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Speaker Schedule for July

14th - Darrel Johnsen: Day of Hope

21st – Judge George Fearing: Court of Appeals Function

28th - Dr. James Conca: Energy Challenges: An Overview

Preliminaries

Dick Richter presided in the place of newly elected and newly absent President Larry Lowry. Jim Bauer led an impromptu version of God Bless America and Chris Smith offered an invocation.

Visitors

Visiting our club today were Linda Bauer's mom, Gladys McClain, and Greg Warner's guest, WSU-TC's director of the College of Nursing, Debbie Nogueras. Debbie was a Rotarian in Miami and wants to rejoin the Rotary family!

Accolades

Dick called up Linda Bauer to present her "Past President' name tag. He called up Julie Funfar, who is now a Paul Harris Fellow. And he called up Judy Addis to present her Major Donor pin, not a new BMW as he first mentioned.

Announcements

Stan Jones is our new program chair and welcomes our suggestions for future programs. Roy Keck has a new Duck Race chair for Richland Rotary –and passed the duck call to Pat Hollick! Speaking of the duck race, watch your email for a notice that you can sign up online for a time slot to sell Duck Race tickets at the Albertsons at Gage and Leslie.

Judge Stan Jones

Birthdays, anniversaries, and Rotary anniversaries a plenty. Madeleine Brown,

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Judy Addis (D)(B) Steve Arneson (5S) Jeremy Asmus (28) Jim Bauer (5S) Linda Bauer (4S) Bob Best (2S)(B) Tom Bock (1R)(B) Gordon Bopp (1S) Madeleine Brown Herb Cahn (4S)(B) Blaine Carr (4S) Thomas A. Cowan (3S)(B) John Darrington Bob De Lorenzo (D)(B) Jeanne Dillner (2S) Barbara French (D) Julie Funfar Linda Gilmore (28) Jan Griffin (1S)

Leslie Hawkins (18) Diahann Howard Jan Jackson (28) Rick Jansons (18) Larry D. Jecha Darrel Johnsen (28) Cindy Johnson (1S) Roy Keck Scott Keller Shelley Kennedy Tom Kirchner (1R)(B) 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 (18) Larry Lowry (1S)(B)

Bing Manawadu Mike McAndrew Grant McCallum (3S) Bill McCue (1S) Jerry J. McGuire (B) Kathy Miller (4S) Robert D. Nichols Greg Oberg (4S) (B) Thomas M. O'Brien (28) Jon M. Putz (58) Dick Richter (1S) Robert Rivera Gary Scofield (4S) (B) Anian K. Sen (18) Chris Senske (1S) Rick Schulte Bill R. Siefken (1R) Mike Sinclair

Mark Smith (5S) (B)

Bob Tibbatts (1S))
Sam R. Volpentest (2R)(B)
Gregory T. Warner (2S)
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

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Diahann Howard were two of the birthday girls. Bill Siefkin celebrates 66 years of wedded bliss this month. Chris Smith celebrates 36 years with his bride, and Stan Jones celebrates his 37th anniversary. Julie Funfar has been a Rotarian 2 years this month. In the bragging department, Ian Napier became a U.S. citizen on July 4. Hal Ellner's daughter-in-law is now a Paul Harris Fellow. Linda Bauer won a victory in blocking the marijuana farm proposed for the property next to the Bauer's. Jim Bauer related the OTHER news for the Bauer family – they hosted their daughter's wedding on July 4! Pam celebrated the victory of the US Women's soccer team (yay, Hope Solo!) Barbara French bragged the English women beat the Germans.

50-50

The pot was \$143. Stan Jones had the lucky ticket but struck out. Jon Putz got the consolation prize.

Program

Our speaker was Mark Mansperger, a professor of Anthropology at Washington State University, Tri-Cities. Mansperger publishes many newspaper columns and scholarly papers on current socioeconomic and political issues, such as the nature of capitalism in the U.S., health care reform, and the state of democracy.

Mansperger challenged Rotary to think about the growth of plutocracy in America. Plutocracy is the rule of the rich. America started out fairly plutocratic – recall that in the beginning, only property-owning white males could vote! But the franchise expanded to include nearly everyone over the age of 18, and the New Deal established many programs that distributed wealth and limited the actions of bankers and big businesses.

World War 2 is widely acknowledged to bring the Great Depression to an end – but why, exactly? It wasn't war per se. It was the massive federal spending.

The greatest peacetime economic expansion in the US followed, in the very prosperous 50's and 60's. But the pendulum started swinging the other way, and it still is.

Deregulation, tax cuts (mainly for the wealthy), and a long-term assault on government started in the 1980's. Plutocracy is growing in the U.S. Summing up: though the U.S. economy has doubled (measured in current dollars) since 1997, the bottom 80% of people are experiencing stagnant or declining real wages. The elite and their media machine would have people believe the majority of citizens have become lazy moochers. More likely, people with more wealth have used it to rig the economy and political system in their favor and produce vast amounts of propaganda to disguise their activities.



Two sea monsters were swimming around in the ocean, looking for something to do. They came up underneath a ship that was hauling potatoes. Bob, the first sea monster, swam underneath the ship, tipped it over and ate everything on the ship.



A little while later, they came up to another ship, again hauling potatoes. Bob again capsized the ship and eats everything on board.

The third ship they found was also hauling potatoes and Bob once again capsized it and ate everything.

Finally his buddy, Bill, asked him, "Why do you keep tipping over those ships full of potatoes and eating everything on board?"

Bob replied, "I wish I hadn't, but i just can't help myself once I start. Everyone knows you can't eat just one potato ship."

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Lost: 0

