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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

## August Speaker Schedule

13th – Tricia MacFarlan, Mirror Ministries

20th – Evelyn Callister, WIT Initiative

30th – Fellowship

## Preliminaries

President Julie Funfar opened the meeting by calling on Robert Rivera to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Travis Clifton delivered the invocation and Cynthia Vaughn led our club in singing “America the Beautiful.” There were no guests and no visiting Rotarians at today’s meeting.

## Announcements

Julie Funfar formally installed Philip Koech as director of the International Service committee as he was unable to attend last month’s Installation



Dinner. Julie also presented Bob Tibbatts with his gold Past President badge. Julie then received her Presiding President badge.

## 50/50

Larry Jecha handled the 50/50 drawing, noting there was \$39 in the pot. Larry’s number was the first one drawn, but he declined taking part in the 50/50 drawing. Another number was drawn which was held by Bob Larson, but Bob was unsuccessful in drawing the white chip. Ian Napier held the consolation prize ticket, for which he received \$10.

## Court is in Session

Ian Napier took his place on the bench as presiding Judge for today’s meeting. Ian recalled it had been some time since he last served as Judge, so he quickly called upon Club members who missed him serving as Judge to place \$1 on the table. However, he immediately followed

## PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Judy Addis (3S)(B)	Roy Keck	Rick Schulte
Steve Arneson (1R)	Phillip Koech	Bill R. Siefken (1R)
Jeremy Asmus (2S)	Dave Larkin (D)	Mike Sinclair
Jim Bauer (4MD)(B)	Pamela Larsen (4S)(B)	Mark Smith (6S)(B)
Linda Bauer (4MD)(B)	Bob D. Larson (4S)(B)	Bob Tibbatts (2S)
Bob Best (2S)(B)	Phil Lemley (2S)	Cynthia Vaughn
Tom Bock (1R)(B)	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)	
Barbara French (D)	Thomas M. O’Brien (2S)	(B) Benefactor
Julie Funfar	Jon M. Putz (6S)	(D) Diamond PHF
Linda Gilmore (2S)	Cindy Reents (1S)	(DD) Dbl. Diamond PHF
Jan Griffin (1S)	Dick Richter (2S)	(R) Ruby
Diahann Howard	Robert Rivera	(#R) Multiple Ruby
Jan Jackson (2S)	Gary Scofield (4S)(B)	(S) Sapphire
Larry D. Jecha	Anjan K. Sen (1S)	(MD) Major Donor
Darrel Johnsen (3S)	Chris Senske (6R)	

## Officers

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

## Directors

Meeting Service.....	Tom O’Brien
International Service.....	Phillip Koech
Community Service.....	Mike Sinclair
New Generations.....	Tom Hunnington
Fellowship & Fund Raising.....	Travis Clifton
Public Relations.....	Jeremy Asmus

by having those Club members who didn't miss him also place \$1 on the table.

With the approach of football season, Judge Ian called upon Club members to boast about their favorite football teams. This was followed by a series of Brags and Confessions. Among the many activities and milestones Club members mentioned was C. Mark Smith's newest book, authored with Bob Ferguson, regarding the history of the Hanford Site and the B Reactor. The book is currently available on Kindle.

Bob Tibbatts mentioned the wonderful European river cruise he and his wife just returned from. Judge Ian then closed out his court session by asking each table a multiple-choice trivia question on a wide range of little-known facts, most of which were answered correctly.

### ***Business Meeting***

Club members then broke into individual Committee meetings and each Committee director provided a summary of their discussions for the Reactor.

### ***International Projects***

The International Projects Committee reviewed the status of their current projects, to include the Kenya Project being handled by the Multi-Club Committee, the Indian Children's Cancer patient medication project, Peru water project participation, Malawi Sanitary Pad project, Mexican Earthquake recovery projects, and other projects upcoming this Rotary Year.

The Mexican project was cancelled by Rotary International but all the other projects are progressing in several different ways. The Committee has not yet identified projects for this Rotary year yet but agreed on actions for the near term and to meet again in a month.

### ***Public Relations/Communications***

Rebecca Thornton is joining the PR Committee and will help with social media, website design and be responsible for press releases. The committee decided to select days of the week members will post on Social Media in order to be more consistent:

Weekend - Monday - Rebecca  
Tuesday - Cynthia  
Wednesday - Jeremy  
Thursday - Julie  
Friday - Eric Livesay

There was discussion about the newsletter and those in attendance would like to look at automating it. The format for the e-newsletter is getting better, so Jeremy will talk to the newsletter committee and then bring a recommendation to the Board. The biggest question is how to format and archive it, but with the updates, it looks good and would save time and be more efficient when it comes to the duplication of posts between the newsletter, the web site and social media.



Eric has video and photo editing skills and tools which may be used for special events like the entrepreneur awards, scholarship, and work projects.

### **Community Services**

The Community Services budget passed by the Board provides for \$8k to Community Funded Projects, \$2k for Works Projects and \$2k for Passion Projects. It was noted the amount for Community Services Funded Projects was less than recent years due to introduction of the Passion Projects budget.

