

RICHLAND ROTARY REACTOR

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 Red Lion Hotel (Hanford House)
 • Charter 7390 • District 5080 • Club ID#262

Speaker Schedule for March

15th – Adam Brault, Tri-Cities Public Market
 22nd – Dr. Jones, Benton/Franklin Trends
 29th – Marc Levanthal, Paddle Wheel Tour

Preliminaries

President Larry called the meeting to order, and asked who was the song leader. No one answered, but Jim Bauer volunteered to lead the group in God Bless America.

Visitors

Visiting Rotarians were Darryl Francis of Tri-City Sunrise, plus Don Hart and Michael Reuter of Columbia Center. Our visitors were Chelsea Smith a coworker of Jeanne Dillner and Phillip Koech brought his wife Tecla.

Announcements

C. Mark Smith reminded the group about the Tri-Citian of the Year banquet coming up next month. Join Chris Smith at his table!
 Jeanne Dillner thanked the club for support of

the SIGN work in Africa.

Aloha Rotarian

Jim Bauer came forward at Larry's request to announce the Aloha Rotarian for this year. He said the contest would be like last

year's event where the anyone can nominate anyone to end up doing a hula in a grass skirt and coconut shell bra (Scott Keller's hula performance last year was quite an event!). So nominations can be made through next weeks meeting, and we can vote anytime over the next



PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Judy Addis (2S)(B)	Jan Jackson (2S)	Bill McCue (1S)	Bob Tibbatts (1S)
Steve Arneson (1R)	Larry D. Jecha	Jerry J. McGuire (B)	Sam R. Volpentest (2R)(B)
Jeremy Asmus (2S)	Darrel Johnsen (2S)	Kathy Miller (5S)	Tom Watkins (D)(B)
Jim Bauer (4S)	Roy Keck	Robert D. Nichols	Ken Williams (5S)
Linda Bauer (5S)	Scott Keller	Debbie Nogueras	Hal Williamson (DD)(B)
Bob Best (2S)(B)	Shelley Kennedy	Greg Oberg (4S) (B)	Jack D. Zinn (4S)
Tom Bock (1R)(B)	Tom Kirchner (1R)(B)	Thomas M. O'Brien (2S)	(B) Benefactor
Gordon Bopp (1S)	Phillip Koech	Jon M. Putz (5S)	(D) Diamond PHF
Blaine Carr (5S)	Art D. Kohler (D)(B)	Cindy Reents (1S)	(DD) Dbl. Diamond PHF
Thomas A. Cowan (4S)(B)	Dave Larkin (D)	Dick Richter (1S)	(R) Ruby
Bob De Lorenzo (D)(B)	Pamela Larsen (4S)(B)	Robert Rivera	(#R) Multiple Ruby
Jeanne Dillner (2S)	Bob D. Larson (4S)(B)	Pete Rogalsky (1S)	(S) Sapphire
Barbara French (D)	Phil Lemley (2S)	Gary Scofield (4S) (B)	(#S) Multiple Sapphires
Julie Funfar	Tim Lewis (2S)	Anjan K. Sen (1S)	
Linda Gilmore (2S)	Yosen Liu (1S)	Chris Senske (1S)	
Jan Griffin (1S)	Larry Lowry (1S)(B)	Rick Schulte	
Pat Haggerty	Bing Manawadu	Bill R. Siefken (1R)	
Leslie Hawkins (1S)	Mike McAndrew (1S)	Mike Sinclair	
Diahann Howard	Grant McCallum (3S)	Mark Smith (5S) (B)	

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 Fellowship & Fund Raising.Linda Gilmore

two meetings. Nominating someone costs \$10, votes will cost one dollar. Steve Arneson started off the nominations naming Jim Bauer. Other nominees include: Diahann Howard, Jon Putz and Ken Williams. Jim will also accept e-mails for nominations. His e-mail is golfnjimb@aol.com. Larry noted we made over \$2500 from last years contest.

Darryl Francis spoke briefly about upcoming training such as at the District Assembly next Saturday, plus Rotary Leadership training 1 March 19 at Anthony's and RL -2 on April 16 at the Red Lion. There is also a training session for Rotary Leadership graduates April 16. There are links on the Rotary Clubrunner page and on the Rotary District website.

50/50

Gary Scofield said there was \$39 in the pot. Jeanne Dillner had the right ticket, but wrong chip. However, she drew another of her own tickets for the \$10 prize.

