

RICHLAND ROTARY REACTOR

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 • Meetings every Tuesday at 12:10 p.m.
 Red Lion Hotel (Hanford House)
 • Charter 7390 • District 5080 • Club ID#262

Speaker Schedule for June

14th – Larry Lowery/Dick Richter Awards Dinner
 (No luncheon today)
 21st – Wahed Abdul, Waste Treatment Plant
 28th – Craig Leibler ESGR

Preliminaries

President Larry called the meeting to order and asked Julie Funfar to lead the song. She wanted to do something to recognize the birthday of the recently deceased singer Prince, but figured that wouldn't work for our group. It turns out this is also Dean Martin's birthday, so we sang "That's Amore" along with a recording by the King of Cool.

Visitors

Larry Jecha announced Jeff Daniels was visiting from Columbia Center, but no guests were present.

Larry Lowry called out to Ken Williams who walked in after the bell starting the meeting, but said he would over look it his being late.

Ken said he would have been on time but was escorting a fine lady, Barbara French.

Announcements

Dick Richter again had placed pieces of paper on each table to RSVP for the Installation Dinner. It is being held Tuesday June 14 (in place of a regular meeting).

We meet at 6 pm at the Event Center at Sunset Gardens (Cemetery Road off 240 near Swift Blvd). The slips he collected 2 weeks ago were lost so if you responded then, please do it again. He needs the head count today for the dinner caterer.



Chris Smith got up for Shelley Kennedy, who couldn't make it today. She wanted to remind

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 (2S) 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 Noguera 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 (1S) Rick Schulte Bill R. Siefken (1R) Mike Sinclair Mark Smith (5S) (B) Bob Tibbatts (1S)
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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
 (DD) Dbl. Diamond PHF
 (R) Ruby
 (#R) Multiple Ruby
 (S) Sapphire
 (#S) Multiple Sapphires

Officers

PresidentLarry Lowry
 President Elect.....Dick Richter
 Secretary.....Bob Tibbatts
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 Foundation Treasurer.Mike Winegardner
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 Club Service.....Robert Rivera
 Community Service...Pat Haggerty
 International Service.Pete Rogalsky
 New Generations.....Jan Jackson
 Fellowship & Fund Raising.Linda Gilmore

folks that there is still a need for a live-in helper for Madeleine Brown's husband. Their daughter will be going back to school soon and he needs some extra assistance beyond the visiting nurse. If you know anyone who might be interested, please let Shelley or Chris know.

Mike Winegardner announced that the club was making sure that we met the Rotary goal of a donation by "every member every year" to the foundation. The club will send \$10 in for any member that has not donated to the foundation this year.

50/50

Gary Scofield told us there was \$96 in the pot today. Mike Sinclair got the first number, but not the white chip. Roy Keck had the ticket for the \$10 prize.

Judge Stan Jones

Judge Stan noted that yesterday was the 72nd anniversary of the landings at Normandy. This was the beginning of the end of World War II in Europe. He asked if anyone had family members in the battle. There were a couple of hands raised.

Next, Stan moved to June birthdays, which included Larry Jecha, at 76 and Bill McCue at 83. Rotary anniversaries included Jan Jackson, Bob Larson, Phil Lemley, Bob Tibbett's and Prez- to-be Dick Richter.

Ken Williams announced his 25th wedding anniversary is this month.

In brags, Bob Larson waxed poetic about the setting for his grandson's high school graduation in Hawaii, with storms over the nearby mountain and such. The boy said his main aim was to get off the island! Turns out he is going to college at Portland State University, as they offered him a scholarship... of \$500.

Pam relayed that the Student of the month from two weeks ago (Alexis Newman) wanted to go to RYLA, but initially the camp said it had too many attendees from this District. Pam reminded them our club has been sponsoring attendees at RYLA for more than 10 years, and they decided she could come after all.

Larry Lowry was one of those that raised his hand at Stan's opening question about relatives being at the Normandy Invasion. He said his Dad was in a glider, landing in France behind the coast. It took a long time before he wanted to fly again.

Program

Stan Jones introduced our speaker, Colonel Glenn Downing, USAF. Col Downing is from Nevada, Iowa. He was in ROTC himself in college and gained a degree in Aerospace Engineering. He has since added three Masters degrees. While in the Air Force, he has logged over 1800 flight hours in several types of aircraft including C-130 as a navigator "back seat" guy. He currently heads Air Force Detachment 905, the Reserve Officer Training Corp (ROTC) program for Washington State University (WSU). Col Downing noted he was a Rotary member for two years when in Biloxi, Mississippi. Col Downing took over the 905 about 18 months ago.

