

Speaker Schedule for May

3rd – Kevin Smith, Office of River Protection
10th – Rick Schulte, Scholarship Luncheon
17th – Kathy Lange, Arts Center Task Force

Preliminaries

President Larry called the meeting to order, and Cynthia Vaughn led the club in the singing of the National Anthem, with surprisingly good results!

Visitors and Guests

There were no visiting Rotarians today, but Tom Huntington, guest of Phil Lemley, was visiting again this week, and we look forward to his becoming a member soon. Larry Lowry also announced the death of Dick Petty, a longtime member of the Richland Rotary club.

Announcements

Jan Jackson said that the Scholarship Committee would have a short meeting at his table after the close of our meeting. Chris Smith reflected on the Tri-Citian of the Year dinner, held last week, saying it was fun event, with lots of familiar faces, and a great service by our Rotary club and others, to spotlight those who have



given so much to our communities.

Kathy Miller announced that Banner Bank will again be Sponsor of the Mid Columbia Duck Race, and hopes to turn over the check shortly. Also, she said she had an opening for a bank



manager position, and asked the club members to think about referring colleagues or others they know, who might be a good candidate for this position. Please contact Kathy with your referrals.

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 (5S) Thomas A. Cowan (4S)(B) Bob De Lorenzo (D)(B) Jeanne Dillner (2S) Barbara French (D) Julie Funfar Linda Gilmore (28) Jan Griffin (1S) Pat Haggerty Leslie Hawkins (1S) Diahann Howard Jan Jackson (2S)

Larry D. Jecha Darrel Johnsen (2S) Roy Keck Scott Keller Shelley Kennedy Tom Kirchner (1R)(B) Phillip Koech Art D. Kohler (D)(B) Dave Larkin (D) Pamela Larsen (4S)(B) Bob D. Larson (4S)(B) Phil Lemley (2S) Tim Lewis (2S) Yosen Liu (1S) Larry Lowry (1S)(B) Bing Manawadu Mike McAndrew (1S) Grant McCallum (3S) Bill McCue (1S)

Jerry J. McGuire (B) Kathy Miller (5S) Robert D. Nichols Debbie Nogueras Greg Oberg (4S) (B) Thomas M. O'Brien (2S) Jon M. Putz (5S) Cindy Reents (1S) Dick Richter (1S) Robert Rivera Pete Rogalsky (1S) Gary Scofield (4S) (B) Anjan K. Sen (1S) Chris Senske (15) **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 (5S) Hal Williamson (DD)(B)) Jack D. Zinn (4S) (B) Benefactor (D) Diamond PHF (D) Dib. Diamond PHF (R) Ruby (#R) Multiple Ruby (S) Sapphire (#S) Multiple Sapphires

Officers

President	Larry Lowry
President Elect	Dick Richter
Secretary	Bob Tibbatts
Treasurer	Kathy Miller
Foundation Treasurer.Mike Winegardner	
Past President	Linda Bauer

Directors

Meeting Service.....Larry Jecha Club Service....Robert Rivera Community Service...Pat Haggerty International Service.Pete Rogalsky New Generations......Jan Jackson Fellowship & Fund Raising.Linda Gilmore Larry Christiansen said that the sign-up sheets for volunteering at Kids Digz Rigs event, that were sent around to the club members a few weeks ago, were misplaced, so he is here again, asking for Rotarians to sign up to help with parking on either Saturday or Sunday, 5/21 or 22nd. Once you've put your name and email down, you'll get an email message directing you to sign up on-line for a shift.



Stan Jones said there would be an Open House this Saturday, from 10 to 2, at the Coast Guard station at Clover Island, which is open to all members of the public.

Mike Winegardner said as Treasurer for the Foundation he was asking for our club support for a goal that all of our members this year become sustaining members, which means they have donated at least \$100 during the year, to the Foundation Annual Fund or to Polio Plus. The monies donated to the Annual Fund come back in part to our District, and ultimately to the clubs for support of service projects. Mike then called up Larry Lowry and presented him with his second sapphire and second Paul Harris award. Great job, Larry! Larry also commented on the Tri-Citian of the Year event saying next year was our clubs' turn



to manage it. He noted that C. Mark Smith will be looking for some help on that.

50/50

Tim Lewis said there was \$27 in the pot, and Jim Bauer got the first number, and elected to take the \$10 consolation prize. Kathy Miller got the second number, but drew the wrong chip!

