



**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

## Aligned for October

13th – Tom Thomas: Phishing  
20th – Dr. Ambrad: Vascular Health  
27th – Ann Roseberry: Richland Library

## Editorial Bouquet Toss

A tip of the hat to Mark Smith who subbed for two weeks while the editor was undergoing ophthalmic rearrangement.

## Birthdays

The birthdays, addressed by the judge, might not have been set down in the Reactor. Those for October: **Jon Putz, Bill Siefken, Jan Griffin, Yosen Liu, Gary Scofield.**

## The Chips

As the odds contract, the prize expands. Beginning the day at over \$190, and yielding only white chips, the pot is headed for an imminent and high-yield climax.

## The Judge

**Tom Kirchner** addressed birthdays and anniversaries. Regarding birthdays, we keep a

running list. It has many additions and deletions as members come and go. A look at some of the names can cause a bit of melancholia and some rumination as to the reasons for the many departures. It is a reminder that the roster needs constant replenishment.

Tom went to anniversaries, with the **Bostons, Zinns, and Segnas** well over the 50 mark. The **Bauers** had a 13th, replete with a WWII vintage Ford in the driveway. Then the judge looked to the inevitable football. The matter of pins in public usually comes up. This time it entailed the presence, rather than the absence. (Good show, **Roy K.!**) **Pete**, who keeps us apprised of his academic son's progress, is now taking us through medical school interviews. Pete did the Portland marathon in 4 hours, 30 minutes, which, according to the Olympian judge, was extremely good. **Ruth** is off to Monterey for a training course to polish her up for her job as District 5080 PR chair. We predict that 5080 is in for a Ruthian degree of media exposure.

## PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Judy L. Addis (2S)	Jan Jackson (S)	Bill McCue
Steve Arneson (S)	Larry D. Jecha	Jerry J. McGuire (B)
Jeremy Asmus	Darrel Johnsen	Richard L. McLean (5S)
Bill Battershell (5S)(B)	Reed A. Kaldor (S)(B)	Bing Manawadu
Bob Best (2S)(B)	Roy Keck	Robert D. Nichols
Tom Bock (5S)(B)	Scott Keller	Greg Oberg (2S) (B)
Gordon Bopp (S)	Shelley Kennedy	Thomas M. O'Brien (2S)
Ernie Boston (D)(B)	Tom Kirchner (4S)(B)	Marge O'Connell (DD)(B)
Dee Burrie	Walt Kirkpatrick (2S)(B)	Joseph V. Parrish
Herb Cahn (4S)(B)	Art D. Kohler (2R)(B)	Jon M. Putz (4S)
Thomas A. Cowan (2S)(B)	Dave Larkin (4S)	Ed Revell (2S)
Bob De Lorenzo (D)(B)	Bob D. Larson (3S)(B)	Ray K. Robinson (4S)
Jeanne Dillner (S)	Pamela Larsen (3S)(B)	George Sanders (2S)(B)
Hal J. Ellner (R)	Dave Lemak (S)	Gary Scofield (4S) (B)
Jo Ferguson	Phil Lemley (S)	Anjan K. Sen (S)
Diane Fossum (2S)	Tim Lewis (S)	Chris Senske (S)
Phill Fossum (3S)	Yosen Liu (S)	Bill R. Siefken (R)
Barbara French (R)	Larry Lowry (S)	Mark Smith (3S) (B)
Jan Griffin	Mike McAndrew	Mike Spellman (3S) (B)
Greg Holben (S)	Grant McCallum (S)	Lloyd Swain (5S) (B)
		Ruth Swain (4S)(B)

Bob Tibbatts
Russell Treat (B)
Rampur S. Viswanath (4S)
Sam R. Volpentest (R)(B)
Gregory T. Warner (S)
Joe Westsik (2S)(B)
Ken Williams (3S)
Hal Williamson (D)(B)
Keith Woods (S)(B)
Jack D. Zinn (3S)
(B) Benefactor
(D) Diamond PHF
(DD) Dbl. Diamond PHF
(R) Ruby
(#R) Multiple Ruby
(S) Sapphire
(#S) Multiple Sapphires
(6/30/09)

## Officers

President .....	Grant McCallum
Vice President.....	Darrel Johnsen
Secretary.....	Dave Larkin
Treasurer.....	Diane Fossum
Foundation Treasurer....	Bob Tibbatts
Past President.....	Dave Lemak

## Directors

Club Service 'A' .....	William Taylor
Club Service 'B' .....	Tom O'Brien
Community Service.....	June Ollero
International Service.....	Phil Lemley
Membership Activities...	Darrel Johnsen
Vocational Service.....	Greg Holben

## **ARC of the Tri-Cities**

This organization is dedicated to the developmentally disabled and their families, providing many services for the former and support for the latter. As we may recall from prior programs, the ARC deals with such entities as Down's Syndrome, Cerebral Palsy, Autism, and Mental Retardation. It is concerned with early intervention, health care, and education so that those afflicted can grow, develop, and live within the framework of the community. It is largely a vocational training facility, offering 14 programs at present.

