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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

July Speaker Schedule

16th – Steve Ghan, Climate Change

23rd – Josh Smith, Richland FD: Heart Safe

30th – Fellowship

Preliminaries

President Julie Funfar opened the meeting by calling on Cynthia Vaughn to lead us in singing “America (My Country, ‘Tis of Thee).” Andrew Cook led us in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, and Jan Griffin provided the invocation.

Visitors & Guests

Jaime Heppler attended as a guest of Chris Meiers.

Announcements

Dick Richter, Club Duck Race Chairman, announced that Toyota of Tri-Cities will be putting-up a 2020 Toyota Corolla XLE as this

year’s grand prize. The race will take place on Saturday, October 5th from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM at Columbia Park in Kennewick.

Bob Tibbatts announced Duck Race tickets will be printed and prepared for distribution on Monday 7/22. Further details will be provided during the meeting on 7/16.

Jacqui Wright generously auctioned-off two beautifully decorated gold-leaf encrusted blue boxes from Thailand. Bob Larson won the first for \$12, and Jan Griffin won the second for \$20.

50/50

Gary Scofield noted that there was a grand total of \$77 in the pot today. Robert drew the first number which was 275. Gary had the number.

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Judy Addis (3S)(B)	Darrel Johnsen (3S)	Chris Senske (6R)
Steve Arneson (1R)	Roy Keck	Rick Schulte
Jeremy Asmus (2S)	Phillip Koech	Bill R. Siefken (1R)
Jim Bauer (4MD)(B)	Dave Larkin (D)	Mike Sinclair
Linda Bauer (4MD)(B)	Pamela Larsen (4S)(B)	Mark Smith (6S)(B)
Bob Best (2S)(B)	Bob D. Larson (4S)(B)	Bob Tibbatts (2S)
Tom Bock (1R)(B)	Phil Lemley (2S)	Cynthia Vaughn
Gordon Bopp (1S)	Tim Lewis (3S)	Sam R. Volpentest (2R)(B)
Blaine Carr (6S)	Larry Lowry (3S)(B)	Tom Watkins (D)(B)
Thomas A. Cowan (4S)(B)	Jerry J. McGuire (2S)(B)	Ken Williams (6S)
Bob De Lorenzo (D)(B)	Kathy Miller (5S)	Hal Williamson (4MD)(B)
Jeanne Dillner (2S)	Greg Oberg (4S)(B)	(B) Benefactor
Barbara French (D)	Thomas M. O'Brien (2S)	(D) Diamond PHF
Julie Funfar	Jon M. Putz (6S)	(DD) Dbl. Diamond PHF
Linda Gilmore (2S)	Cindy Reents (1S)	(R) Ruby
Jan Griffin (1S)	Dick Richter (2S)	(#R) Multiple Ruby
Diahann Howard	Robert Rivera	(S) Sapphire
Jan Jackson (2S)	Gary Scofield (4S)(B)	(MD) Major Donor
Larry D. Jecha	Anjan K. Sen (1S)	

Officers

President Julie Funfar
President Elect.....Chris Meiers
Secretary.....Jeanne Dillner
Treasurer.....Dick Richter
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Past President.....Bob Tibbatts

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Fellowship & Fund Raising.....Travis Clifton
Public Relations.....Jeremy Asmus

He went for the pot but came up with a blue chip. He drew number 303, which belonged Mike who took the \$10.

Red Badge to Blue Badge

Andrew Cook graduated from probationary Red Badge status to full-fledged Blue Badge holder.

Judge Jeanne Dillner

Judge Jeanne ran a no-nonsense, straight to business session with Brags and Trivia.



Brags and Confessions

Chris Smith fell off his bike on the way to Rotary. We're sure he could conjure-up some very advanced training wheels in his workshop to prevent a recurrence.

Cynthia and her husband were in Portland on the 4th visiting their son.

Darryl beat Bob Tibbatts and Bob Larson in golf this morning. He also bragged about a European cruise through Italy.

Tom Watkins and his wife celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary. Jaime Heppler's father bought fireworks from a church table at Yoke's which as it turned out were likely illegal. Their 5 year-old miraculously saved them from jail after a run-in with police as they set them off.



Quiz Bowl Trivia Time – Random Audience Participation Edition

September will see a local celebration of the 75th anniversary of the start-up of B Reactor.

Q: What was the purpose of General Leslie Groves (of Leslie Groves Park)? A: To find a site for B Reactor.

Q: What, among other things, was B Reactor notable for? A: The first full scale nuclear reactor to go critical safely.

Q: What are "Termination Winds"? A: Fierce wind-driven sandstorms.

Q: What were Alphabet Houses? A: Dwellings built during WWII in Richland as homes for Hanford Area atomic workers, with various floor plans identified by letters – know as "ABC," "Letter," or "Alphabet" houses.

Q: When Gary was born, what was the daily rate for delivery indicated on the hospital bill? A: \$5.00.

Program

The program today was the Washington Policy Center 2019 Legislative Wrap-up. Chris Cargill, Eastern Washington Office Director of the WPC, gave an engaging presentation on the highs and lows of the legislative year.

The Washington State Legislature convened on January 14th and ended its 2019 session at 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, April 28th, just in time to meet its scheduled closing for the planned 105-day session.

As a result of the 2018 election, Democrats gained a clear majority in both houses of the Legislature. Democrats hold a majority in the Senate of 27 to 22, and a majority in the House of 57 to 41. In addition, under Governor Jay Inslee, Democrats currently hold the Washington governorship, as they have for 34 years, the longest of any state.