Judge Diahann Howard

Judge Diahann started by guizzing tables and members about baseball trivia, and the answers demonstrated a mixed result in our knowledge of teams, players and baseball history. She thanked Chris Smith for his report on the Tri-Citian of the Year dinner, and gave kudos to Robert Rivera and Goose River Winery for providing the wine for this event. Ian Napier donated for his election to the Board of TRIDEC, although he seemed a little fuzzy on the details. In asking the members to speak to the best thing that had happened to them in the past week, the response was muted, although Jim Bauer said he was able to sell his trailer and truck, continuing his streak of strong sales in the past month via Craig's List. Blaine Carr said that a ladder, hedge trimmer and gloves



don't always come together well, leading to some stitches recently, but no fingers lost! Larry Jecha donated for a new Subaru and Chris Smith for a new motorcycle. Cynthia Vaughn said there was an exclusive concert of "Miss Manners on Music", presented by herself and Lara Pegasus, as a fund raiser for the Mid-Columbia Mastersingers on Friday 5/13 at 7:00 pm. Cynthia left some flyers, and those interested can contact Wendy@ColumbiaMastersingers.org for more details. Judging was closed by a quote that "it's supposed to be hard, because if it was easy it would already be done", coming from "A League of Their Own".

Program

Stan Jones introduced Laura Hastings, who was here to speak about Hands In for Hands On, a movement to develop a Children's museum or center in the Tri-Cities. Laura is a native of Missouri, and received a Master's in Art History. She's been living in Pasco with her husband and two children, and in recent years began to visit different children's museums around the Northwest, and became more interested in bringing that experience to the Tri-Cities. Challenged by her husband to get involved and build on her interest, she's become involved in Hands In for Hands On organization. She said that museum label might seem a bit formal, but different types of children's exhibits, discovery



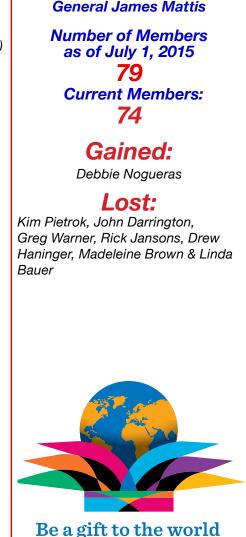
centers have been started up, to spark that natural curiosity that children have. An interactive exhibit can engage children, and hold their attention, teaching them without their awareness that this fun can be a learning experience too. She stated that there are 30 million visits to Children's Museums across the country, 65% of them in urban areas, and 35% focusing on early childhood experiences

Richland Rotary Members Judy Addis (7/89) Phil Lemley (6/06)

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Honorary Members Bob DeLorenzo, Jack Zinn & for very young children. About 2/3 of the exhibits are permanent and 1/3 are traveling exhibits. The themes of their exhibits range from agriculture, energy, transportation, to history and culture and science. Ms. Hastings related that her own interest in art started from a visit to the Capitol Building in Missouri, where she saw the Thomas Hart Benton murals on the walls. She is looking to build something to light the same kind of spark in children who visit.

Laura said the group is bringing in a traveling exhibit this summer from the Oregon Museum of Science & Industry (OMSI, in Portland) "See the World from a Satellite", with a theme centered on the view from space. The exhibit will be open on Saturdays 12-4 and on Thursdays 9-1, from late June to early September. They will also do a Jedi Academy for the children. For this first two years of summer operations HiHO have received use of 1500 square feet at Columbia Basin College at the Planetarium. They hope to find some temporary space by 2018 and start work on a permanent location by 2020. They welcome volunteers, and support of the community. They have raised about 80% of the cost of the new exhibit, most of which goes to packing and shipping of the exhibit to here. Several businesses and clubs, including other Rotary clubs, have stepped in to assist the development of this resource serving our children. For more information, go to www.hihotricities.com or email hihotricities@charter.net.

Hal's Humor

Thank you for your latest submission to the Institute, labeled '93211-D, layer seven, next to the clothesline post... Hominid skull.' We have given this specimen a careful and detailed examination, and regret to inform you that we disagree with your theory that it represents conclusive proof of the presence of Early Man in Charleston County two million years ago. Rather, it appears that what you have found is the head of a Barbie doll, of the variety that one of our staff, who has small children,

believes to be 'Malibu Barbie.' It is evident that you have given a great deal of thought to the analysis of this specimen, and you may be quite certain that those of us who are familiar with your prior work in the field were loathe to come to contradict your findings. However, we do feel that there are a number of physical attributes of the specimen, which might have tipped you off to its modern origin:

1. The material is molded plastic. Ancient hominid remains are typically fossilized bone.

2. The cranial capacity of the specimen is approximately 9 cubic centimeters, well below the threshold of even the earliest identified protohominids.

3. The dentition pattern evident on the skull is more consistent with the common domesticated dog than it is with the ravenous man-eating Pliocene clams you speculate roamed the wetlands during that time.

This latter finding is certainly one of the most intriguing hypotheses ever submitted to this institution, but the evidence seems to weigh rather heavily against it. Without going into too much detail, let us say that:

1. The specimen looks like the head of a Barbie doll that a dog has chewed on.

2. Clams don't have teeth.

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