



# Wenatchee AppleSeed

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Meeting at Noon on Thursdays at the Red Lion Hotel

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## **"Presidential Inauguration"**

**With Jim Russell**

Jesus Hernandez. I want to honor Jesus as past president for Wenatchee Rotary particularly because of his belief about service and his commitment to live up to that belief. We have heard a lot of praise for Jesus, but I want to emphasize what I've heard him say time and time again: "This is your community, take responsibility for it." He's lived it as servant in the Wenatchee Valley, in Washington and Wenatchee Rotary as he brought in new members, "This is your community, take responsibility for it." He is an inspiration for me and for all of us.

Bill Murray. I want to honor Bill because he served as Rotary President under the threat of the big C cancer. Recently he was declared cancer free after ten years. But you may not know his struggle included ordinary and extraordinary chemotherapy and radiation treatment that failed, making his desperate condition acceptable to be the second person in Washington to undergo immunotherapy. While he has thrived, accepting the presidency was a threat to his life. The amount of chemo and radiation treatment he received left potentially lethal residues that could create more cancers, especially if agitated by stress and exhaustion. Courageously accepted the presidency and I heard him say recently, "I didn't know if I had the strength, and his first goal was to survive." He is heroic and he is unquestionably a magnificent gift to the Wenatchee Rotary Club, to the community and to the world.

Our club is a member of Rotary International and at the Rotary convention in Seoul I was thrilled to watch the parade of 182 flags representing all but a nine of the 191 nations in the United Nations Charter. Each of those flags indicated that individuals lived every day with local Rotarians bound to the pledge to provide service above self, first in their local communities and second to the whole world. I've always been impressed with Olympians who strive to perform for a few weeks every 4 years. Think of Rotarians as individuals on an international team every day, every year serving local communities in 182 nations. I was profoundly honored to be representing you as a Rotarian.

At a training I learned you and I as Rotarians belong to the Wenatchee Rotary Club. We don't belong to Rotary International. Our club belongs to Rotary International. The District and Rotary International can't tell our Club what to do or set goals. The District and RI provide the organizational structure and resources like the Rotary Foundation but we are the individuals who make it happen.

And as individuals we are united with other Rotarians around the world. In Seoul I was on the elevator when a man from Nigeria wearing his native robe rushed onto the elevator pulling his suitcase and leaned against the back wall. He'd traveled across two continents. I smiled and welcomed him as a fellow Rotarian. He pushed himself off the wall and wrapped his arms around me. That Rotarian and his club have undoubtedly contributed to the Rotary Foundation and because their donations were united with our donations to generate more income, he and his club contributed to our grant for the Women's Resource Center.

Rotary International and the Rotary Foundation make us one of the most effective and frugal service clubs serving the most dismal regions on this planet. The Rotary Foundation is ranked fifth among all similar international foundations based on expenses and service. Our Wenatchee Rotary Foundation is the envy of many other clubs in our District. Wenatchee Rotary began in 1921 and thrived over the past year, including growing membership.

This coming year I ask you to make two commitments to Wenatchee Rotary. The first commitment is exemplified by Jesus, "This is your club, take responsibility for it." The second commitment is exemplified by Bill Murray: "Be a gift to this Wenatchee Rotary Club."

If each of us keeps those commitments we will fulfill the Presidential theme this year, Rotary Serving Humanity. We will be a better club, a bigger club and a bolder club. Wenatchee Rotary can be better, bigger and bolder.

I am honored to be your president

## **July is Rotary Community Service Month**

### ***Did you know?***

There are 1,235,100 Rotarians in 35,247 clubs around the world. There are 201,342 Rotaract members in 8,754 clubs and 441,278 Interact members in 19,186 clubs. We also have 199,732 RCCS members in 8,684 Corps. That is 2,000,000 Rotarians serving Humanity and making our world a better place for all of us.





