

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 July

26th – Doc Hastings, State of Politics

Preliminaries

President Dick gaveled the meeting to order, and called on Julie Funfar as song leader, and she led the club in the singing of “In the Good Ole Summertime”, which dates from 1903.

Visitors & Guests

Visiting Rotarians included Scott Dudley, District Governor for District 5050, and Dewayne Halstad, from the Centralia, WA Club. Dick invited Scott to do a quick introduction, and Scott said his district was also an international district, with about ½ of the clubs in Washington and the other half in British Columbia. He is from Whidbey Island and his home club is in Oak Harbor. He has spent time with Kees, our governor, and like him he has started his visit of district clubs; 9 so far and about 50 more to go. He shared a poignant story of a visit to a club in Vancouver, BC a year or so ago, which led to

an offer to donate a kidney to the spouse of a club member, who had polycystic kidney disease. Scott turned out to be a perfect match, and the patient had a successful transplant. He said that several members of his family have had polycystic kidney disease, so he wanted to help, and felt that Rotary made this possible.



Announcements

Barbara French reminded the club of the Ring Party Tuesday night at the Columbia Center Club Event Center, beginning at 5:00 pm. Beverages and food will be available, and Duck Race tickets will be distributed.

Linda Gilmore said that she would need tickets shortly as she starts selling at this Friday's

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Judy Addis (2S)(B)	Larry D. Jecha	Jerry J. McGuire (B)	Sam R. Volpentest (2R)(B)
Steve Arneson (1R)	Darrel Johnsen (2S)	Kathy Miller (5S)	Tom Watkins (D)(B)
Jeremy Asmus (2S)	Roy Keck	Robert D. Nichols	Ken Williams (5S)
Jim Bauer (4S)	Scott Keller	Debbie Noguera	Hal Williamson (DD)(B)
Bob Best (2S)(B)	Shelley Kennedy	Greg Oberg (4S) (B)	Jack D. Zinn (4S)
Tom Bock (1R)(B)	Tom Kirchner (1R)(B)	Thomas M. O'Brien (2S)	(B) Benefactor
Gordon Bopp (1S)	Phillip Koech	Jon M. Putz (5S)	(D) Diamond PHF
Blaine Carr (5S)	Art D. Kohler (D)(B)	Cindy Reents (1S)	(DD) Dbl. Diamond PHF
Thomas A. Cowan (4S)(B)	Dave Larkin (D)	Dick Richter (1S)	(R) Ruby
Bob De Lorenzo (D)(B)	Pamela Larsen (4S)(B)	Robert Rivera	(#R) Multiple Ruby
Jeanne Dillner (2S)	Bob D. Larson (4S)(B)	Pete Rogalsky (1S)	(S) Sapphire
Barbara French (D)	Phil Lemley (2S)	Gary Scofield (4S) (B)	(#S) Multiple Sapphires
Julie Funfar	Tim Lewis (2S)	Anjan K. Sen (1S)	
Linda Gilmore (2S)	Yosen Liu (1S)	Chris Senske (1S)	
Jan Griffin (1S)	Larry Lowry (1S)(B)	Rick Schulte	
Pat Haggerty	Bing Manawadu	Bill R. Siefken (1R)	
Leslie Hawkins (1S)	Mike McAndrew (1S)	Mike Sinclair	
Diahann Howard	Grant McCallum (3S)	Mark Smith (5S) (B)	
Jan Jackson (2S)	Bill McCue (1S)	Bob Tibbatts (1S)	

Officers

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 Past President.....Larry Lowr

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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

Market at the Parkway, and would also need help to get the canopy up around 7:30 am on Friday. Kathy Miller said that Banner Bank was proud to be the Duck Race Sponsor for the second year in a row, and tickets would be sold in all branches. She also mentioned that Banner has an opening for a manager at their Richland branch, and said that if any members knew of good, interested candidates, to contact her.



50/50

Tim Lewis announced that there was a whopping \$14 in the pot this week. Dave Larkin got the first number and elected to take the \$10 prize. Jacqui Wright got the second number, but didn't draw the white chip!