The Air Force ROTC Program produces about 2000 new officers each year. The Air Force Academy produces about 1000 and the remaining officers come through Officer Candidate training. In addition



to Pullman, this detachment has students in University of Idaho and Lewis-Clarke State College. In the Pacific Northwest, there are also ROTC programs at University of Washington, Portland State University and Oregon State University some of which also serve subsidiary campuses. He said college students join ROTC for several reasons. The top reasons are:

- To earn a college degree
- To get a commission in the Air Force
- To help pay for college

He said they stay with the program because they also enjoy:

- Leadership and teambuilding training and experience
- Service to the community and country
- Life long friendships

Last year he had 104 enrolled in ROTC classes. The highest level was a few years ago at 160. The students maintain an average 3.36 GPA. About 58% are in engineering or other technical programs. The Cadets at Lewis Clarke State College are mainly nurses. About 51% of the Cadets are on scholarships. The goal is to have 75% but funding is a problem. Students wanting to join the unit are evaluated on GPA, standardized test scores and other activities.



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)
Bob Best (4/90)	Larry Lowry (10/05)	Mike Winegardner (11/09)
Tom Bock (3/76)	Bing Manawadu (10/86)	Jacqui Wright (12/13)
Gordon Bopp (5/04)	Mike McAndrew (2/07)	
Blaine Carr (12/09))	Patrick McBurney (6/09)	
Tom Cowan (4/80)	Grant McCallum (9/91)	
Jeanne Dillner (8/01)	Bill McCue (3/94)	
Barbara French (11/98)	Jerry McGuire (3/95)	
Julie Funfar (7/13)	Chris Meiers (12/15)	
Linda Gilmore (4/12)	Kathy Miller (6/12)	
Jan Griffin (9/00)	Ian Napier (11/08)	
Linda Gustafson (3/08)	Bob Nichols (8/97)	
Al Haggerty (4/12)	Debbie Nogueras (8/15)	
Patricia Haggerty (4/12)	Greg Oberg (1/88)	
Leslie Hawkins (11/12)	Tom O'Brien (11/98)	
Pat Hollick (8/10)	Jon Putz (5/81)	
Diahann Howard (4/08)	Dick Richter (6/08)	
Tom Huntington (5/16)	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 Nogueras & Tom Huntington

Lost:

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



Be a gift to the world

The ROTC courses total 16 credit hours and cover introduction and history of the Air force and lots of leadership development. The cadets also have to attend physical training twice a week at 6 am. There are leadership labs Thursday evenings, which provide hands on leadership development projects led by the cadets themselves. They must also do at least one summer training program. They wear uniforms on ROTC class days, twice a week. The Detachment is also involved in campus and community events and activities and support Veterans group and charities.

The Colonel said to succeed a student needs to treat the ROTC more like a job interview than a class to get through, as attitude and involvement are important. By the end of the courses about 36% of the cadets are cut for non-performance. Somewhere between 10 and 25 seniors are commissioned through the unit each year. The commissioning is part of a contract that requires 4 years of service for most programs, but a ten-year commitment for pilots (from the end of training). For those that wash out of the service, they must repay the value of the scholarship (with very easy terms, we were assured) or serve time as an enlisted Airman.

The commissioned second lieutenants join an Air Force with about 64,000 regular officers and 248,000 enlisted staff. There are also Air Force Reserve staff and Air National Guard personnel adding manpower. The force has about 21,000 staff deployed in 179 locations worldwide. The Air Force is about Global Vigilance, Global Reach and Global Power. He said it was the only force in the world that can find someone anywhere in the world and take them out in 30 minutes.

The Colonel was asked how soon were pilots going to be replaced by robots or computers? He said there is already a lot of action using drones. Drone pilots get the same initial training as regular pilots, then do a great deal of flight simulator work before going to specific training for drone use. Drones are used for surveillance and offensive actions. He said he could see a lot of pilot phase out by 2030. He added that any plane that carries people, like the Airlift Command, was always going to use pilots.

Larry Lowry closed with meeting with another reminder there will be no lunch meeting next week, but we meet at 6 pm for the Installation Dinner.

Hal's Humor

Air Force and Army Archrivals

There's a Senior Airman driving from McChord AFB to Ft Lewis, and an Army Corporal driving from Ft Lewis to McChord AFB. In the middle of the night with no other cars on the road they hit each other head on and the cars go flying off in different directions.

The Senior Airman manages to climb out of his car and surveys the damage. He looks at his twisted car and says..."Man, I am really lucky to be alive!"

Likewise the Army Corporal scrambles out of his car and looks at his wreckage. He too says to himself, "I can't believe I survived this wreck!"

The Corporal walks over to the Airman and says, "Hey man, I think this is a sign from God that we should put away our petty differences and live as friends instead of arch rivals"

The Airman thinks for a moment and says, "You know, you're absolutely right! We should be friends. I'm going see what else survived this wreck"

The Airman pops open his trunk and finds an unopened bottle of Jack Daniels.

He says to the Corporal, "I think this is another sign from God that we should toast to our new found understanding and friendship"

The Corporal replies, "You're damn right!" and he grabs the bottle and starts sucking down Jack Daniels. After putting away nearly half the bottle the Corporal hands it back to the Airman and says, "Your turn!"

The Airman twists the cap back on the bottle and says, "No thanks, I think I'll just wait for the cops to arrive."