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## The Week in Review –

This past week saw us at the Pybus Event Center where we held a wake for our past president Bill Murray and inducted Jim Russell as our president for the 2016-17 Rotary year. Approximately 70 people enjoyed the music of Eden Moody while they enjoyed some fellowship prior to the dinner. The theme of the evening was Brazilian in focus and trying to show Bill what he missed at the RI Convention. It seems all he could remember was that first night in Sao Paulo. The highlight of his year as president was to honor the Buckeyes. And he did do that!



Bill was then officially a past president. Of course that left us momentarily without a president, But fortunately we had Jim Russell waiting to take charge.



Get ready for a fun filled year of Serving Humanity as directed by our new president. Thank you Bill for your service and congratulations Jim on your direction.

## WENATCHEE ROTARY CALENDAR

July 14 Meeting

WHS State Champion Soccer Team

Coach Dennis Tronson

July 21 Meeting

WHS Boy's Baseball Team

Coach Jeff Zehnder

July 28 Meeting

Pangborn Update

Trent Moyers, Airport Manager

August 4 Meeting

District Governor, Vern Nielsen Visit

January 28 2017

Building Communities Auction 2017

April 27 -30, 2017

District Conference, Kelowna, B.C.

June 10 - 14, 2017

Rotary International Convention, Atlanta, Georgia



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## ANOTHER AUCTION FELLOWSHIP

This Fourth of July weekend so another auction fellowship take place at the new home of Al & Ann Bridges on Sunrise Circle. Al & Ann donated a New England Clam Feed to the auction and it was purchased by Nate Bishop. I don't think Nate had any idea what he was getting but Al had 10 live lobsters shipped in from Maine the day before the dinner along with 2 fresh blueberry pies. Al, his wife Ann and their helper Debra prepared a feast on their deck overlooking the Columbia River. From reports that I got it was a huge success.



Gives new meaning to Rotary  
 Serving Humanity.

What a sacrifice!  
 How could it get any better  
 than enjoying each others  
 fellowship while feasting on  
 fresh Maine Lobster.



## A FAMILY TRIBUTE TO JIM

The Wenatchee Rotary's web site says its guiding principle is Service. Indeed, for 95 years the Wenatchee Rotary has served this beautiful community and its residents, and it has also served communities throughout the world, especially communities and individuals in need. This donation is with great appreciation for the service the Wenatchee Rotary has provided, and to help continue its mission.

This donation is also made with great appreciation and in honor of a specific member of the Wenatchee Rotary. Someone who has spent a lifetime actively promoting education, health, well-being and dignity for all, especially those less fortunate. Someone who has been, for our lifetimes, a quiet and steadfast role model to our family and the communities we have lived. A person who continues to inspire us through his work, his generous community service and his unyielding love and passion to help others live their best life. The Wenatchee Rotary and the Wenatchee community are very fortunate to have this man's leadership, vision, compassion and support in the coming years. We are so very proud and blessed to present this donation in honor of our father, and your new President, Jim Russell. Happy Birthday Dad! Thank you so much for all you do for our family, Rotary, your community, communities throughout the world and those in need.

With much love and respect, your proud children-Lynne, Keith and Pam, their spouses Sheri and Eduardo, and your grandchildren Henrik, Simon, Alena, Christoph and Maysee.

Jim would like us to recognize their gift of \$500 be split equally between the Rotary International Foundation and the Wenatchee Rotary Foundation in the name of the children and spouses of the Karen and Jim Russell family, Sheri and Keith Russell, Lynne Russell and Pamela and Eduardo Bejerano.



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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.

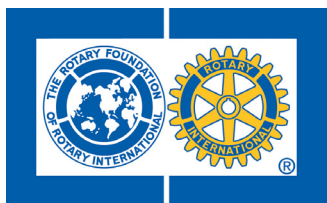
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## Rotary Ambassadors

*This week's greeters will be*



**CARMEN BOSSENBROCK**



**AL BRIDGES**

## This week's Cashiers will be



**GEORGE BUCKNER**



**BOB BUGERT**

*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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