Judge Ian Napier

Judge Ian started the judiciary session by identification of the latecomers, and although there were no hands, Gregg Tripp was noted as a late arrival! Ian asked for donations in lieu of pins and badges. Kathy Miller donated for a birthday this month, Chris Smith donated for his 37th wedding anniversary, and Blaine Carr for his 21st anniversary.



In honor of his Scottish heritage, Ian grilled the group on the past weekend's television coverage of the British Open, and the history of its trophy, with scant knowledge among club members. For Brags and Confessions, Jon Putz said he would donate for Ian, and his departure. Ian said he wasn't leaving immediately, but he'd take the donation now. Tim Lewis donated in honor of his grandson who was getting married. Pat Haggerty donated for the honesty and goodness of people at Albertson's, after a credit card she dropped was returned to her. Pam Larsen said she had wonderful days on their boat and a great catch of 18 crab when they pulled their basket from the water.

Jan Griffin was looking forward to a fun time and cooler weather in her upcoming visit to California. Jeanne Dillner donated for a great visit to the state park near Sandpoint. This was originally a training facility in WWII, and the camping spots are the former trainees' quarters. She also said that her Costco credit card has very strict security and will not work outside the Tri-Cities unless you notify them you're leaving the area! The judging was concluded with a table by table quiz of historical dates from the book "100 Big Ideas for Great Inventions", and our incorrect responses resulted in more donations for Rotary service.

Program

Stan Jones introduced today's speaker, Brent Geary, mayor of West Richland. Brent has spent almost 20 years on the City Council, and was elected mayor in 2014. He reminded the club that West Richland was incorporated as a city in 1955, before the City of Richland, and about 1/2 if its land currently is in undeveloped and agricultural usage. Current population is 14,360, up from 4000 residents about 20 years ago. In the past 5 years the population has increased about 3.5% per year, and the assessed valuation recently passed the \$1 billion mark. One of the biggest challenges for West Richland is the retail sales leakage as the city's sales tax revenue is the lowest in the Tri-Cities,

and much of the spending by West Richland residents occurs in Richland and Kennewick. There is also a lack of retail businesses. However, the population growth has increased municipal spending, so the city has been challenged to meet those demands with its current sources of revenue. He noted that you can't maintain a budget on building permits.

He reviewed the plans for development of the Belmont Business District, in the vicinity of Belmont and Keene roads. There was a recent ground breaking for the new Municipal Services Center there, and construction is underway on the new middle school, which is slated for opening in 2017. The city received an IACC Energy Efficiency Award, and national recognition for its complete replacement of city lights with LED lighting, and reduction in electrical costs of more than 60%.



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, 2016

74

Current Members:

74

Gained:

Lost:



Be a gift to the world

There has been construction of an Industrial Water Treatment Facility, which pretreats the effluent from wine production, before releasing it into the municipal sewer facility, and benefits the development of wineries in the Red Mountain area. Brent also outlined changes coming from improvements to the Yakima River Gateway, which will beautify the areas near the bridge, with new restrooms, pathways and an ADA compliant ramp.

Last, he said that review of the city's Comprehensive Plan had started, and there have been meetings to gather public input on the updated plan, so comments and suggestions are welcome. Mayor Geary said that while the City needs more development, especially of commercial and retail businesses, there is no desire to change the rural nature of the city. The hitching post outside of the current City hall will be moved to the new City complex when it is completed!

Hal's Humor

Every night, Frank would go down to the liquor store, get a six-pack, bring it home, and drink it while he watched TV. One night, as he finished his last beer, the doorbell rang. He stumbled to the door and found a six-foot cockroach standing there. The bug grabbed him by the collar and threw him across the room, then left.

The next night, after he finished his 4th beer, the doorbell rang. He walked slowly to the door and found the same six-foot cockroach standing there. The big bug punched him in the stomach, then left.

The next night, after he finished his 1st beer, the doorbell rang again. The same six-foot cockroach was standing there. This time he was kneed in the groin and hit behind the ear as he doubled over in pain. Then the big bug left.

The fourth night Frank didn't drink at all. The doorbell rang. The cockroach was standing there. The bug beat the snot out of Frank and left him in a heap on the living room floor.

The following day, Frank went to see his doctor. He explained events of the preceding four nights.

"What can I do?" he pleaded.

"Not much" the doctor replied. "There's just a nasty bug going around."