No less dedicated is speaker Cathy Preston. She traced the history of ARC from its inception, circa 1950, in a Quonset hut. The quarters have, over the decades, continued to grow, as has the need. It is presently in its building on Williams Street. This facility is neither handicapped-accessible nor nearly large enough to accommodate all who seek its benefits. A move to Spaulding Business Park is planned. This will be next to the Children's Developmental Center, a strategically appropriate move.

500 await entrance. Cathy Preston's job is to acquaint the community with the ARC, a relatively quiet cause from the standpoint of publicity. She also hopes to raise the funds needed to complete the transition. A tile brochure is available. Much has been acquired via a western gala, golf tournament, and a breakfast. To be specific, \$2.2-\$2.4M of the \$3.6 million have been raised. Legislators have directed \$900K to the drive.

With 1400 served, this is the largest organization of its kind in the state. It must expand with the need. One recent statistic: one infant per 100 births becomes autistic.

*Ed. Note: Life in this century is becoming increasingly difficult, uncertain, and competitive. It is no easy task for many, including the well qualified, to enter and remain in the workplace. Jobs are lost due to downsizing, outsourcing and to technological unemployment. An inescapable truth is that those born with the strike against them of congenital disability, face an increasingly steep uphill trek in this melieu. Additionally, the fact that we are social animals and require the company of our fellow creatures, creates a basic need, that of the avoidance of isolation and loneliness. The developmentally disabled are more in danger of this than are those more fortunately born.*

*All who recognize these needs and, moreover, attempt to do something about them, need our material and moral support.*

***They need, wherever possible, our participation. They already have our blessing.***



## ***FYI Announcements***

The overriding item was the reappearance of **Steve Arneson** who, having undergone the ordeal of extreme surgery, radiation, and chemotherapy, proclaimed liberation from all demonstrable evidence of disease. He acknowledged all manner of well-wishing accorded him. The applause, emphatic as it was, remains tacitly sustained. Though in silent form now, it matches the audible in enthusiasm and gratitude.

**Greg H.:** Signups for Race Day, as well as for a sales opportunity at Dutch Brothers Coffee, are circulating. Three volunteers are needed to operate jet skis on Race Day. The numbers: Gross ticket sales to date are 6814. This past week's sales, 1,062, translate to \$5,310. (It seems that these figures accelerate as Race Day nears). All \$ and unsold tickets should be turned in next

Tuesday. The very last stragglers need to come to Greg's office on Friday, 10/16.

**Ian:** The Red Lion presented a \$1,500 check, via Ian, for the scholarship fund. One can but imagine the long-term and far-reaching consequences of this gesture.

**Terri:** There are excess shirts from the hockey game, available on contacting her. Signups are in order for Guess Who's Coming to Dinner. Specify as to whether host or guest. It will occur on the nights of 11/3 and 11/4; indicate which. Tariff is \$50 per person + a bottle of wine, all to benefit the scholarship fund, less the wine.

**Grant:** The Prezz read a letter of thanks from recent speaker Barbara Puigh (Elijah Homes). The enthusiasm of the audience and the volunteerism that ensued were much appreciated.

## ***Richland Rotary Members***

Judy Addis (7/89)	Cynthia Johnson (6/09)	Vic Parrish (12/97)
Steve Arneson (3/02)	Stan Jones (10/07)	Kim Pietrok (9/08)
Jeremy Asmus (10/07)	Reed Kaldor (2/98)	Jon Putz (5/81)
Bill Battershell (3/56)	Roy Keck (10/04)	Ed Revell (6/08)
James Bauer (1/09)	Scott Keller (7/02)	Dick Richter (6/08)
Linda Bauer (1/09)	Shelley Kennedy (9/02)	Robert Rivera (7/09)
Ken Beller (12/07)	Tom Kirchner (3/81)	Ray Robinson (2/87)
Bob Best (4/90)	Walt Kirkpatrick (9/70)	Pete Rogalsky (7/05)
Tom Bock (3/76)	Art Kohler (287)	George Sanders (10/06)
George Booth (11/06)	Dave Larkin (4/04)	Gary Scofield (2/75)
Gordon Bopp (5/04)	Pam Larsen (2/95)	Don Segna (12/05)
Ernie Boston (2/65)	Bob Larson (6/90)	Anjan Sen (11/96)
Dee Burrie (7/92)	Dan LeBlanc (2/09)	Chris Senske (1/80)
Herb Cahn (6/55)	Terri LeBlanc (5/08)	Bill Siefken (4/87)
Tom Cowan (4/80)	Dave Lemak (1/01)	Mark Smith (3/01)
Bob De Lorenzo (3/88)	Phil Lemley (6/06)	Mike Spellman (4/81)
Jeanne Dillner (8/01)	Tim Lewis (10/03)	Lloyd Swain (8/89)
Todd Dixon (8/08)	Yosen Liu (1/91)	Ruth Swain (9/88)
Hal Ellner (8/83)	John Lowe (6/09)	Bill Taylor (7/07)
Jo Ferguson (10/05)	Larry Lowry (10/05)	Bob Tibbatts (6/03)
Diane Fossum (8/07)	Bing Manawadu (10/86)	Russ Treat (1/92)
Phill Fossum (11/03)	Mike McAndrew (2/07)	Rampur Viswanath (6/95)
Barbara French (11/98)	Patrick McBurney (6/09)	Sam Volpentest (1/95)
Bill Friend (3/09)	Grant McCallum (9/91)	Greg Warner (3/00)
LeRoy Goff (8/08)	Bill McCue (3/94)	Joe Westsik (12/96)
Jan Griffin (9/00)	Jerry McGuire (3/95)	Ken Williams (12/00)
Linda Gustafson (3/08)	Dick McLean (10/85)	Hal Williamson (4/88)
Tom Heidegger (1/09)	Gilbert Mendoza (5/08)	Keith Woods (1/97)
Greg Holben (4/06)	Ian Napier (11/08)	Jack Zinn (7/74)
Shelley Horton (3/09)	Bob Nichols (8/97)	97-(9/09)
Diahann Howard (4/08)	Greg Oberg (1/88)	
Jan Jackson (6/00)	Tom O'Brien (11/98)	
Larry Jecha (8/97)	Marge O'Connell (10/03)	
Darrel Johnsen (8/97)	June Ollero (2/03)	

