



**RICHLAND**

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# **ROTARY REACTOR**

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• Web Site: [www.richlandrotaryclub.org](http://www.richlandrotaryclub.org)

• PO Box 37 • Richland, WA 99352

• Meetings every Tuesday at 12:10 p.m.

Red Lion Hotel (Hanford House)

• Charter 7390 • District 5080 • Club ID#262

## **March Birthdays**

George Sanders, Sam Volpentest, Greg Warner, Ann Roseberry, Dan Skorski

## **March Programs**

2nd – Jolene Hathe: Three Rivers Children's Museum

9th – Krista Lingle, Exchange Student

## **Guests**

Columbia Center Rotarians John Herrig, Mike Young

Pat Hollick (Tom Bock), Scott Barlow (Darrel Johnsen)

## **Gubernatorial**

Arlen Gadeken, speaking for the District Conference, 5/20-24, invited one and all. An early-bird \$25 registration discount ends on 2/28. He was here to collect registration \$, equipped with credit card wherewithal. More announcements will be forthcoming regarding home hospitality and home stays.

## **Sic Transit**

Rod Bluechel, mainstay at the desk, has moved on. He was the quintessential jolly good fellow to all of us. He will be missed, as were some of his predecessors. It has been a succession of good folk that has greeted all comers. Rod, given due plaudits, a certificate of appreciation, a restaurant gift card, and an invitation to come back to visit, shuffles off into club history. In his place sits Kathleen Sheeley, a promising newcomer.

## **Of, For, and About**

Justin announced the Spring Dance, Saturday, 3/13, at the Red Lion. With Ian at the controls, it should be ideal. (Justin also found the Columbia Center Club songless, and was appalled).

Art announced Yosen's heavy surgery at Stanford. Yosen is doing well, which cheers us.

## **PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS**

Judy L. Addis (2S)

Steve Arneson (2S)

Jeremy Asmus

Bill Battershell (5S)(B)

Bob Best (2S)(B)

Tom Bock (5S)(B)

Gordon Bopp (S)

Ernie Boston (D)(B)

Dee Burrie

Herb Cahn (4S)(B)

Thomas A. Cowan (2S)(B)

Bob De Lorenzo (D)(B)

Jeanne Dillner (S)

Hal J. Ellner (R)

Jo Ferguson

Diane Fossum (2S)

Phill Fossum (3S)

Barbara French (R)

Jan Griffin

Greg Holben (S)

Jan Jackson (S)

Larry D. Jecha

Darrel Johnsen

Cindy Johnson

Roy Keck

Scott Keller

Shelley Kennedy

Tom Kirchner (4S)(B)

Walt Kirkpatrick (2S)(B)

Art D. Kohler (2R)(B)

Dave Larkin (4S)

Bob D. Larson (3S)(B)

Pamela Larsen (3S)(B)

Dave Lemak (2S)

Phil Lemley (S)

Tim Lewis (S)

Yosen Liu (S)

Larry Lowry (S)

Mike McAndrew

Grant McCallum (S)

Bill McCue

Jerry J. McGuire (B)

Richard L. McLean (5S)

Bing Manawadu

Robert D. Nichols

Greg Oberg (2S)(B)

Thomas M. O'Brien (2S)

Marge O'Connell (DD)(B)

Joseph V. Parrish

Jon M. Putz (4S)

Ed Revell (2S)

Ray K. Robinson (4S)

George Sanders (2S)(B)

Gary Scofield (4S)(B)

Anjan K. Sen (S)

Chris Senske (S)

Bill R. Siefken (R)

Mark Smith (3S)(B)

Mike Spellman (3S)(B)

Lloyd Swain (5S)(B)

Ruth Swain (4S)(B)

William Taylor

Bob Tibbatts

Russell Treat (B)

Rampur S. Viswanath (4S)

Sam R. Volpentest (R)(B)

Gregory T. Warner (S)

Ken Williams (3S)

Hal Williamson (D)(B)

Keith Woods (S)(B)

Jack D. Zinn (3S)

(B) Benefactor

(D) Diamond PHF

(DD) Dbl. Diamond PHF

(R) Ruby

(#R) Multiple Ruby

(S) Sapphire

(#S) Multiple Sapphires

(6/30/09)

## **Officers**

President .....Grant McCallum

Vice President.....Darrel Johnsen

Secretary.....Dave Larkin

Treasurer.....Diane Fossum

Foundation Treasurer....Bob Tibbatts

Past President.....Dave Lemak

## **Directors**

Club Service 'A' .....William Taylor

Club Service 'B' .....Tom O'Brien

Community Service.....June Ollero

International Service.....Phil Lemley

Membership Activities...Darrel Johnsen

Vocational Service.....Greg Holben

President Grant represented us at Joe Westsik's funeral service. There will be an announcement about a tribute to Joe, perhaps in the form of a donation in his name.

