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ROTARY REACTOR

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• 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

May Speaker Schedule

2nd – Rick James/Chris Hoch, US Postal Service

9th – Jackie Stam, Law Day

16th – Lupe Mares, Community in Schools

23rd – Scholarship Luncheon

Preliminaries

As the members entered the room the projector was showing the link to Slido.com and a number. This was to a Rotary Satisfaction Survey with a number of questions about the club. David Chevey-Reynaud went up to explain how to get to the survey and they wanted as many of us as possible to complete during the meeting, so we could discuss the results. While getting lunch, attendees started pulling smart phones and tablets to sign in to Slido.

The survey site will be open for a week for members to fill out the survey. Go to www.slido.com and put in code number 7889 to take you to the survey. It is anonymous and will help the club develop priorities.

President Dick brought the meeting to order at 12:10. As Cynthia Vaughn was at the dentist, he asked Jim Bauer to lead a song. He chose God Bless America.

Announcements

Jim Bauer got up to remind us of the highway clean-up May 6. Meet at 8:45 am at Spudnuts, Jim is buying! He also talked about the inter-club group planning some local projects. The first one is coming up May 12 and 13, as Rotary helps with the collection of donations of food for a joint benefit for the Food Bank and ARC of Tri-cities. Jim will put out more information at next week's meeting. He added that if anyone had an idea for a joint local project let him know.



PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Judy Addis (2S)(B)

Steve Arneson (1R)

Jeremy Asmus (2S)

Jim Bauer (4S)

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 (2S)

Jan Griffin (1S)

Pat Haggerty

Leslie Hawkins (2S)

Diahann Howard

Jan Jackson (2S)

Larry D. Jecha

Darrel Johnsen (2S)

Roy Keck

Scott Keller

Shelley Kennedy

Phillip Koech

Art D. Kohler (D)(B)

Dave Larkin (D)

Pamela Larsen (4S)(B)

Bob D. Larson (4S)(B)

Phil Lemley (2S)

Tim Lewis (3S)

Yosen Liu (1S)

Larry Lowry (3S)(B)

Mike McAndrew (1S)

Jerry J. McGuire (2S)(B)

Kathy Miller (5S)

Robert D. Nichols (1S)

Debbie Nogueras

Greg Oberg (4S) (B)

Thomas M. O'Brien (2S)

Jon M. Putz (6S)

Cindy Reents (1S)

Dick Richter (2S)

Robert Rivera

Pete Rogalsky (1S)

Gary Scofield (4S)(B)

Anjan K. Sen (1S)

Chris Senske (1S)

Rick Schulte

Bill R. Siefken (1R)

Mike Sinclair

Mark Smith (5S)(B)

Bob Tibbatts (1S)

Sam R. Volpentest (2R)(B)

Tom Watkins (D)(B)

Ken Williams (6S)

Hal Williamson (DD)(B)

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

Officers

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Club Service.....Pat Hollick

Community Service.....Roy Keck

International Service.Pete Rogalsky

New Generations.....Jan Jackson

Fellowship & Fund Raising.Cynthia Vaughn

Chris Turner and Jamie from the Mid-Columbia Rotaract Club came up to talk about their upcoming fundraiser. They are hosting the “Kickoff to an Endless Summer” in Downtown Kennewick May 20, from 4 to 9 pm. Just \$30 gets all you can eat seafood and barbecue, door prizes lawn games and more. It benefits Autism Help Group.



Visitors & Guests

Tim noted we had no visiting Rotarians except our Rotaract folks but there were two visitors. Gary Scofield had Bruce Carlisle, a former member recently retired from PNNL who is considering rejoining the group. Danielle Kleist brought her colleague Jordyn Creighton.

New Member Application

On Tuesday, April 25, the Richland Rotary Club Board approved Bruce Carlisle for club membership, pending the club publication requirement, orientation, etc. Bruce recently retired from PNNL and his classification is currently being determined. Bruce is sponsored by Gary Scofield and was a former member of our club. Please provide written or emailed notification to Blaine Carr, Membership Chair, within the next 7 calendar days if you believe Bruce Carlisle should not become a member of the Richland Rotary Club.

