

# **RICHLAND** **ROTARY REACTOR**

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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

## **Speaker Schedule for September**

6th – Micheal Novakovich, Tri-Cities Cancer Ctr  
13th – Susan Leckband, Hanford Advisory Board  
20th – Doug Shoup, DOE  
27th – Michelle MacArther, Lamb Weston

## **Preliminaries**

President Dick gaveled the meeting to order, and called on Cynthia Vaughn to lead us in song. After review of notes and appropriate background “band sounds” the club sang “A Summer Song” by Chad and Jeremy from 1964!

## **Visitors & Guests**

Larry Jecha announced that Visiting Rotarians included Jim Duncan from Walla Walla Noon, and Gail Middleton from Columbia Center, and Guests included Dewayne Halstad, guest of Larry Lowry.

## **Announcements**

Speaking of Larry, he gave the club an update on

our Duck Race ticket sales. To date we have sold 3935 tickets, or about 40% of our total. Jon Putz is still in the lead at 700 tickets sold, but Bob Larson

is moving up fast. Roy Keck said that if anyone wants to sell Duck Race tickets at the Prosser parade on Labor Day, please see him for details. Larry also urged everyone to get the ticket stubs filled completely with name, address and phone, as all of this information is required. We’ve had 6 tickets that were incomplete of the 3900, but we want to make sure all are eligible according to the rules.

Pam Larsen said with the start of the school year, she was again looking for names of seniors who could be recognized, and asked members who had sons or daughters or grandchildren in the senior class to contact her.



## **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 (6S)	(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 (3S)(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**

President .....Dick Richter  
President Elect.....Diahann Howard  
Secretary.....Linda Gilmore  
Treasurer.....Steve Arneson  
Foundation Treasurer.Mike Winegardner  
Past President.....Larry Lowry

## **Directors**

Meeting Service.....Phillip Koech  
Club Service.....Pat Hollick  
Community Service.....Roy Keck  
International Service.Pete Rogalsky  
New Generations.....Jan Jackson  
Fellowship & Fund Raising.Cynthia Vaughn

Phil Lemley said that he was on the Board of Richland Seniors Association, who have about 600 members who give support to programs, building and equipment at the Community Center. His son had collected pennies in a glass jar for many years, and the association is raffling off the jar, and Phil has raffle tickets for \$5.00.



Bob Tibbatts said that Linda Gilmore had done a great job setting up for Duck Race ticket sales at the Friday Farmer's market in recent weeks, but won't be able to do that this week or next few weeks. Bob said he would be able to set up the booth, but asked for volunteers who could sell at the market in upcoming weeks.

Cynthia said her Mac doesn't allow her to save song lyrics to a thumb drive that can be used with the club laptop, so she asked if a member would be willing to receive the lyrics on their PC, download to a thumb drive, and bring that to the meeting so the lyrics could be displayed on the screen, eliminating all the paper copies each week. Barbara French said she's been involved in the making of a documentary "Desert Cathedral", which will debut at the Fairchild Cinemas on September 16th, which includes an appearance by the director. This film, based on a true story, will be screened 9/16-9/27, and tickets can be purchased online.



### **50/50**

Gary Schofield said there is \$90.00 in the pot. Tom O'Brien got the first number, but drew the wrong chip. Steve Arneson had the second number, and won the \$10 consolation prize.

### ***New Member Induction***

Dick then called up Dewayne Halstad for induction as a member of our club. Larry Lowry said he was pleased to welcome Dewayne, who came from the Centralia, WA club, having served as club secretary for two years, and President in the past year. He grew up in California, and joined the Salvation Army at 16, and has spent all of his adulthood with that organization, except for 5 years during which he worked for Nike in Oregon. Dewayne was presented with his red badge, and welcomed to our club!