Grant also defined a Shelter Box, appropriate to the Haiti situation. It houses ten in a tent and includes blankets, provisions, and water purification apparatus.

## Miss Tri-Cities

The 50th annual bearer of the title, Jerrica Fowler, came duly coroneted. She is also duly qualified, having compiled a curriculum vitae that occupies half a page. For one so young, this is remarkable. Jerrica appears on the website: [misstricities.org](http://misstricities.org). This contains photos of all her predecessors. There is an effort at present to bring back as many as possible for a reunion.

Jerrica's education essentially began at Southridge High School and continued at CBC where she earned Associate in Arts. Presently she is a junior at WSU working toward a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and Criminology. She is aided no little by a \$10K scholarship. In fact, every competitor for the Miss Tri-Cities title receives a scholarship.

Her talent is in piano. She rendered a small passage for the assemblage. Her scholastic honors, leadership roles, and accomplishments, numerous and exemplary, will serve her well in the coming Miss Washington competition. The winner of this goes on to the Miss America finals. Jerrica has worked professionally with some show business notables. She has starred in three commercials and has a lead role in a nationally televised commercial. The youngest of eight siblings, she is the only one independently to fund her college education.

Some other notable points in her talk:

- The Miss America Program, including the subsidiaries that feed into it, is the leading scholarship provider for young women throughout the world.
- Each Miss America contestant has a platform. Hers is Youth Empowerment: Building Confidence to Achieve Dreams.
- Funds generated via these programs go for the relief of families whose ill children's care is otherwise uncompensated. The cause is titled the Children's Miracle Network. On the day of her Rotary appearance, Jerrica spoke of Pancake Day at IHOP, where one could down a stack of them for any degree of donation to the Network. And who should be there, helping prepare and serve? (Did you guess it was Jerrica?)
- She had words of praise for the work of Val Wright, et al, whose work in these annual programs has enabled their success. The Board of Volunteers raised \$25K last year for scholarships for the contestants.
- The pageant is much more than parading across a stage. The events include an interview, on-stage talent, swimsuit, and evening wear.
- Jerrica enjoys helping young people with building their confidence to enable the realization of their dreams and making their own decisions. In her mentoring capacity, she has been able to rescue a few from trouble.
- She mentions mentoring in such places as the YMCA and Boys & Girls Clubs as areas in which trusted, non-judgmental adults provide valuable help.



## **Judge Jon**

It is not necessary to give this judge advance notice. Working off the cuff and shooting, as is his wont, from the hip, he put together a creditable court. There was a scarf of apocryphal ownership. A gator's son became a cougar. Another's son is to commit matrimony. Tom K. made some sort of Rotary connection in Casper, WY, for his son's wedding bash. The details of this were hard to follow, but at least Tom seemed to understand them. Scott K. announced he had worked as a bouncer in Casper. Anyone who can do that and survive in rough-and-tumble Wyoming is a force with whom to be reckoned. Ed waxed patriotic/fraternal in re the US/ Canadian Olympics medalists. Phill did skiing at Telluride and made it in time for the D-P anniversary. Rampur and his guest were both here at the same time. Tom Bock hiked on the Eagle Creek Trail in OR and found it an

experience. Pete and Cindy, with a newspaper column to their credit, did it for the common good. It cost them, nonetheless. Red-badger Fariss had good words for local politicians and the city as a whole. Darrel's facility hosted the Vienna Boys' Choir, proceeds going to Kiwanis. The Judge charged one and all on the occasion of the anniversary of Rotary's founding in 1905.

## **Jokers' Corner**

A traveling salesman was held up by a bad storm in the Hawaiian Islands. He sent an e-mail to his corporate headquarters advising them that he was stranded for a few days and requested instructions. The reply came back shortly: "Begin vacation as of yesterday."