Washington is one of 14 trifecta states for Democrats, holding both houses of the Legislature and the governor's office. Nationally, Republicans hold 22 trifecta states, and 14 states have divided government. Highlights from the Washington Policy Institute Legislative Report:

- Lawmakers increased spending by \$8 billion, to \$52.4 billion, an increase of over 17%, the largest single-budget spending increase in 25 years.



Richland Rotary Members

<i>Judy Addis (7/89)</i>	<i>Teri LeBlanc (6/18)</i>
<i>Eric Andrews (9/18)</i>	<i>Phil Lemley (6/06)</i>
<i>Steve Arneson (3/02)</i>	<i>Tim Lewis (10/03)</i>
<i>Jeremy Asmus (10/07)</i>	<i>Eric Livesay (2/18)</i>
<i>Jim Bauer (3/19)</i>	<i>Patrick McBurney (6/09)</i>
<i>Linda Bauer (3/19)</i>	<i>Grant McCallum (4/19)</i>
<i>Bob Best (4/90)</i>	<i>Jerry McGuire (3/95)</i>
<i>Tom Bock (3/76)</i>	<i>Chris Meiers (12/15)</i>
<i>Fred Brink (6/18)</i>	<i>Ian Napier (11/08)</i>
<i>Blaine Carr (12/09)</i>	<i>Greg Oberg (1/88)</i>
<i>David Chevey-Reynaud (4/17)</i>	<i>Tom O'Brien (11/98)</i>
<i>Travis Clifton (10/16)</i>	<i>Cynthia Reents (6/09)</i>
<i>Andrew Cook (3/19)</i>	<i>Dick Richter (6/08)</i>
<i>Claire Cox (6/19)</i>	<i>Robert Rivera (7/09)</i>
<i>Jeanne Dillner (8/01)</i>	<i>George Sanders (8/18)</i>
<i>Richard Evans (11/18)</i>	<i>Rick Schulte (6/14)</i>
<i>Kristy Fargher (7/18)</i>	<i>Gary Scofield (2/75)</i>
<i>Bob Ferguson (3/18)</i>	<i>Anjan Sen (11/96)</i>
<i>Barbara French (11/98)</i>	<i>Chris Senske (1/80)</i>
<i>Julie Funfar (7/13)</i>	<i>Mike Sinclair (1/11)</i>
<i>Linda Gilmore (4/12)</i>	<i>Chris Smith (8/10)</i>
<i>Jan Griffin (9/00)</i>	<i>Mark Smith (3/01)</i>
<i>Linda Gustafson (3/08)</i>	<i>Rebecca Thornton (9/18)</i>
<i>Diahann Howard (4/08)</i>	<i>Bob Tibbatts (6/03)</i>
<i>Tom Huntington (5/16)</i>	<i>Cynthia Vaughn (12/14)</i>
<i>Jan Jackson (6/00)</i>	<i>Sam Volpentest (1/95)</i>
<i>Larry Jecha (8/97)</i>	<i>Tom Watkins (9/11)</i>
<i>Darrel Johnsen (8/97)</i>	<i>Ken Williams (12/00)</i>
<i>Roy Keck (10/04)</i>	<i>Hal Williamson (4/88)</i>
<i>Danielle Kleist (3/17)</i>	<i>Rick Wilson (6/19)</i>
<i>Phillip Koech (8/13)</i>	<i>Mike Winegardner (11/09)</i>
<i>Dave Larkin (4/04)</i>	<i>Jacqui Wright (12/13)</i>
<i>Pam Larsen (2/95)</i>	<i>Joan Wright (3/18)</i>
<i>Bob Larson (6/90)</i>	

Honorary Members
Bob DeLorenzo, Tom Cowan & General James Mattis

Current Members:
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- Due to the good economy, officials expected enough revenue to fund state programs. Even so, they added some \$2.5 billion in permanent new taxes.
- Lawmakers added another \$4.4 billion to schools, bringing the education spending to \$27.2 billion. Public schools now get about \$16,000 per student, more than most private schools receive.
- Lawmakers broke a 2017 promise not to raise local education taxes, so local levies across the state will likely increase next year.
- Lawmakers also imposed a statewide ban to block charter school families from sharing in local education funding.
- In major victories for the public interest, lawmakers defeated a proposed capital gains income tax and a costly carbon tax on daily energy use.
- Lawmakers also defeated a measure to ban private health insurance and place all residents into a mandatory government health program.

In Closing

President Julie Funfar announced that next week's program will be about Climate Change. The menu will include fried chicken.

Hal's Humor

A woman sees a beautiful tennis bracelet in a jewelry store window.

She goes in and asks the clerk, "I will give you a small deposit today and the rest will be paid when my husband does something unforgivable."

ATTENDANCE, A ROTARY COMMITMENT

Meeting Dates of Local Clubs

Richland Riverside.....	Monday, Noon Anthony's Columbia Pt Richland
Richland.....	Tuesday, Noon: Richland Red Lion
Pasco/Kennewick.....	Wednesday, Noon: Clover Island Inn Kennewick
Columbia Valley Daybreak..	Thursday, 7 am: Tri-Tech Skills Ctr. Kennewick
Columbia Center.....	Thursday, Noon: Bingo Boulevard Kennewick
Tri-Cities Sunrise.....	Friday, 7 am: Red Lion Pasco