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- Charter 7390 District 5080 Club ID#262

## January Speaker Schedule

22nd – Ben Majetich, West Richland Police Chief 29th – Richland Rotary Beach @ 4:00 p.m.

### **Preliminaries**

President Bob Tibbatts called the meeting to order. Cynthia Vaughn led us in singing the 'Put on a Happy Face', a song made famous in 1958's Bye Bye Birdie. Ken Williams led us in the pledge. Dave Larkin gave the invocation.

## Visiting Guests and Rotarians

We had no visiting Rotarians today. Shaun Gordon, from Banner Bank, was the guest of President Bob Tibbatts. Shirley Larson was the guest of her husband Bob Larson. Mara Jackson was the guest of Jan Jackson. Shirley and Mara were attending today to keep today's speakers, their husbands, honest during their fish tales brought to us directly from Alaska.

#### **Announcements**

C. Mark Smith's article regarding 30 years of the Mid-Columbia Duck Race has been published in The Rotarian. The title of the article ended-up being 'Duck Soup'.

Cynthia Vaughn announced that C. Mark Smith is this week's Rotarian of the Week.

Jan Griffin brought printed copies of the budget details that were discussed last week. They were available in the back of the room.



Bob Tibbatts and Tim Lewis announced that a 1-day Rotary

Leadership Institute will be held at the Marcus

## PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Judy Addis (3S)(B) Steve Arneson (1R) Jeremy Asmus (28) Bob Best (2S)(B) Tom Bock (1R)(B) Gordon Bopp (1S) Blaine Carr (6S) Thomas A. Cowan (4S)(B) Bob De Lorenzo (D)(B) Jeanne Dillner (2S) Barbara French (D) Julie Funfar Linda Gilmore (28) Jan Griffin (1S) Pat Haggerty Diahann Howard Jan Jackson (28) Larry D. Jecha Darrel Johnsen (3S)

Stan Jones Roy Keck Scott Keller Phillip Koech Dave Larkin (D) Pamela Larsen (4S)(B) Bob D. Larson (4S)(B) Phil Lemley (2S) Tim Lewis (3S) Larry Lowry (3S)(B) Jerry J. McGuire (2S)(B) Kathy Miller (5S) Greg Oberg (4S) (B) Thomas M. O'Brien (2S) (B) Benefactor Jon M. Putz (6S) Cindy Reents (1S) Dick Richter (2S)

Robert Rivera

Gary Scofield (4S)(B)

Anjan K. Sen (1S)
Chris Senske (1S)
Rick Schulte
Bill R. Siefken (1R)
Mike Sinclair
Mark Smith (6S)(B)
Bob Tibbatts (2S)
Cynthia Vaughn
Sam R. Volpentest (2R)(B)
Tom Watkins (D)(B)
Ken Williams (6S)
Hal Williamson (4MD)(B))

(B) Benefactor (D) Diamond PHF (DD) Dbl. Diamond PHF (R) Ruby (#R) Multiple Ruby (S) Sapphire (MD) Major Donor

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Whitman in Walla Walla on February 16, 2019. All three stages of the leadership program will be presented. The Club will cover the cost for members to attend this Institute. Get in touch with Bob or Tim if you are interested. Additional information regarding Part 1 of the Rotary Leadership Institute can be found here: https://district5080.org/event/r-l-i----part-1-section-1

A reminder from your author - The 2019 Joint District Conference of Districts 5080 and 5030 will be held in Spokane from May 16 to May 19, 2019. For more information please visit https://www.cometogether2019.com. This conference will include Bill Gates as a speaker as well as a golf tournament.

### 50/50

Ticket number 770 was pulled by Diahann Howard. This was Dick Richter's number, but he didn't manage to pull the winning chip. He did pull ticket number 752 which led to Steve Arneson winning \$10 (a sum that he would soon part with – see below…).

## Judge Jeanne Dillner

The Honorable Judge Jeanne Dillner quickly found Steve Arneson guilty of having won today's 50/50. This matter was cleared-up by Steve making a donation to the Club of \$10.