Discussion was held on topics related to projects initiated last year, such as the Richland Beach at Howard Amon, the Rebuilding Mid-Columbia tool trailer, the Chaplaincy Shed and the Richland Fire Department's Heart Safe program. Roy Keck said that the beach project is officially complete. There was a lengthy discussion regarding the Rebuilding Mid-Columbia tool trailer, to be continued after the Multi-Club Service Committee meets in August to discuss the same issue. The



### **Richland Rotary Members**

Judy Addis (7/89)  
Eric Andrews (9/18)  
Steve Arneson (3/02)  
Jeremy Asmus (10/07)  
Jim Bauer (3/19)  
Linda Bauer (3/19)  
Bob Best (4/90)  
Tom Bock (3/76)  
Fred Brink (6/18)  
Blaine Carr (12/09)  
David Chevey-Reynaud (4/17)  
Travis Clifton (10/16)  
Andrew Cook (3/19)  
Claire Cox (6/19)  
Jeanne Dillner (8/01)  
Richard Evans (11/18)  
Kristy Fargher (7/18)  
Bob Ferguson (3/18)  
Barbara French (11/98)  
Julie Funfar (7/13)  
Linda Gilmore (4/12)  
Jan Griffin (9/00)  
Linda Gustafson (3/08)  
Diahann Howard (4/08)  
Tom Huntington (5/16)  
Jan Jackson (6/00)  
Larry Jecha (8/97)  
Darrel Johnsen (8/97)  
Roy Keck (10/04)  
Danielle Kleist (3/17)  
Phillip Koech (8/13)  
Dave Larkin (4/04)  
Pam Larsen (2/95)  
Bob Larson (6/90)

Teri LeBlanc (6/18)  
Phil Lemley (6/06)  
Tim Lewis (10/03)  
Eric Livesay (2/18)  
Patrick McBurney (6/09)  
Grant McCallum (4/19)  
Jerry McGuire (3/95)  
Chris Meiers (12/15)  
Ian Napier (11/08)  
Greg Oberg (1/88)  
Tom O'Brien (11/98)  
Cynthia Reents (6/09)  
Dick Richter (6/08)  
Robert Rivera (7/09)  
George Sanders (8/18)  
Rick Schulte (6/14)  
Gary Scofield (2/75)  
Anjan Sen (11/96)  
Chris Senske (1/80)  
Mike Sinclair (1/11)  
Chris Smith (8/10)  
Mark Smith (3/01)  
Rebecca Thornton (9/18)  
Bob Tibbatts (6/03)  
Cynthia Vaughn (12/14)  
Sam Volpentest (1/95)  
Tom Watkins (9/11)  
Ken Williams (12/00)  
Hal Williamson (4/88)  
Rick Wilson (6/19)  
Mike Winegardner (11/09)  
Jacqui Wright (12/13)  
Joan Wright (3/18)

**Honorary Members**  
**Bob DeLorenzo, Tom Cowan &**  
**General James Mattis**

**Current Members:**  
**67**





other two projects will be addressed by the appropriate sub-committees as new business for this Rotary year.

Closing out the meeting was an open discussion led by Jan Griffin regarding the need for communication between the Richland Rotary Board, the Community Services Committee and the Multi-Club Service Committee when addressing overlapping projects. Andrew Cook proposed looking into creating an electronic information distribution process to keep track of the status of various issues affecting all of the interested parties.

### **New Generations**

This Committee discussed the High School Academic Scholarship and Nursing Scholarship selection timelines. The group agreed the current timeline of high school scholarship applications due at the end of March and scholarship recognition for recipients in May; and Nursing Scholarship applications due the end of April with their recognition at a meeting in June or July worked well. The next topic discussed was the selection process for the two scholarships with brainstormed suggestions for potential changes. The following ideas are based on our feedback and what fellow Rotarians shared with the Committee, but no decisions about changes were made:

### **High School Academic Scholarships:**

- Using a 10 point vs. a 5 point scale for rating students' application categories,
- Giving more weight to financial need with the challenge being how to get information to identify this need,
- Consider some of the scholarships be designated for high school students pursuing vocational/technical training, This number would be dependent on total scholarships available.

### **Nursing Scholarships:**

- Consider having one of these scholarships be for EMT career path students.

The use of electronic applications vs. paper copies to review and select scholarship awards was also discussed. It was agreed committee members need more time to review applications before meeting as a committee to make our final selections. Electronically scanned applications might be the best option, especially if the Committee has more than 20 applications total to review, which occurred this year. The Committee also plans to meet in October or November to finalize plans for 2020.

### **Meeting Services**

Games: There was a discussion about new games and introducing something different to compliment the weekly 50/50. We will try playing BINGO on business meeting days to bring in more Foundation donations.

**Greeters:** The Red Badge members will be cycled through as Greeters more often to help them earn Blue Badge points and get their book signed.

### **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

**Programs:** Discussion took place about types of programs and our new speaker information letter and handout to help speakers be prepared and feel comfortable.

Meeting Note Takers: Additional volunteers are needed to assist with meeting note-taking and weekly preparation of the Rotary Reactor.

### ***Stan Jones***

We received notice that Stan Jones, long time Richland Rotarian, has passed away. Condolences to his family and friends.

### ***Final Word***

Next weeks lunch: Spaghetti and Meatballs (GF pasta available upon request)

### ***Hal's Humor***

Dan goes to see his supervisor in the front office.

"Boss," he says, "we're doing some heavy house cleaning at home tomorrow and my wife Mary Ellen needs me to help with the attic and the garage, moving and hauling stuff."

"We're short handed Dan." The boss replies, "I can't give you the day off."

"Thanks boss," says Dan. "I knew I could count on you."