A neutron walks into a bar. "I'd like a beer," he says. The bartender promptly serves up a beer. "How much will that be?" asks the neutron. "For you?" replies the bartender, "no charge."

## **Richland Rotary Members**

Judy Addis (7/89)	Rick Jansons (10/09)	Marge O'Connell (10/03)
Steve Arneson (3/02)	Larry Jecha (8/97)	June Ollero (2/03)
Jeremy Asmus (10/07)	Darrel Johnsen (8/97)	Vic Parrish (12/97)
Bill Battershell (3/56)	Cynthia Johnson (6/09)	Kim Pietrok (9/08)
James Bauer (1/09)	Stan Jones (10/07)	Jon Putz (5/81)
Linda Bauer (1/09)	Roy Keck (10/04)	Justin Raffa (12/09)
Ken Beller (12/07)	Scott Keller (7/02)	Ed Revell (6/08)
Bob Best (4/90)	Shelley Kennedy (9/02)	Dick Richter (6/08)
Tom Bock (3/76)	Tom Kirchner (3/81)	Robert Rivera (7/09)
George Booth (11/06)	Walt Kirkpatrick (9/70)	Ray Robinson (2/87)
Gordon Bopp (5/04)	Art Kohler (287)	Pete Rogalsky (7/05)
Ernie Boston (2/65)	Dave Larkin (4/04)	Ann Roseberry (1/10)
Dee Burrie (7/92)	Pam Larsen (2/95)	George Sanders (10/06)
Herb Cahn (6/55)	Bob Larson (6/90)	Gary Scofield (2/75)
Blaine Carr (12/09)	Dan LeBlanc (2/09)	Don Segna (12/05)
Tom Cowan (4/80)	Terri LeBlanc (5/08)	Anjan Sen (11/96)
Bob De Lorenzo (3/88)	Dave Lemak (1/01)	Chris Senske (1/80)
Jeanne Dillner (8/01)	Phil Lemley (6/06)	Bill Siefken (4/87)
Todd Dixon (8/08)	Tim Lewis (10/03)	Dan Skorski (1/10)
Hal Ellner (8/83)	Yosen Liu (1/91)	Mark Smith (3/01)
Meredith Fariss (2/10)	John Lowe (6/09)	Mike Spellman (4/81)
Jo Ferguson (10/05)	Larry Lowry (10/05)	Lloyd Swain (8/89)
Diane Fossum (8/07)	Bing Manawadu (10/86)	Ruth Swain (9/88)
Phill Fossum (11/03)	Mike McAndrew (2/07)	Bill Taylor (7/07)
Barbara French (11/98)	Patrick McBurney (6/09)	Bob Tibbatts (6/03)
Bill Friend (3/09)	Grant McCallum (9/91)	Russ Treat (1/92)
LeRoy Goff (8/08)	Greg McCann (1/10)	Lura Turo (1/10)
Jan Griffin (9/00)	Bill McCue (3/94)	Rampur Viswanath (6/95)
Linda Gustafson (3/08)	Jerry McGuire (3/95)	Sam Volpentest (1/95)
Tom Heidegger (1/09)	Dick McLean (10/85)	Greg Warner (3/00)
Greg Holben (4/06)	Ian Napier (11/08)	Ken Williams (12/00)
Shelley Horton (3/09)	Bob Nichols (8/97)	Hal Williamson (4/88)
Diahann Howard (4/08)	Greg Oberg (1/88)	Mike Winegardner (11/09)
Jan Jackson (6/00)	Tom O'Brien (11/98)	Keith Woods (1/97)
		Jack Zinn (7/74)

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## **Honorary Members**

**Herb Cahn  
Ernie Boston  
Vic Parrish  
Mike Spellman  
Bob DeLorenzo**

## **Number of Members as of July 1, 2009**

**97**

**Gained: Robert Rivera, Rick Jansons, Mike Winegardner, Blaine Carr, Justin Raffa, Greg McCann, Ann Roseberry, Dan Skorski, Lura Turo and Meredith Fariss**

**Lost: Bob Lawyer, Reed Kaldor, Gilbert Mendoza and Joe Westsik**

## **Current Members**

**103**