Judge Larry Lowry

Larry asked if anyone had been assigned as Judge today. When he had no answer, he decided to wield the gavel himself. First he noted Ken Williams was late in arriving. He asked who in the group were Paul Harris Fellows, and asked if they were wearing their pins. The fine for not was \$1 per Paul Harris. Grant McCallum was fined for a ringing phone. Larry asked Chris Smith and Darryl Johnson about motorcycle riding in the lovely spring weather. Both said they had been out with no incidents. Chris said a friend of his had some problems, but not him. Darryl also said he had been to Haiti to see how things were going since the earthquake in 2010. He and others were doing surveys, and said there was still a lot of work to be done. Jeanne Dillner said she was proud that SIGN had reached 165,000 patients treated.

Bob Larson had a skiing vacation and said he was out every day and didn't fall once! Pat Haggerty said she had attended a number of family events in the past week and was happy to have everyone gone (including Al) and a quiet house for a couple of days. Larry asked Pete Rogalsky if the city could do anything about the tumbleweeds coming out of Badger Mountain Park into his yard, like building a 25-foot high fence. Pete said he didn't think he could make that happen.

Program

Stan introduced the speaker, Ken Fincher, PhD, Assistant Vice Chancellor for WSU TriCities. Dr. Fincher is originally from Texas but went to school in Georgia. He has served in leadership roles with Boy Scouts of America, American Red Cross, USO, Shorter University (Georgia) and Sears Methodist Retirement System. He earned a doctorate in psychology with an emphasis in organizational leadership and nonprofit management from the University of the Rockies. He also holds a B.S. in social science from Shorter University and a master's in philanthropy and development from St. Mary's University (Minnesota).

Dr. Fincher started off by noting he was a former Rotarian from the Mid City club in Atlanta. He was proud of being Rotarian of the Year in 1997 as chair of the Community Service Committee. His club adopted a shelter for victims of abuse and the shelter staff and residents often helped on Rotary



projects. Dr Fincher had an insulated mug with the WSU logo and asked who was our most senior member. He presented the mug to Jack Zinn as a thank you for his service to Rotary and the community.

He said though he was originally from Texas, he would avoid giving a "Longhorn Speech." A longhorn speech is one that has two points, with a bunch of bull in between. He also thanks Rotary for the contributions we have made to the campus, including the Rotary Stage, a Rotary pathway next to the Wine Science Center and the scholarships we sponsor. The University has a 5k run planned for April 9 that ends at the Rotary Stage.



WSU Tri-Cities was established in 1989, but there was more history before that. The school was initially the Joint Center for Graduate Studies, and the Richland School District donated 84 acres of land for the school in 1967. The campus now has about 1600 students and 300 faculty members. Ten percent of students are military veterans, and there is a veteran's center on campus. The University gives over \$270,000 in scholarships to students and has BA/BS, MS and PhD programs in multiple subjects.

Richland Rotary Members

Judy Addis (7/89)	Bob Larson (6/90)	Tom Watkins (9/11)
Steve Arneson (3/02)	Phil Lemley (6/06)	James Watson (4/12)
Jeremy Asmus (10/07)	Tim Lewis (10/03)	Ken Williams (12/00)
James Bauer (1/09)	Yosen Liu (1/91)	Hal Williamson (4/88)
Linda Bauer (1/09)	Larry Lowry (10/05)	Mike Winegardner (11/09)
Bob Best (4/90)	Bing Manawadu (10/86)	Jacqui Wright (12/13)
Tom Bock (3/76)	Mike McAndrew (2/07)	
Gordon Bopp (5/04)	Patrick McBurney (6/09)	
Blaine Carr (12/09)	Grant McCallum (9/91)	
Tom Cowan (4/80)	Bill McCue (3/94)	
Jeanne Dillner (8/01)	Jerry McGuire (3/95)	
Barbara French (11/98)	Chris Meiers (12/15)	
Julie Funfar (7/13)	Kathy Miller (6/12)	
Linda Gilmore (4/12)	Ian Napier (11/08)	
Jan Griffin (9/00)	Bob Nichols (8/97)	
Linda Gustafson (3/08)	Debbie Noguerras (8/15)	
Al Haggerty (4/12)	Greg Oberg (1/88)	
Patricia Haggerty (4/12)	Tom O'Brien (11/98)	
Leslie Hawkins (11/12)	Jon Putz (5/81)	
Pat Hollick (8/10)	Dick Richter (6/08)	
Diahann Howard (4/08)	Robert Rivera (7/09)	
Jan Jackson (6/00)	Pete Rogalsky (7/05)	
Larry Jecha (8/97)	Gary Scofield (2/75)	
Darrel Johnsen (8/97)	Rick Schulte (6/14)	
Cynthia Johnson (6/09)	Anjan Sen (11/96)	
Stan Jones (10/07)	Chris Senske (1/80)	
Roy Keck (10/04)	Bill Siefken (4/87)	
Scott Keller (7/02)	Mike Sinclair (1/11)	
Shelley Kennedy (9/02)	Chris Smith (8/10)	
Tom Kirchner (3/81)	Mark Smith (3/01)	
Phillip Koech (8/13)	Bob Tibbatts (6/03)	
Art Kohler (2/87)	Greg Tripp (6/11)	
Dave Larkin (4/04)	Cynthia Vaughn (12/14)	
Pam Larsen (2/95)	Sam Volpentest (1/95)	

