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# **ROTARY REACTOR**

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**Next Up: Anne Myer, Catholic Family & Child Services.**

### **Preliminaries**

Justin Raffe returned to lead us in a rendition (with Guitar) of John Denver's "Take Me Home (West Virginia)." Good to have you back home, Justin!

### **Guests and Visiting Rotarians**

Today's guests included Connie Corcoran, the guest of Linda Bauer and Kathy Walker, the guest of Madelaine Brown. Visiting Rotarians included Wendy King-Hastings (Riverside); Eric Coughanour (Columbia Center); Steve Hussey (Pasco Sunrise); and Jeanne Jelke (Columbia Center).

### **Announcements**

Linda Gilmore has forms for Duck Race sponsors and those wishing to contribute prizes. Contact

her! Mike Sinclair announced that the Fellowship is sponsoring a social on May 2 at the 3-Eyed Fish from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. Jean Delke, the executive director of the Benton-Franklin Red Cross announced a fundraiser they are having in about two months. Jean will be our speaker at an upcoming meeting and there will be more about the event then. Jim Bauer announced our periodic Walk for Trash out along Highway 240. It will be on April 27 in the morning. More later.

### **50/50**

There was \$97 in the pot and 15 chips. In a color reversal, Larry Lowry failed to pull out the white chip (normally a loser) so he pulled out a colored chip and lost. Dick Richter collected the \$10 consolation prize.

## **PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS**

Judy Addis (2S)	Jan Jackson (2S)	Mike McAndrew	Bill R. Siefken (1R)
Steve Arneson (3S)	Rick Jansons	Grant McCallum (2S)	Mike Sinclair
Jeremy Asmus (1S)	Larry D. Jecha	Bill McCue	Mark Smith (3S) (B)
Jim Bauer (1S)	Darrel Johnsen (2S)	Jerry J. McGuire (B)	Lloyd Swain (5S) (B)
Linda Bauer (2S)	Cindy Johnson (1S)	Richard L. McLean (5S)	Bob Tibbatts (1S)
Bob Best (2S)(B)	Roy Keck	Kathy Miller (3S)	Rampur S. Viswanath (2R)
Tom Bock (6S)(B)	Scott Keller	Robert D. Nichols	Sam R. Volpentest (1R)(B)
Gordon Bopp (1S)	Shelley Kennedy	Greg Oberg (2S) (B)	Gregory T. Warner (1S)
Dee Burrie	Tom Kirchner (1R)(B)	Marlene Oliver	Ken Williams (4S)
Herb Cahn (4S)(B)	Walt Kirkpatrick (2S)(B)	Thomas M. O'Brien (2S)	Hal Williamson (DD)(B)
Blaine Carr (1S)	Art D. Kohler (3R)(B)	Jon M. Putz (5S)	Keith Woods (2S)(B)
Thomas A. Cowan (2S)(B)	Dave Larkin (2R)	Ed Revell (3S)(B)	Jack D. Zinn (3S)
John Darrington	Pamela Larsen (3S)(B)	Dick Richter	(B) Benefactor
Bob De Lorenzo (D)(B)	Bob D. Larson (4S)(B)	Robert Rivera	(D) Diamond PHF
Jeanne Dillner (2S)	Phil Lemley (2S)	Ann Roseberry (1S)	(DD) Dbl. Diamond PHF
Hal J. Ellner (1R)	Tim Lewis (1S)	George Sanders (2S)(B)	(R) Ruby
Barbara French (D)	Yosen Liu (1S)	Gary Scofield (3S) (B)	(#R) Multiple Ruby
Bill Friend (1S)	Larry Lowry (1S)	Anjan K. Sen (1S)	(S) Sapphire
Jan Griffin (1S)	Bing Manawadu	Chris Senske (1S)	(#S) Multiple Sapphires

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**Judge Putz:** (See, Jon, I spelled your name right!) Ed Revell and Ken Williams were late (what else is new on Ken's part?) Pete Rogalsky was fined for not knowing why the city suffered its recent power outage. Scott Keller and our guest speaker engaged in some long dialogue about the quality of their various port pens. Scott's are cheaper . . . (I think he said that they had no working parts). Jeanne Dillner is just back from Haiti. The remainder involved new grandchildren, and favorite basketball teams.



### **Program**

Today's speaker was Skip Novakovich, the chairman of the Port of Kennewick Commission. Skip's list of awards and community interests would make a program in itself. He is a former Kennewick Man of the Year and Tri-Citizen of the Year.

Much of Benton County lies within the Port of Kennewick. It was formed in 1915 and currently comprises 485 square miles. Like all port districts, the Port of Kennewick mission is to create jobs and support economic development.

Current projects include the Spaulding Business Park (which now contains 164,000 square feet of buildings, the 93-acre West Richland raceway, Clover Island, the Duffy's Pond area across from Clover Island, the Oak Street Industrial Park in East Kennewick, and Vista Field.

Vista Field has been very controversial as various factions fought to retain it as a general aviation field while others have advocated closing it and redeveloping the property for commercial or mixed use.

The port recently retained a consulting firm to study the various options. Both of the proposed future options have merit, but

recently completed cost studies have resulted in many community organizations and the Tri-City Herald to come out in favor of redevelopment. The cost studies suggest that expanding the airport will cost \$43,510,188 against land sales of \$956,000. Redeveloping Vista Field will result in a cost of \$11,897,833 while land sales will account for \$15,613,750 or a potential net profit to the Port of \$4,715,917.



A Special Public Hearing will be held to come to a final resolution of the future of Vista Field on April 17, 2013 at the Tri-Cities Business and Visitor Center, 7130 W. Grandview. If you are interested in being heard, be there!