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Speaker Schedule for April

4/15 – Senske Pest Control: Bed bugs and other pests
 4/22 – Bob Bass: Friends of Badger Mtn
 4/29 – John Putz: Duck Race season

Preliminaries

Today's meeting seemed to have a kind of out-of-body character to it in the opinion of your old editor. President Jeremy opened the meeting by calling on Justin to lead the obligatory song. This weekly flight into the unknown produced the "UConn HUSKY" in honor of the winners of both the men's and women's NCAA basketball championships. "U Conn Husky, symbol of might to the foe," etc. At least Justin had practiced it enough times so that he could sing it. Today's Reactor scribe, Leslie Hawkins, a native of Connecticut but not familiar with the school's fight song, was proud of our performance!

Guests and Visiting Rotarians

Larry Jecha announced our visiting Rotarians

and guests. David Kelly and Steve Hussey visited from Tri-Cities Sunrise, and Barbara Johnson joined us from Columbia Center Club. Guests were Carrie Hebert, guest of Mark Smith, and Rosa Cisneros, guest of Shelley Kennedy.

Announcements

Barbara Johnson reminded us why she enjoyed being a Columbia Center Rotarian and not a "singing Richland Rotarian. She joined us to announce that Bronze Star recipient Sergeant Keni Thomas will be the keynote speaker at this year's Tri-Citian of the Year Banquet on Saturday, April 19th at 6:00 pm at the Three Rivers Convention Center. Sergeant Thomas served in the Army Rangers, and was part of the elite force in Somalia that



PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Judy Addis (3S) (B)	Diahann Howard	Bing Manawadu	Bill R. Siefken (1R)
Steve Arneson (3S)	Jan Jackson (2S)	Mike McAndrew	Mike Sinclair
Jeremy Asmus (1S)	Rick Jansons (1S)	Grant McCallum (3S)	Mark Smith (5S) (B)
Jim Bauer (2S)	Larry D. Jecha	Bill McCue	Lloyd Swain (5S) (B)
Linda Bauer (4S)	Darrel Johnsen (2S)	Jerry J. McGuire (B)	Bob Tibbatts (1S)
Bob Best (2S) (B)	Cindy Johnson (1S)	Richard L. McLean (5S) (B)	Sam R. Volpentest (1R) (B)
Tom Bock (1R) (B)	Roy Keck	Kathy Miller (4S)	Gregory T. Warner (1S)
Gordon Bopp (1S)	Scott Keller	Robert D. Nichols	Tom Watkins (D) (B)
Dee Burrie	Shelley Kennedy	Greg Oberg (4S) (B)	Ken Williams (4S)
Herb Cahn (4S) (B)	Tom Kirchner (1R) (B)	Marlene Oliver	Hal Williamson (D) (B)
Blaine Carr (2S)	Walt Kirkpatrick (2S) (B)	Thomas M. O'Brien (2S)	Keith Woods (2S) (B)
Thomas A. Cowan (3S) (B)	Art D. Kohler (3R) (B)	Jon M. Putz (5S)	Jack D. Zinn (4S)
John Darrington	Dave Larkin (3R)	Ed Revell (3S) (B)	(B) Benefactor
Bob De Lorenzo (D) (B)	Pamela Larsen (4S) (B)	Dick Richter	(D) Diamond PHF
Jeanne Dillner (2S)	Bob D. Larson (4S) (B)	Robert Rivera	(DD) Dbl. Diamond PHF
Hal J. Ellner (1R)	Phil Lemley (2S)	George Sanders (2S) (B)	(R) Ruby
Barbara French (D) (B)	Tim Lewis (2S)	Gary Scofield (4S) (B)	(#R) Multiple Ruby
Bill Friend (1S)	Yosen Liu (1S)	Anjan K. Sen (1S)	(S) Sapphire
Jan Griffin (1S)	Larry Lowry (1S) (B)	Chris Senske (1S)	(#S) Multiple Sapphires

Officers

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 Club Service 'B'Justin Raffa
 Community Service...Diahann Howard
 Vocational Service...Jeanne Dillner
 International Service.....Jim Bauer
 New Generations.....Open
 Membership Activities....Blaine Carr

was portrayed in the book and movie "Black Hawk Down." The Tri-Citizen award is a community wide effort sponsored by area Rotary Clubs to recognize "service above self." President Jeremy has sent out an email to club members. If you have not ordered your table or individual tickets, please do so right away.