Honorary Members
Bob DeLorenzo, Jack Zinn & General James Mattis

**Number of Members
as of July 1, 2015**

79

Current Members:

74

Gained:

Debbie Noguerras

Lost:

Kim Pietrok, John Darrington,
Greg Warner, Rick Jansons, Drew
Haninger & Madeleine Brown



Be a gift to the world

WSU Tri-Cities calls itself a “High Impact” school that is experiential, hands on, Stem focused, career ready and multidiscipline. They integrate external community entities to expand student experience. Community and local business and government people help teach classes, giving practical lessons to the students. In turn, the students may get involved in local projects, like one recently where students helped develop software for a non-profit to help them track the clients they serve. There are many cross discipline programs as well as certificate programs for the adult learner.

The near future will bring additions to the campus. The student body is raising money for a 6000 square foot Student Union building. There is a new Academic Building planned that will be STEM focused. Another plan is to build 160 units of resident housing, working as a public/private partnership. This will allow for more students from outside the immediate area to attend WSU. Right now, nearly 97 percent of the students come from the four nearest counties: Benton, Franklin, Yakima and Walla Walla counties. Further down the road is a plan for a hotel and conference center. The center will be a working laboratory for the new programs in Hospitality Management.

They are also looking at sports fields, as they currently use Hanford High facilities. There is a great Rugby team as well as soccer, but they would like to add tennis for men and women.

In summary WSU Tri-Cities is a campus with large school facilities with the size and feel of a small private school. It has reasonable costs and has world-class instructors. If you want to get involved, there are many ways to donate time or funds. Look for their fundraising campaign coming up!

Hal's Humor

One night, four college students were out partying late and didn't study for the test scheduled for the next day. In the morning they thought of a plan. They made themselves look dirty with grease and dirt. They then went up to the Dean and said that they had gone out to a wedding last night and on their return the tire of their car burst and they had to push the car all the way back and that they were in no condition to take the test.

The Dean said they could have the re-test in 3 days. They thanked him and said they will be ready by that time. On the third day they appeared before the Dean. The Dean said that as this was a Special Condition Test, all four were required to sit in separate classrooms for the test. They all agreed as they had prepared well in the last 3 days.

The Test consisted of 2 questions with the total of 100 points.

Q.1. Your Name.....(2 points)

Q.2. Which tire burst?.....(98 points)

a) Front Left b) Front Right c) Back Left d) Back Right

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

Richland Riverside.....Monday, Noon
Anthony's Home Port Restaurant
Columbia Point Drive, Richland

Richland.....Tuesday, 12:10 P.M.
Red Lion Hotel/Hanford House
802 George Washington Way, Richland

Pasco-Kennewick.....Wednesday, Noon
Clover Island Inn
435 Clover Island Drive, Kennewick

Columbia Valley Daybreak...Thursday, 7:00 A.M.
Tri-Tech Skills Center
5929 W. Metaline, Kennewick

Columbia Center.....Thursday, Noon
Bingo Boulevard
6222 W. John Day Ave., Kennewick

Tri-Cities Sunrise.....Friday, 7:00 A.M.
Red Lion Hotel Pasco, 2525 N. 20th, Pasco

Mid-Columbia Rotaract.....Every other Monday, 4:30 P.M.
Fire & Brimstone, 1022 N. Columbia Center Blvd, Kennewick