50/50

Tim Lewis announced there was 22 in the pot. He had Jamie draw, and she pulled his ticket. No white chip, however. Chris Meiers got the \$10

Program

Dick started things off talking about the photos on each table, of a clock. This is a Rotary item that the club would like to put in at John Dam Plaza. Diahann spoke to the City and they were happy to have it. He also passed around photos of three types of trailers that could be used as beverage service as a fundraiser. Dick relayed that Rotary International was concerned about membership declines and was revising some rules to make retaining and recruiting members easier. For one, a club no longer must terminate a member for 4 consecutive absences and attendance requirements can be lowered by the clubs. He noted discussion at one meeting of two avenues of service. One is to just attend meetings, enjoy the fellowship and write a nice check to help out. The other is attend as much as you can and get involved in the projects, no check required. Dick said there is a place for everyone, at whatever level of involvement you wanted to do. To try and get more younger members, the club recently lowered dues for those under 40 to \$50 per quarter as well as lowering the initiation fee.

Diahann stepped up to talk about plans for reorganizing the meetings. Starting in July we will have a breakfast meeting on the first meeting of



the month, and make the last meeting each month an early evening social hour. Bring your spouse and drop in for a beverage!

She noted the cost of the proposed clock would be \$21,000 plus extra to put it in place and we needed to come up with that by using existing funds or raising money. She will get a more complete estimate for the installation. She has asked the City to provide the electrical power for it. She also supports the beverage trailer, but apparently, it is more difficult to be able to serve alcoholic beverages. She did plan on getting T-shirts for members to wear. She said she wanted it to look like a huge family at Disneyland when we go to events.

Another project the city mentioned to her was getting a train at the playground, like the one in Kennewick. That is future project. She also asked if someone would come forward to chair the Tri-Citizen of the Year for our Club.

In the discussion, several members said we should use the built up funds for the clock, rather than doing special fundraising. Jon Putz said we needed more people to volunteer. Larry Lowry added we were signing a contract with the Duck Race organization to provide the course installation and tear down for the next two years, so people better turn out to help. We get \$5000 in return for the effort.

Richland Rotary Members

Judy Addis (7/89)	Art Kohler (2/87)	Tom Watkins (9/11)
Steve Arneson (3/02)	Dave Larkin (4/04)	James Watson (4/12)
Jeremy Asmus (10/07)	Pam Larsen (2/95)	Ken Williams (12/00)
James Bauer (1/09))	Bob Larson (6/90)	Hal Williamson (4/88)
Bob Best (4/90)	Phil Lemley (6/06)	Mike Winegardner (11/09)
Tom Bock (3/76)	Tim Lewis (10/03)	Jacqui Wright (12/13)
Gordon Bopp (5/04)	Yosen Liu (1/91)	
Blaine Carr (12/09)	Larry Lowry (10/05)	
David Chevey-Reynaud (4/17)	Mike McAndrew (2/07)	
Travis Clifton (10/16)	Patrick McBurney (6/09)	
Tom Cowan (4/80)	Jerry McGuire (3/95)	
Jeanne Dillner (8/01)	Chris Meiers (12/15)	
Barbara French (11/98)	Kathy Miller (6/12)	
Julie Funfar (7/13)	Ian Napier (11/08)	
Linda Gilmore (4/12)	Bob Nichols (8/97)	
Jan Griffin (9/00)	Debbie Nogueras (8/15)	
Linda Gustafson (3/08)	Greg Oberg (1/88)	
Al Haggerty (4/12)	Tom O'Brien (11/98)	
Patricia Haggerty (4/12)	Jon Putz (5/81)	
Dewayne Halstad (8/16)	Dick Richter (6/08)	
Leslie Hawkins (11/12)	Robert Rivera (7/09)	
Pat Hollick (8/10)	Pete Rogalsky (7/05)	
Diahann Howard (4/08)	Gary Scofield (2/75)	
Tom Huntington (5/16)	Rick Schulte (6/14)	
Jan Jackson (6/00)	Anjan Sen (11/96)	
Larry Jecha (8/97)	Chris Senske (1/80)	
Darrel Johnsen (8/97)	Bill Siefken (4/87)	
Cynthia Johnson (6/09)	Mike Sinclair (1/11)	
Stan Jones (10/07)	Chris Smith (8/10)	
Roy Keck (10/04)	Mark Smith (3/01)	
Scott Keller (7/02)	Bob Tibbatts (6/03)	
Shelley Kennedy (9/02)	Greg Tripp (6/11)	
Danielle Kleist (3/17)	Cynthia Vaughn (12/14)	
Phillip Koech (8/13)	Sam Volpentest (1/95)	

