

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 October

4th – Matt Watkins, City of Pasco
 11th – Kate Knutson, Life Flight
 18th – Ann Roseberry, Richland Library
 25th – Colleen French, National Park

Preliminaries

President Dick Richter was again absent, so President-Elect Diahann Howard opened the meeting as she did last week. She called on Cynthia Vaughn, who, assisted by Julie Funfar taught the group an unusual song: Dona Nobis Pacem, which is latin for “Grant us Peace”. It comes from a Latin mass. It was a struggle, but didn’t sound too bad! *(Note to Judges. Pat’s comment doesn’t pass the 4-way test, ‘Is it the truth?’).*

Visitors and Guests

The visiting Rotarians were Bob Quay and Jeff Daniels, both from Columbia Center. Chris Meiers brought a guest, Danielle Kleist, from WSU-TC. Ms. Kleist was a Rotaract member and is considering membership in our club.

Announcements

Bob Quay, who is the local Assistant Governor, came up to present a flag from the District Governors home club of Nakusp, British Columbia. The Governor did not have them with him when he visited last July. Nakusp is also the location of the 2017 District conference.



Cynthia Vaughn came up to tell about a conference Wednesday October 26 at the Red Lion. It is titled “Create the community you want to be a part of” by Greg Tehven. It is part talk, part interactive experiments. See the Rotary Facebook page for more information.



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)	

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 Fellowship & Fund Raising.Cynthia Vaughn

Jeanne Dillner came up to thank those that helped support the SIGN conference last week. They had an amazing time. She will be out the next two weeks, first to Washington DC for a conference, and then to Ethiopia for to assist in surgeries at a clinic our local Rotary Clubs helped fund.



Jim Bauer noted the highway clean up will be this Saturday, October 1. Volunteers should meet at the Red Lion parking lot at 8:45 am and they would carpool to the site. He has about 6 volunteers, but a couple more would make it go faster.

Jon Putz, and Barbara French did the Duck sales update, saying we were about 2000 ducks behind last year. Please get your ducks in!! There is a sign up sheet for the Duck race activities circulating. We also need people to show up at Kens place to help load next Thursday. Barbara also added that there is a Tri-City Americans game Sunday October 2, at the Toyota Center and this is the Rotary Night game. They still need some volunteers to help out.



Pam Larsen said this Thursday at 11 am is the ribbon cutting for the new upper floors of Kadlec Hospital. The ceremony will be on the roof. It is a thank you for the community support of the hospital.

50/50

Gary Schofield said there is \$155 in the pot. Chris Smith got the draw, but not the right chip. Jan Griffin got the \$10.

Judge Ken Williams

Judge Ken appeared resplendent in a sports coat and bowtie. He opened with the quote:

“Concentration comes out of a combination of confidence and hunger.” This is by golfer Arnold Palmer who passed away Sunday at age 87. He asked for contributions from fans of Palmer. He then moved on to two Sunday programs he likes, CBS Sunday morning was one. Longtime host Charles Osgood has just retired. He said he liked watching Osgood and described him as mellifluous. He asked if anyone knew what that meant. It is a sound that is sweet or musical, and Ken described Osgood’s voice as mellifluous. The bowtie Ken was wearing was to honor Osgood, who’s own tie from his final appearance is going to the Smithsonian.



Ken moved on to Shingles. Shingles occurs when the Chicken Pox virus reactivates, typically in older adults. He asked how many had taken the Shingles vaccine. It was a pretty fair number. One of his friends has just gotten the disease and it is miserable. He recommends getting the shot and contributing if you are glad you don’t have it.

He next moved on to his second Sunday program, 60 Minutes. They recently had coverage of the number of nuclear weapons in the world, and the possibility of them being used. There are dial-a-payload bombs meant to take out a specific target with less effect on the surrounding areas. He urged us to use Rotary as a forum for discussion to help prevent these from ever being used. He said that Rotary can help and that makes him proud to be a Rotarian.

Ken asked for brags and confessions, and fined someone for being late and probably speeding to get here. Cynthia Vaughn put in for Rick Schulte and the flyer from the Richland Schools that came

in the mail that was an update on school construction. Rick responded by contributing for Cynthia. Jan Griffin put in for her Rotary anniversary and her recent vacation to the southwest that included visits to archeological sites.

