



# Wenatchee AppleSeed

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Meeting at Noon on Thursdays at the Red Lion Hotel

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## **"ALL SERVICE CLUB LUNCHEON"**

**with Daniel Bernardo**

**Meeting at the Wenatchee Convention Center, Wednesday Noon**



Be sure to get your tickets for this annual Apple Blossom Festival program. The luncheon will be on Wednesday, May 3rd and will take the place of our regularly scheduled meeting. Our club is the host club this year and Jim Russell will be the MC. Tickets are \$25 and may be purchased at the Apple Blossom Festival office on Chelan Ave. This years speaker will be Daniel Bernardo-Provost & Executive Vice President of WSU. Always fun a fun event, so plan to attend and support Jim and Wenatchee Rotary with a good showing.

The Festival was born in 1919, the brainchild of Mrs. E. Wagner, wife of the district's first apple shipper and a native of New Zealand. She enjoyed the festivals of her childhood so much that she suggested beginning a similar festival in the Wenatchee Valley. The Ladies Musical Club produced the first festival in 1920, and the first Apple Blossom Festival Queen was Fern Prowell who reigned over the festivities, then called "Blossom Days." The one-day event in Memorial Park involved songs, speeches, Maypoles, and baseball.

The event drew large delegations of business and community leaders from throughout Seattle, Spokane, and North Central Washington, and its continuance was assured. In 1921 the Commercial Club, forerunner of the Chamber of Commerce, took over sponsorship of the celebration. The first parade was held that spring. From this birth, our celebration carries the distinction of being the first Apple Blossom Festival in the country, and the oldest major festival in Washington. Only Sequim Irrigation Days in Western Washington is older than our Apple Blossom Festival.

Support our Festival and enjoy all the activities going on over the next couple of weeks!

## **May is Rotary Youth Service Month**

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## The Week in Review –

**PRESIDING OFFICER AND REMARKS:** With the “big boys” out of town including President Jim Russell, President Nominee Pete Van Well opened the meeting promising to be good while all the adults were gone to the district conference. Retired Alcoans Jack Speer and Ralph Womack were introduced as guests.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1) Cancun/Vegas. The person who purchased the trip at the auction has a family emergency and needs the money she paid for the trip. The trip was valued at \$750.00. We could not get a starting bid at that price. Bill Murray asked if we could postpone an attempt to resell the trip or try to sell it at the All Service Club Luncheon. Trip is good until 2019.

2) Tickets are \$25.00 for the All Service Club Luncheon, Wednesday, May 3, at noon in the Grand Ballroom at the Convention Center. We are hosting but have sold only 23 tickets. Purchase tickets online or at the Apple Blossom Festival Office (if closed go to the info booth in Memorial park). See Frank Clifton and Brian Campbell for pre-purchased tickets.

3) Firesides will be held this summer as we move into Don Myers' term. The theme will be to engage Rotary. Susan Albert and Marcia Henkle, who are co-hosting an upcoming fireside, were seated at the head table.

4) President Jim is working on a Spanish-speaking satellite club. Those interested are welcome to join the architects of this group Wednesday nights at Paradise Restaurant on Wenatchee Ave.

5) Still time to head up this weekend for District Conference.

6) Dee needs volunteers to house 10 foreign exchange students on Friday, May 5. Kory Kalahar volunteered to take five. Mike Kintner volunteered to take two. Bob Bugert volunteered to take two.

7) Jim McDonald advertised the Corvette Show by a Damn Site next week as part of the Apple Blossom Festival.

8) Still selling tickets for the May 18 Rocky Reach celebration. Contact Ford Barrett, Al Bridges or Doug Button.

9) Carmen has her camera and available to take pictures.

### PROGRAM:

Leaving Alcoa with an option to restart in the future and bring back 300-400 jobs to the community was the unanimous choice for those listening to Chelan County Director of External Affairs Tracy Yount outline proposed changes to the aluminum producer's power contract.

The plant has been “curtailed,” not shut down, since Dec. 2015. Alcoa has a reservation charge like a down payment on a house. As they operate and use power, the amount remaining on the account gets smaller. If the plant remains in limbo until June, the company would owe the remaining amount - \$67 million.

“Things are improving, but not to the point where they can flip the switch and open pot lines,” Yount explained. “They need more time.”

That leaves the PUD with two options: either hold the company to the lump sum payment in June, which would “greatly reduce the likelihood of restart – ever,” or allow the company to make a \$7.3 million payment in June to defer the contract for one year, preserving the opportunity to restart when conditions allow.

By a show of hands, every Rotarian agreed the second option would be the best. Alcoa, which consumes about 26 percent of the region's power, offers many “trickle down benefits” to the community, Yount said. “The reason we're doing this is to preserve the opportunity to benefit the community through having jobs come back.”

Rotarians and the public are invited to attend the final decision-making meeting Monday, May 1, at 10 a.m. at the Chelan County PUD offices on North Wenatchee Avenue.

In another note, new two-way power usage meters may be available soon to customers in June. Although the PUD is researching concerns regarding data security, the advanced meters would be provided to customers at no cost. The readers would read energy use on an hourly basis and send information to the PUD.

*Respectfully submitted by Michelle Shermer with announcement notes from Pete Van Well.*



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## ROSTER TIME

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Please send any new information to John McDarment at: [johnc@ridgelinegraphics.com](mailto:johnc@ridgelinegraphics.com) or give to Frank Clifton our club secretary.



The yearlong celebration of The Rotary Foundation and 100 years of Doing Good in the World culminates at the Atlanta convention. The general sessions and breakout sessions offer countless ways to help you get the most from your Rotary membership and make your club stronger. In the House of Friendship, you'll find new ideas, learn best practices, and share project successes — it's where the Rotary world comes together!

*Register Now for a great time in Atlanta.*

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR A FUN EVENT!

**Best Dinner by a Dam-Site**  
**May 18th Rocky Reach Dam**  
**Sponsors – Mama Ds, Stemilt Creek Winery,**  
**Chelan PUD, the 3Bs and Mario**  
**Dinner, Tours, Rotary Camaraderie**  
**South End Project - \$50**

Tickets can be purchased online at [wenatcheerotary.org](http://wenatcheerotary.org). All funds raised for this event will contribute to the auction success.

## WENATCHEE ROTARY CALENDAR

**May 11th Meeting @ Museum**  
**Youth Exchange - Andy Petro**

**May 18th Meeting**  
**Leadership Wenatchee - Jerryilea Crawford**

**May 25th Meeting**  
**Club Assembly - Jim Russell**

**June 1st Meeting**  
**Classification Talks - Reed/DeMarco**

**June 10 - 14, 2017**  
**Rotary International Convention, Atlanta, Georgia**



Goal  
 15,000

LIVES  
 SAVED  
 14,550

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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			

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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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