



**RICHLAND**

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# **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**

**September 24th** – To be determined

**October 1** – Evan Pollock: Boy Scouts

8th – To be determined

15th – Jamie Luce: Boy and Girls club

22nd – To be determined

29th – C. Mark Smith: Volpentest book

## **Preliminaries**

Justin led us in one of Woody Guthrie's dust bowl ballads, "The Great Dust Storm," in remembrance of our own great dust storm over the past weekend. Sans guitar, Justin sang in the manner of Woody, even if most of us had never heard of the song. According to Justin, the song is the opening song in Ken Burns' new documentary about the Dust Bowl.

## **Visiting guests and Rotarians**

Guests included Kim Zirker who was Greg Warner's guest and Dr. Rick Schulte, who was Rick Jansons' guest and also a visiting Rotarian

from Oak Harbor. Lots of visiting Rotarians today, including Bud Knore, Barb Johnson, Eric Coughanour, Dave Haller and John Herrig from Columbia Center, and Fatima Traore from Richland Riverside.

## **Announcements**

President Jeremy reminded us of the Club Fellowship at the Bauer's this Thursday night from 7 to 9, at their home at 28403 S. Clodfelter Rd., in Kennewick. Pete Rogalsky announced a meeting of the International Services Committee at the Richland library. Connie Corcoran promoted Beggars' Banquet to support the Safe Harbor Support Center and My Friend's place on November 15 at the Three Rivers Convention Center. Diahann Howard announced a food drive for the Tri-Cities Food Bank.

Greg Oberg gave us an update on our inbound and outbound exchange students. Our Swiss inbound student, Lukas, it turns out, plays

## **PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS**

Judy Addis (3S) (B)	Diahann Howard	Bing Manawadu	Chris Senske (1S)
Steve Arneson (3S)	Jan Jackson (2S)	Mike McAndrew	Bill R. Siefken (1R)
Jeremy Asmus (1S)	Rick Jansons (1S)	Grant McCallum (3S)	Mike Sinclair
Jim Bauer (2S)	Larry D. Jecha	Bill McCue	Mark Smith (5S) (B)
Linda Bauer (2S)	Darrel Johnsen (2S)	Jerry J. McGuire (B)	Lloyd Swain (5S) (B)
Bob Best (2S) (B)	Cindy Johnson (1S)	Richard L. McLean (5S) (B)	Bob Tibbatts (1S)
Tom Bock (1R) (B)	Roy Keck	Kathy Miller (4S)	Sam R. Volpentest (1R) (B)
Gordon Bopp (1S)	Scott Keller	Robert D. Nichols	Gregory T. Warner (1S)
Dee Burrie	Shelley Kennedy	Greg Oberg (4S) (B)	Tom Watkins (D) (B)
Herb Cahn (4S) (B)	Tom Kirchner (1R) (B)	Marlene Oliver	Ken Williams (4S)
Blaine Carr (2S)	Walt Kirkpatrick (2S) (B)	Thomas M. O'Brien (2S)	Hal Williamson (DD) (B)
Thomas A. Cowan (3S) (B)	Art D. Kohler (3R) (B)	Jon M. Putz (5S)	Keith Woods (2S) (B)
John Darrington	Dave Larkin (3R)	Ed Revell (3S) (B)	Jack D. Zinn (4S)
Bob De Lorenzo (D) (B)	Pamela Larsen (4S) (B)	Dick Richter	(B) Benefactor
Jeanne Dillner (2S)	Bob D. Larson (4S) (B)	Robert Rivera	(D) Diamond PHF
Hal J. Ellner (1R)	Phil Lemley (2S)	Ann Roseberry (1S)	(DD) Dbl. Diamond PHF
Barbara French (D) (B)	Tim Lewis (2S)	George Sanders (2S) (B)	(R) Ruby
Bill Friend (1S)	Yosen Liu (1S)	Gary Scofield (4S) (B)	(#R) Multiple Ruby
Jan Griffin (1S)	Larry Lowry (1S) (B)	Anjan K. Sen (1S)	(S) Sapphire
			(#S) Multiple Sapphires

## **Officers**

President .....Jeremy Asmus  
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Secretary.....Bob Tibbatts  
Treasurer.....Dick Richter  
Foundation Treasurer..Mike Winegardner  
Past President.....Tim Lewis

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Club Service 'A' .....Stan Jones  
Club Service 'B' .....Justin Raffa  
Community Service..Diahann Howard  
Vocational Service...Jeanne Dillner  
International Service.....Jim Bauer  
New Generations.....Open  
Membership Activities....Blaine Carr

the trumpet. One has been purchased for him. Our outbound student is in Japan and making presentations in Japanese. We need a host family for Lukas for April, May, and June.

Linda Gilmore said that Steve Arneson sold a whole book of tickets last Friday at the Farmer's Market.

Greg Warner introduced Kimberly Zirker, a recipient of one of our nursing scholarships who made a great short talk to the club.

Fatima Traore discussed a micro-loan program that she is trying to raise money for to assist Malian women who are suffering from post-polio syndrome years after they have recovered from the disease. She has artwork that she is selling to raise money for the fund. Please contact her for more information.

### **50/50**

There was \$71 in the pot today. Tom Watson had the winning number but decided to take the \$10. Mark Smith had the next correct number but drew the wrong chip out of the bucket.