Honorary Members
Bob DeLorenzo, General James
Mattis, Bob De Lorenzo &
Sam Volpentest

Number of Members
as of July 1, 2016

74

Current Members:
73

Gained:

Dewayne Halstad, Travis Clifton,
Danielle Kleist & David Chevey-
Reynaud

Lost:

Bill McCue, Tom Kirchner, Grant
McCallum, Bing Manawadu &
Jack Zinn



David Chevey-Reynaud returned to the podium to discuss the results coming in from the survey, about 30 responses. The respondents were more than 2 to 1 male to female. More than half have been in the Tri-cities for more than 25 years. Overall satisfaction looks pretty high, but we could work on being more relevant to the community, more projects, communications. When asked what the club was good at, a common answer was the Duck Race. The results will be made available to the members.

Diahann and Dick came back for some discussion. Diahann noted another project she wanted to do was to plant a tree (a request from the District Governor). She would like to contact a Rotary Club in Nagasaki, Japan and getting a tree to plant at the B Reactor. She would like it to be the start of a small garden dedicated to Peace. She also noted the new District Governor is due to be here during the Duck Race, so we want to get her out in a boat catching ducks.

Bill Siefkin noted he was not in favor of the clock idea as it provided no real service to the community. The money could be better used. He would also like to propose some clean-up work along the river, particularly near the Leslie Groves Park Snyder boat ramp. Bob Larson added he would like to do a fundraiser with the other Tri-City clubs to raise money for Habitat house. If we could get matching grants, we might be able to make the \$96k needed for a complete house. Jim Bauer noted that RI doesn't do matching grants for buildings, but maybe we could get something from the District.

Further comments on the clock were that it was a nice way to get some visibility in the community, to it was a monument to ourselves, not a benefit to the community. A vote by show of hands indicated overwhelming support for the clock idea.

Jan Griffin said clocks in town squares served a purpose 100 years ago, but not so much now, but she really liked the Peace Garden idea.

C. Mark, on the subject of community recognition complemented those keeping up the club Facebook page (thank you Cynthia with help from C. Mark and Diahann). It has 420 followers and many hits each week. C. Mark also reiterated the need for one or two volunteers to work on the newsletter or we will have gaps in our coverage.

Jerry McGuire asked if the club followed up on members that have left the club to find out what caused them to resign. Diahann said there was some follow-up, but she would like to do some in-depth research.

Rotary win of the Week

Cynthia Vaughn arrived during the meeting, but wanted to follow up on her request last week about donations for lice medication for an outbreak at a Richland elementary school. She was willing to pick up medicine if anyone wanted to donate cash. Her post just after the meeting on facebook said members contributed nearly \$400 for the medication and then Walgreens offered 3 packages for the price of two with a promotional program sign-up. Cynthia was able to take a large box completely full to the school. The counselor noted a student had just been in asking for the medication. Yea Cynthia!!

Hals Humor

One of our interns asked another if she was planning to sign up for the company's 401(k).

"I'm considering it," replied the second intern.

Later, the first intern approached me looking concerned.

"I did the math," she said, "and 401K is almost 250 miles. She'll never make it!"