brenda was chair of the nominating committee and asked me to run again. I said yes, because I wanted to make some changes. I had an agenda. She didn’t nominate anyone else so I won. I’m thankful I won the second time instead of the first time. I was lucky, even blessed.

The District asked me to chair the MDD (south) for the 100th Anniversary of The Rotary Foundation and I said yes. I was lucky to be asked and blessed I could say yes. And I didn’t know how I was going to do that. Bill Murray and Pete Van Well emphasized that we should honor Ed Cadman, and I said yes. Then I learned this may be the last year someone experiences paralysis from a wild polio virus. I was lucky to be asked and blessed I could I say yes. And working with Pete gave us some ideas for the Tribute fund.

I wanted to use Club Runner so I asked dozens of people to be secretary until Frank Clifton said, “Yes, as long as you want to use Club Runner.” I was lucky, we were lucky and blessed when he said yes. As president I asked members and the Board what they wanted. To my surprise the Board led by Jill Leonard unanimously said they wanted an auction. Jill and Jay Smith were asked to co-chair it and they said yes. And they asked many of you who said yes. We were lucky and the whole community was blessed. So I de-emphasized raising money for The Rotary Foundation and asked 40-50 people to be sponsors. Most said yes.

Last week you saw how many people said yes when they were asked to serve, and there are many more who serve with a quiet yes.

For the Million Dollar Dinner--South we asked hundreds of people for \$10,000 and most said no, or not now, or said nothing, or just looked at me incredulously. A relative few said yes and still fewer gave even more. And we identified pledges and cash of over \$1 million in the south and over \$1.5 million in the District. We were lucky and blessed to be on that journey.

At Quincy one young mother with her child heard me ask for \$10,000 for Polio eradication. She thanked me, thanked Rotary for offering vaccinations around the world at a time when people are questioning vaccinations. She hugged her child, and began sobbing. Thank you, thank you, she said, tears streaming out of her eyes. She was also a nurse. She gave me a deep, heartfelt, memorable, blessed yes.

For my inevitable errors and transgressions, I asked for forgiveness. Thankfully, I feel people gave it to me. I visited many clubs to ask for their support. I appreciate our Club even more and saw some ideas we can use.

People and clubs said yes and then had to say no. They said no and then said yes. Another gift I got is learning to appreciate what each member, each Rotary Club, can give in our shifting points in time and places in space.

Finally, people said thank you for asking me. I thank you for asking me. Thank you, thank you. And I thank God for what I could give



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2017-18: ROTARY – MAKING A DIFFERENCE

In 2017-18, we'll answer the question "What is Rotary?" with RI President-elect Ian H.S. Riseley's theme, Rotary: Making a Difference. "Whether we're building a new playground or a new school, improving medical care or sanitation, training conflict mediators or midwives, we know that the work we do will change people's lives — in ways large and small — for the better."

WENATCHEE ROTARY CALENDAR

July 13 Meeting

Club Vision, Making a Difference - Don Myers

July 20th Meeting

Classification Talks - Stacy Spurlock

July 27th Meeting

PAC - Matt Cadman

August 3 Meeting Noon

DG Bill Jenkin Visit All Area Clubs Invited

Evening

Rotary All Club Potluck - Meet the District Governor
Sunrise Circle Park 6 to 8 pm



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

Wenatchee North	@ Town Toyota Center	Wed. Noon	East Wenatchee	@ Shari's Restaurant	Thurs. 7 am
Wenatchee Sunrise	@ Red Lion	Tues. 7 am	Lake Chelan	@ Tsillian Cellars	Tues. Noon
Cashmere	@ Cashmere Presbyterian Church	Wed. Noon	Quincy	@ Quincy Senior Center	Thur. Noon
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: Christina Davitt, President; Bill Monnette, Secretary, Heidi Myers, Treasurer
Board Members: Joe St. Jean, Ruth Esparza, Alice Meyer, Tom Ross, Susan Albert, Dee Curcio, Heidi Myers, Pete VanWell (ex-officio)

Rotary Ambassadors

This week's greeters will be



BETH STIPE



TERRY STULLER

This week's Cashiers will be



MARIAH THORNOCK



MARY TIMIRAS

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

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OF EACH MONTH IN THE RED LION CADMAN ROOM
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