Chris Smith announced that he is not leaving the country any time soon, but that he did go to Florida on January 04 although neither he nor his wife could remember exactly why his wife didn't go with him. While there he met with Framatome (http://www.framatome.com) which operates the Nuclear Parts Center (NPC) out of Lynchburg, VA. They will be stocking and distributing the radioactive-handling tools manufactured by Intellegration (http://www.intellegrationllc.com/). Well done!



Jan Jackson announced that he and Mara will celebrate their 49th wedding anniversary at the end of this month. Ken Williams announced that the work on his new building is moving right along. Pouring cement inside the building is making it look more like a building than ever before.

Julie Funfar announced that The Richland Players will be putting on a performance of 'Butterflies Are Free'. Remaining show dates are at 8 PM on January 18, 19, 25 and 26. For more information go to https://www.richlandplayers.org/showsandevents.

Cynthia Vaughn reported that Magnolia Music Studio has just hired a new guitarist. He will be starting soon. Hearing this, Greg Oberg mentioned that the Rotary Club is a great place to network and that had he known Cynthia was looking for a guitarist perhaps an introduction to Brian May could have been instigated. It is unclear to this author if Greg's Rotary network extends to that particular astrophysicist and erstwhile lead guitarist of Queen or, even if it does, if Dr. May is actually looking for a job in Richland. Regardless, Greg is encouraged to invite him to visit the club at any convenient time to him and possibly encourage him to lead the initial song of the meeting.

Gary Scofield went on vacation in Maui with his grandsons, aged 11 and 14, who really enjoyed their SCUBA lessons.

Diahann Howard announced that the Tri-Citian of the Year Award will be held on Thursday, May 2nd, 2019. Save the date. She also announced an upcoming event at the TRAC in Pasco that will be held on March 5th, 2019.

Pam Larsen announced the upcoming celebration of the 75th anniversary The Manhattan Project. A number of events will be held in the Tri-Cities including a mess-hall dinner in Richland on Saturday, September 14, 2019, a vintage plane fly-over and a fashion show. For more information visit http://hanford75.hanfordhistory.com/#.

C. Mark Smith, in a self-identified shameless act of self-promotion, announced that he is one chapter away from finishing his new book. DeWayne Halstad thanked the club for their participation in the Salvation Army's bell-ringing campaign in December. \$83,000 was raised in Richland during this past holiday season.

## Program: Bob and Jan's Fantastic Fishing Adventure

Have you ever wondered what Bob Larson would look like packing a 44 Magnum? Or what would drive Jan Jackson to be knee-deep in a river with a pump-action shotgun holstered on his back for quick access? For some – unaware that these two gentlemen are avid sportsmen – one might guess that these scenarios would only occur during a zombie-apocalypse or during the unlikely

# **Richland Rotary Members**

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Fred Brink (6/18) Tim Lewis (10/03)
Blaine Carr (12/09) Eric Livesay (2/18)
David Chevey-Reynaud (4/17) Patrick McBurney (6/09)
Travis Clifton (10/16) Jerry McGuire (3/95)
Christian Diamond (3/18) Chris Meiers (12/15)
Jeanne Dillner (8/01) Kathy Miller (6/12)
Richard Evans (11/18) lan Napier (11/08)

Kristy Fargher (7/18)
Bob Ferguson (3/18)
Barbara French (11/98)
Julie Funfar (7/13)
Linda Gilmore (4/12)
Jan Griffin (9/00)
Linda Gustafson (3/08)
Al Haggerty (4/12)
Patricia Haggerty (4/12)
Dewayne Halstad (8/16)
Rebecca Hanson (3/18)
Pat Hollick (8/10)

Diahann Howard (4/08)
Tom Huntington (5/16)
Jan Jackson (6/00)
Larry Jecha (8/97)
Darrel Johnsen (8/97)
Stan Jones (10/07)
Roy Keck (10/04)
Scott Keller (7/02)

Danielle Kleist (3/17)
Phillip Koech (8/13)
Dave Larkin (4/04)
Pam Larsen (2/95)
Bob Larson (6/90)
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Dick Richter (6/08)
Robert Rivera (7/09)
George Sanders (8/18)
Rick Schulte (6/14)
Gary Scofield (2/75)
Anjan Sen (11/96)
Chris Senske (1/80)
Bill Siefken (4/87)
Mike Sinclair (1/11)