Linda and Jim Bauer just returned from three weeks in Hawaii and she presented the club with club banners from Rotary clubs in Hilo and Kona. One fundraising idea they brought back was the practice of members auctioning off something that they brought back from their travels. Husband Jim turned auctioneer and auctioned off a pound of specialty Kona coffee to Kathy Miller for \$45, and a bag of Macadamia nuts to, both from local farms on the island. After spirited bidding, Kathy Miller won the coffee for \$45. The lucky winner of the macadamia nuts was John Darrington who also made a winning bid of \$45.



Kathy Miller was presented with her Paul Harris plus 3 award. Congratulations to Kathy for her support of the Foundation!

New Member

Madeline Brown introduced Paula Duranceau who was initiated into the club as a new member. Paula is actually a returning member who has a gift for growing businesses, including a new one of her own as a health coach that gives her more flexibility to balance her family (husband and 3 children), community, and work obligations. Greg Oberg did the charge, and noted that Paula has shared his interest in the Rotary Exchange program. She continued to work on its behalf, even as she had to step away from Rotary membership for a time; truly Service above Self!



50/50

Gary Schofield announced that there was \$175.00 in the pot. Bill Siefken drew the wrong chip, and Leslie Hawkins held the lucky number for the \$10.00 consolation prize.

Judge Larry Lowry

Larry relayed the news that Jon Putz had been in the hospital, but is now out and doing better. Larry announced that he will meet his former exchange student from Prague and his "honorary grandchildren during an upcoming trip. Bill Siefken announced that he will be celebrating his 62nd wedding anniversary this weekend with his "starter wife." His Honor also quizzed the club on whose birthday we will be celebrating this Friday. Kathy Miller correctly identified the birthday as belonging to Paul Harris. She knew this courtesy of the calendar in the most recent Rotarian magazine. Everyone else was fined for their inattention. Ian Napier was cited for the lack of air condition in the room (where was that heat when we needed it in the room last winter?) Linda Bauer had two celebratory moments during her Hawaiian vacation—watching her ten-year-old grandson pull in a 30 lb. Mahi Mahi, and learning to paddle-board on the open ocean. Jim Bauer told of a whale watching excursion during which he was able to touch a dolphin which came right up to their boat. Mike Winegardner called everyone's attention to the currently blooming tulips



that were planted by Richland Rotary several years ago near the Allied Arts Center in Howard Amon Park. Barb Johnson was cited for her lack of enthusiasm for the UConn (the other Huskies) fight song. Shelley Kennedy announced that her daughter, an Animal Science major at Idaho State, had received a paid internship at Borden Dairy this summer. Somehow this set off a spate of cow stories. . . Marlene Oliver related the story of her friend's daughter, who is in veterinary school who sent her mother a picture of a cow birth in which she participated. Ken Williams provided an extended soliloquy of strange stories about the springtime births and deaths of calves in which he had recently participated.

Program

Mark Smith introduced our speaker, Kirk Williamson, who spoke on the rather

strange topic of "Parochialism: It's not where you think it is, and it's not their fault". Williamson, a former broadcaster, was instrumental in the founding of Family Affair events and the Domestic Violence Shelter. He is a longtime civic activist and was Kennewick's Man of the Year in 2010. He is the Public Affairs and Community Relations Director for Group Health Cooperative, although he was speaking as a private citizen.