## ***Honorary Members***

**Herb Cahn  
Ernie Boston  
Vic Parrish  
Mike Spellman  
Joe Westsik**

## ***Number of Members as of July 1, 2009***

**97**

**Gained: Robert Rivera  
Lost: Bob Lawyer.**

## ***Current Members***

**97**



**Ken:** His call for a pipe coupling work party for the Duck Race appeared to have been well subscribed.

**Art:** If you haven't picked up your roster packet, do so. If you have, disregard. If you weren't present for his announcement, be so informed.

**Phil:** Our Program Director, also affiliated with the Boy Scouts, presented Eagle Scout candidate Brandon Merkel. Brandon's project involves improvements in two trails that require concrete for permanence. The concrete producing companies having been less than enthusiastic to participate, he needed funding for this civic endeavor. A pass of the envelope seemingly (and predictably) put him over the top. Brandon also led the Pledge of Allegiance and expressed it to be an honor.

### ***Of Guests and Visiting Rotarians***

Brandon Merkel (Phil Lemley); Blaine Carr, Richard Coughlan (Terri LeBlanc)  
Columbia Center VRs: Darren McEwin, Bud Knorr, Greg McCann

### ***Of Risibility***

A mystery-lover takes his place in the theater for opening night, but his seat is way back in the theater, far from the stage. The man calls an usher over and whispers, "I just love a good mystery, and I have been anxiously anticipating the opening of this play. However, in order to carefully follow the clues and fully enjoy the play, I have to watch a mystery close up. Look how far away I am! If you can get me a better seat, I'll give you a handsome tip."

The usher nods and says he will be back shortly. Looking forward to a large tip, the usher speaks with his co-workers in the box office, hoping to find some closer tickets. With just three minutes left until curtain, he finds an unused ticket and snatches it up. Returning to the man in the back of the theater, he whispers, "Follow me." The usher leads the man down to the second row, and proudly points out the empty seat, right in the middle.

"Thanks so much," says the theatergoer, "This seat is perfect." He then hands the usher a single coin.

The usher looks down at the quarter in his palm,

leans over, and whispers, "The butler did it in the parlor with the candlestick."

(Just received by e-mail from Sam Volpentest)

I finally got around to going fishing this morning but after a while I ran out of worms.

Then I saw a cotton mouth with a frog in his mouth, and frogs are good bass bait.

Knowing the snake couldn't bite me with the frog in his mouth, I grabbed him right behind the head, took the frog, and put it into my bait bucket.

Now the dilemma was how to release the snake without getting bit.

I grabbed my bottle of Jack Daniels and poured a little whiskey into its mouth.

His eyes rolled back, he went limp, and I released him into the lake without incident. I carried on my fishing with the frog.

A little later I felt a nudge on my foot.

There was that same snake with two frogs in his mouth.

### ***ATTENDANCE, A ROTARY COMMITMENT***

#### ***Meeting Dates of Local Clubs***

***Richland Riverside***.....Monday, Noon  
Anthony's Home Port Restaurant  
Columbia Point Drive, Richland

***Richland***.....Tuesday, 12:10 P.M.  
Red Lion Hotel/Hanford House  
802 George Washington Way, Richland

***Pasco-Kennewick***.....Wednesday, Noon  
Leo's Catering  
20 N. Auburn, Kennewick

***Columbia Valley Daybreak***...Thursday, 7:00 A.M.  
Tri-Tech Skills Center  
5929 W. Metaline, Kennewick

***Columbia Center***.....Thursday, Noon  
Bingo Boulevard  
6222 W. John Day Ave., Kennewick

***Tri-Cities Sunrise***.....Friday, 7:00 A.M.  
Red Lion Hotel Pasco, 2525 N. 20th, Pasco