Program

Diahann Howard introduced Michelle MacArthur, Vice President of Finance and Global Operations at Lamb-Weston. Ms. MacArthur joined Lamb Weston, in 1994, not long after leaving school. She currently leads the Finance Team for Global Operations and Supply Chain, supporting worldwide sales of over Seven billion pounds per year of product.

She is from Idaho with a finance degree from the University of Idaho and a MBA from WSU. She serves on the Board for TRIDEC and the Association of Washington Businesses. Diahann added that she has a great employee by the name of Ron Howard (Diahann's husband).



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:



Ms. MacArthur described herself as a passionate potato-head. The Lamb Weston logo says “Seeing possibilities in Potatoes.” Lamb Weston is the #1 supplier of potatoes in the US and number 2 in the world. A full 87% of what they produce is french fries. They are farmers (with 200,000 acres), processors and logistics providers. They produce over 7 Billion tons of products in 100 countries. They have 6000 employees and 22 production facilities.

Gil Lamb, who started out in vegetable production in Weston, Oregon, founded the company in 1950. In 1960 he developed a new process for cutting potatoes, the water gun knife, where the potatoes are pushed by high-pressure water into cutting blades to get fast and uniform cuts. It was a revolutionary process. The years have seen the company expand its products and markets always keeping the highest quality. Now they have opened their first factory in China and have a joint venture for a production facility in Russia. They are following their customers as they enter the markets.

Lamb Weston has seven facilities in Washington State and 3000 employees. Their new Innovation Center opened in Richland, and they have administrative offices in Kennewick. MacArthur said that they are here because the Pacific Northwest is the best place in the world for potatoes, especially the Columbia basin. Another good place is northern-central Europe where they have several more production facilities.

Their products are sustainably grown, efficiently processed with a focus on employee safety and delighting the customers. They provide world-class service and a consistent high quality product. MacArthur spoke of the company’s advanced agricultural practices and innovation and efficient supply chain as reasons for the company success.

Recently Con Agra, who has owned Lamb Weston for 26 years, decided to spin them off as a separate company. This will occur before the end of the year. Both companies will be publically traded. This means 60 or more new jobs in the Kennewick office as they take up tasks now done by Con Agra. They are also expanding the Richland facility with 125 new jobs to be added.

In response to a question Ms. MacArthur added that the small pieces left after French fries are cut were used for hash browns and tater tots. She closed with “All hail the Potato!”

Hal's Humor

One night, the Potato family sat down to dinner—Mother Potato and her three daughters. Midway through the meal, the eldest daughter spoke up. “Mother Potato?” she said. “I have an announcement to make.” “And what might that be?” said Mother, seeing the obvious excitement in her eldest daughter’s eyes.

“Well,” replied the daughter, with a proud but sheepish grin, “I’m getting married!”

The other daughters squealed with surprise as Mother Potato exclaimed, “Married! That’s wonderful! And who are you marrying, eldest daughter?”

“I’m marrying a Russet!”

“A Russet!” replied Mother Potato with pride. “Oh, a Russet is a fine tater, a fine tater indeed!”

As the family shared in the eldest daughter’s joy, the middle daughter spoke up. “Mother? I, too, am getting married!”

“You, too!” Mother Potato said with joy. “That’s wonderful! Twice the good news in one evening! And who are you marrying, Middle Daughter?”

“I’m marrying an Idaho!” beamed the middle daughter.

“An Idaho!” said Mother Potato with joy. “Oh, an Idaho is another fine tater.

Not to be outdone the youngest daughter said: “Mother? Mother Potato? Um, I, too, have an announcement to make.” “Well,” said the youngest Potato daughter, “I hope this doesn’t come as a shock to you, but I am getting married, as well!”

“Really?” said Mother Potato with sincere excitement. “All of my lovely daughters getting married! What wonderful news! And who, pray tell, are you marrying, Youngest Daughter?”

“I’m marrying Brian Williams!”

“Brian Williams?!” Mother Potato scowled suddenly. “But he’s just a common tater!”