Richland Rotary Members

Judy Addis (7/89)	Stan Jones (10/07)	Ed Revell (6/08)
Steve Arneson (3/02)	Roy Keck (10/04)	Dick Richter (6/08)
Jeremy Asmus (10/07)	Scott Keller (7/02)	Robert Rivera (7/09)
James Bauer (1/09)	Shelley Kennedy (9/02)	Pete Rogalsky (7/05)
Linda Bauer (1/09)	Tom Kirchner (3/81)	Gary Scofield (2/75)
Bob Best (4/90)	Walt Kirkpatrick (9/70)	Anjan Sen (11/96)
Tom Bock (3/76)	Phillip Koech (8/13)	Chris Senske (1/80)
George Booth (11/06)	Art Kohler (2/87)	Bill Siefken (4/87)
Gordon Bopp (5/04)	Dave Larkin (4/04)	Mike Sinclair (1/11)
Madeleine Brown (3/13)	Pam Larsen (2/95)	Chris Smith (8/10)
Dee Burrie (7/92)	Bob Larson (6/90)	Mark Smith (3/01)
Blaine Carr (12/09)	Terri LeBlanc (5/08)	Lloyd Swain (8/89)
Connie Corcoran (8/13)	Phil Lemley (6/06)	Katie Swan (10/11)
Tom Cowan (4/80)	Tim Lewis (10/03)	Bob Tibbatts (6/03)
John Darrington (1/11)	Yosen Liu (1/91)	Greg Tripp (6/11)
Jeanne Dillner (8/01)	Larry Lowry (10/05)	Harry Van Dyken (11/11)
Barbara French (11/98)	Bing Manawadu (10/86)	Sam Volpentest (1/95)
Bill Friend (3/09)	Mike McAndrew (2/07)	Greg Warner (3/00)
Don Frigaard (10/12)	Patrick McBurney (6/09)	Tom Watkins (9/11)
Julie Funfar (7/13)	Grant McCallum (9/91)	James Watson (4/12)
Linda Gilmore (4/12)	Aaron McCreight (12/13)	Ken Williams (12/00)
Jan Griffin (9/00)	Bill McCue (3/94)	Hal Williamson (4/88)
Linda Gustafson (3/08)	Jerry McGuire (3/95)	Mike Winegardner (11/09)
Al Haggerty (4/12)	Dick McLean (10/85)	Keith Woods (1/97)
Patricia Haggerty (4/12)	Kathy McMullen (1/13)	Jacqui Wright (12/13)
Leslie Hawkins (11/12)	Kathy Miller (6/12)	
Tom Heidegger (1/09)	Ian Napier (11/08)	
Pat Hollick (8/10)	Bob Nichols (8/97)	
Diahann Howard (4/08)	Greg Oberg (1/88)	
Jan Jackson (6/00)	Tom O'Brien (11/98)	
Rick Jansons (10/09)	Marlene Oliver (7/10)	
Larry Jecha (8/97)	Kim Pietrok (9/08)	
Darrel Johnsen (8/97)	Jon Putz (5/81)	
Cynthia Johnson (6/09)	Justin Raffa (12/09)	

Honorary Members
Herb Cahn, Bob DeLorenzo,
Hal Ellner & Jack Zinn

Number of Members
as of July 1, 2013

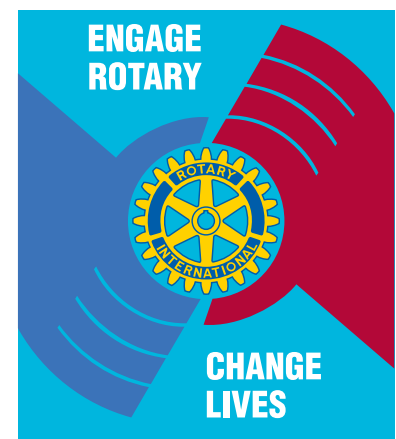
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**Gained: Julie Funfar,
Connie Corcoran,
Phillip Koech, Leslie
Hawkins, Jacqui Wright,
Aaron McCreight**

**Lost: Rampur Viswanath,
Anne Roseberry, Vicki
Monteagudo, Jack Zinn
moved to Honorary, Ramez
Farag, George Sanders**

Current Members:

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Kirk contended that the inability to fund badly needed regional public facilities projects, such as a performing arts center, convention center upgrade, and aquatic center is often blamed on local parochialism. However, that is only partly true. Kirk believes that the future success of such projects needs to be viewed in the context of the need for consolidation, cooperation and collaboration between the communities. He contends that it is the local governments and their public facilities districts which are being parochial by promoting individual local projects that are not seen as benefiting all of the people of our region. As an alternative, he cited the example of the passage of a bond issue for a regional transit system, after an initial failure, when the point was successfully made that everyone in the community benefits, not just one jurisdiction, benefitted.

He talked about the need for comprehensive planning that addresses the facility needs of multiple communities needs at the same time, possibly using a common management entity for all facilities which have a regional focus. He called for the local Public Facilities Districts to be abolished and for the Regional Public Facilities District to appoint a broad-based blue-ribbon committee to determine community needs and obtain broad-based community support for a series of projects which will benefit each community while addressing regional needs.

Hal's Humor

Dan went to see his supervisor in the front office.

"Boss, we're doing some heavy house-cleaning at home tomorrow, and my wife needs me to help with the moving and hauling."

"We're very short-handed, Dan" the boss replied. "I can't give you the day off."

"Thanks, boss. I knew I could count on you."

(Leslie Hawkins was the principal scribe for this week's edition)

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