Chris Smith (8/10)

Mark Smith (3/01)

Bob Tibbatts (6/03)

Sam Volpentest (1/95)

Tom Watkins (9/11)

Greg Tripp (6/11) Cynthia Vaughn (12/14

Rebecca Thornton (9/18)

Ken Williams (12/00) Hal Williamson (4/88) Mike Winegardner (11/09) Jacqui Wright (12/13) Joan Wright (3/18) Honorary Members Bob DeLorenzo, General James Mattis & Tom Cowan

Current Members: 73



ground-invasion of Canada by Washington state. However, once you realize that these photos were taken on the Situk river and were accompanied by other outstanding photos of sockeye salmon, fly-fishing rods, moose that seemed to sneakup into photos and Bluejay's eating sausages, another possibility emerges.

A great many of us will never visit Yakutat, Alaska. However, today, through the photos and stories brought back by the Club's own Bob and Jan, it was as though we were there in-person. In September of 2018, Bob and Jan traveled to Yakutat - located in the Southern part of the state on the Gulf of Alaska between Anchorage



and Juneau – in preparation for a fishing trip...that led to no fish being brought home! The fantastic photos that they shared clearly showed them holding fish. The stories that they shared clearly involved fish (and maybe a beer or two). How can we, their audience, reconcile these photos (even with Jan's Photoshop abilities) with the complete absence of fish on our lunch plates today? The answer - Yoke's!

The point of this adventure was to appreciate the beauty of nature through the delicate dance of fly fishing, not to return home with any fish whatsoever. We were advised by these adventurers that if you'd like fish that's just as good as what they caught there - without the shipping fees that they would have incurred – go to Yoke's! Don't believe them? Perhaps a trip to Yakutat is in your future.

They took a bush plane – a Cessna 182 – to the grass landing strip near their 12 ft x 20 ft cabin. They would be the sole residents of this cabin during their 5 days of fishing. They thought that

they'd brought everything that they needed. However, poor planning (or clever planning?) led to the water running out on Day 4. The water gone, the only way to survive was the back-up plan - beer. They did what they had to do and we were glad for it as they survived to tell their tale.

Although they were the sole residents of the cabin, they shared the neighborhood with a constant companion – bears. Indication of the large Grizzly bears that lived in the area were all around them. From the bear scat (yes they verified that bears do in fact do that in the woods...) to the trees that were scratched with massive paws, from the still-bloody salmon heads to the still-wet footprints, indications were all around them. Perhaps not realizing it was their final day, a bear came by to say "hello" and took its time dawdling between their cabin - from which they took pictures - and the grass airstrip where their baggage was waiting for the plane to take them home.

# ATTENDANCE, A ROTARY COMMITMENT **Meeting Dates of Local Clubs**

Richland Riverside..... Monday, Noon

Anthony's Columbia Pt Richland

Richland.....Tuesday, Noon:

Richland Red Lion

Pasco/Kennewick......Wednesday, Noon:

Clover Island Inn

Kennewick

Columbia Valley Daybreak..Thursday, 7 am:

Tri-Tech Skills Ctr.

Kennewick

Columbia Center.....Thursday, Noon:

Bingo Boulevard

Kennewick

Tri-Cities Sunrise.....Friday, 7 am:

Red Lion Pasco

As the bear sniffed around the grill where Bob and Jan had cooked their pork chops and T-bone steaks during their stay, one has to wonder if the bear thought to itself "I see no evidence that these guys caught any fish. Are they concerned about shipping fees? Didn't these guys realize that there's a great river for fly fishing nearby...".

An outstanding presentation with great photographs. Thanks, gentlemen!

## **Final Reminders**

Be sure to mark your calendars for a group photo at 4 PM on January 29th at the Richland Rotary Beach in Richland. It's at the end of Lee Blvd at the turn-a-round. Afterwards we will have a Fellowship gathering at the Atomic Brew Pub.