### ***Judge Ken Williams***

Judge Ken started his judicial session with a description of the flood that occurred at his home last Tuesday, the result of a failure of a pump, which caused water to leak, mold to form, and then drywall to be replaced. He encouraged the members to recognize the many days of celebration that mark most every day of the year, and asked that \$2.00 be placed on the table for these celebrations. He cited National Dog Day on 8/26, with a photo of his two "best dogs", National Chop Suey Day on 8/28, National Toasted Marshmallow Day on 8/30 (don't you love those S'mores?), and National Macademia Nut Day on 9/4, the last 3 illustrated by product



distribution! Last, he presented National Matchmaker Day which will occur tomorrow, and tried playing matchmaker for his daughter. Tom O'Brien suggested Ken himself donate for this extensive session, which Ken did, bringing one of our most unusual judging sessions in recent memory to a close!

### **Program**

Diahann Howard then introduced today's speaker, Kim Shugart, Senior Vice President at Visit TriCities. She is responsible for providing leadership in all aspects of tourism development for the Tri-Cities and surrounding regions, including wine tourism, convention and sport sales, media outreach and marketing, and has been an employee with the Tri-Cities Visitor and Convention Bureau since 2003. Kim said that the mission of Visit Tri-Cities is to promote, market, and sell the region as the preferred destination to visitors. She discussed the impact that tourism has on our area, as \$432.9 million



### **Richland Rotary Members**

Judy Addis (7/89)	Pam Larsen (2/95)	Sam Volpentest (1/95)
Steve Arneson (3/02)	Bob Larson (6/90)	Tom Watkins (9/11)
Jeremy Asmus (10/07)	Phil Lemley (6/06)	James Watson (4/12)
James Bauer (1/09))	Tim Lewis (10/03)	Ken Williams (12/00)
Bob Best (4/90)	Yosen Liu (1/91)	Hal Williamson (4/88)
Tom Bock (3/76)	Larry Lowry (10/05)	Mike Winegardner (11/09)
Gordon Bopp (5/04)	Bing Manawadu (10/86)	Jacqui Wright (12/13)
Blaine Carr (12/09))	Mike McAndrew (2/07)	
Tom Cowan (4/80)	Patrick McBurney (6/09)	
Jeanne Dillner (8/01)	Grant McCallum (9/91)	
Barbara French (11/98)	Bill McCue (3/94)	
Julie Funfar (7/13)	Jerry McGuire (3/95)	
Linda Gilmore (4/12)	Chris Meiers (12/15)	
Jan Griffin (9/00)	Kathy Miller (6/12)	
Linda Gustafson (3/08)	Ian Napier (11/08)	
Al Haggerty (4/12)	Bob Nichols (8/97)	
Patricia Haggerty (4/12)	Debbie Noguerras (8/15)	
Dewayne Halstad (8/16)	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)	

**Honorary Members**  
**Bob DeLorenzo, Jack Zinn & General James Mattis**

**Number of Members  
as of July 1, 2016**

**74**

**Current Members:**

**75**

**Gained:**

Dewayne Halstad

**Lost:**



dollars are spent in Benton and Franklin counties by visitors, with \$16.5 million paid in sales taxes (doesn't include hotel taxes), and generating 5900 jobs. The services of Visit Tri-Cities are free. The organization is funded by a Tourism and Promotion assessment, local taxes, and the 791 members in Visit Tri-Cities.

Visit Tri-Cities supports the Tri-Cities Sports Council, Rivershore Enhancement Council and the Wine Tourism Council, which was started just three years ago. Sports are a huge growth area; both professional and school based sports events and brings many to the Tri-Cities. The best known of their activities is the Three Rivers Convention Center which brought in 228 events, 116,593 visitors and \$31 million. They maintain an interactive display at the airport, and publish a Wine and Arts map, and Shop and Dine guide. Kim commented on the 4 new hotels that opened in 2015 and the 3 more under construction in 2016, which can serve the increasing visits to the Tri-Cities, expansion of the Tri-Cities Airport, and the impact of the new Manhattan Project National Park established last year, which is expected to generate 100,000 visits, all contributing to an even brighter future for Tri-Cities tourism.

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

The husband and wife were traveling on holiday in Scotland. As they approached Kirkcudbright, they started arguing about the pronunciation of the town. The argument raged until they stopped for lunch. As they stood in the restaurant, the husband asked the guy behind the counter: "Can you please settle an argument between me and my wife? How do you pronounce where we are in?" The guy leaned over the counter and said: "Burrr... gerrr... kiiing."