### **Judge Jon**

Jon Putz had lots of fines in his head when he arrived after two days of orientation regarding health care reform. He fined Justin for the song. He fined the members of the Mike Winegardner Duck race team for selling the fewest tickets of any of the teams so far. He fined the members of the Columbia Center club for sitting together. Then there were fines for last Saturday's football games. Assorted members were fined for not signing Phillip Koech's book. There were other assorted offences, including several new cars, Rick Janson's bragging about his daughter, and Jeanne Dillner bragging about their recent successful SIGN conference.

### **Program**

Our speaker today was Dr. Rick Schulte, the new superintendant of the Richland School District. Dr. Schulte has had an interesting career in teaching in a number of very interesting places, including a small island in the Pacific during his tenure in the Peace Corps.

He came to Richland from Oak Harbor on Whidbey Island. He provided an overview of what he has learned about the RSD since he arrived. The school district is growing. There are 300 additional students this year. More than 1,000 students requested transfers into the district and most were able to be accommodated. We also have more children living under the poverty line. All of these factors cost money. Federal sequestration has made things more difficult and cost the district \$400,000 last year. It faces an \$800,000 short-fall in special education. \$5.6 million in new funds was received from the State of Washington but it was all committed by special strings attached to the funding.



The district is going through a major construction program as a result of the school bond issue that was passed last year. Existing schools are receiving upgrades and three new schools will be built. A new middle school is about two years off. The district will be asking voters to approve its school levy in February.

All in all, Dr. Schulte provided a picture of a school district facing and meeting challenges with confidence and a vision for the future.

### **Hal's Humor**

The lady knocked on the door of her daughter and son-in-law's house. Her grandson came to the door saying, "Hi Granny. Daddy saw you coming. He said that you're all that he needed."

## **Richland Rotary Members**

Judy Addis (7/89)	Stan Jones (10/07)	Dick Richter (6/08)
Steve Arneson (3/02)	Roy Keck (10/04)	Robert Rivera (7/09)
Jeremy Asmus (10/07)	Scott Keller (7/02)	Pete Rogalsky (7/05)
James Bauer (1/09)	Shelley Kennedy (9/02)	George Sanders (10/06)
Linda Bauer (1/09)	Tom Kirchner (3/81)	Gary Scofield (2/75)
Bob Best (4/90)	Walt Kirkpatrick (9/70)	Anjan Sen (11/96)
Tom Bock (3/76)	Phillip Koech (8/13)	Chris Senske (1/80)
George Booth (11/06)	Art Kohler (287)	Bill Siefken (4/87)
Gordon Bopp (5/04)	Dave Larkin (4/04)	Mike Sinclair (1/11)
Madeleine Brown (3/13)	Pam Larsen (2/95)	Chris Smith (8/10)
Dee Burrie (7/92)	Bob Larson (6/90)	Mark Smith (3/01)
Blaine Carr (12/09)	Terri LeBlanc (5/08)	Lloyd Swain (8/89)
Connie Corcoran (8/13)	Phil Lemley (6/06)	Katie Swan (10/11)
Tom Cowan (4/80)	Tim Lewis (10/03)	Matt Sweeza (6/11)
John Darrington (1/11)	Yosen Liu (1/91)	Bob Tibbatts (6/03)
Jeanne Dillner (8/01)	Larry Lowry (10/05)	Greg Tripp (6/11)
Ramez Farag (6/13)	Bing Manawadu (10/86)	Harry Van Dyken (11/11)
Barbara French (11/98)	Mike McAndrew (2/07)	Sam Volpentest (1/95)
Bill Friend (3/09)	Patrick McBurney (6/09)	Greg Warner (3/00)
Don Frigaard (10/12}	Grant McCallum (9/91)	Tom Watkins (9/11)
Julie Funfar (7/13)	Bill McCue (3/94)	James Watson (4/12}
Linda Gilmore (4/12)	Jerry McGuire (3/95)	Ken Williams (12/00)
Jan Griffin (9/00)	Dick McLean (10/85)	Hal Williamson (4/88)
Linda Gustafson (3/08)	Kathy McMullen (1/13)	Mike Winegardner (11/09)
Al Haggerty (4/12)	Kathy Miller (6/12)	Keith Woods (1/97)
Patricia Haggerty (4/12)	Ian Napier (11/08)	Jack Zinn (7/74)
Tom Heidegger (1/09)	Bob Nichols (8/97)	
Pat Hollick (8/10)	Greg Oberg (1/88)	
Diahann Howard (4/08)	Tom O'Brien (11/98)	
Jan Jackson (6/00)	Marlene Oliver (7/10)	
Rick Jansons (10/09)	Kim Pietrok (9/08)	
Larry Jecha (8/97)	Jon Putz (5/81)	
Darrel Johnsen (8/97)	Justin Raffa (12/09)	
Cynthia Johnson (6/09)	Ed Revell (6/08)	

**Honorary Members**  
**Herb Cahn**  
**Bob DeLorenzo**  
**Hal Ellner**

**Number of Members**  
**as of July 1, 2013**  
**93**

**Gained: Julie Funfar,**  
**Connie Corcoran,**  
**Phillip Koech**

**Lost: Rampur Viswanath,**  
**Anne Roseberry,**  
**Vicki Monteagudo**

**Current Members:**  
**93**

