



RICHLAND

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ROTARY REACTOR

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• 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)

Steve Arneson (S)

Jeremy Asmus

Bill Battershell (5S)(B)

Bob Best (2S)(B)

Tom Bock (5S)(B)

Gordon Bopp (S)

Ernie Boston (D)(B)

Dee Burrie

Herb Cahn (4S)(B)

Thomas A. Cowan (2S)(B)

Bob De Lorenzo (D)(B)

Jeanne Dillner (S)

Hal J. Ellner (R)

Jo Ferguson

Diane Fossum (2S)

Phill Fossum (3S)

Barbara French (R)

Jan Griffin

Greg Holben (S)

Jan Jackson (S)

Larry D. Jecha

Darrel Johnsen

Reed A. Kaldor (S)(B)

Roy Keck

Scott Keller

Shelley Kennedy

Tom Kirchner (4S)(B)

Walt Kirkpatrick (2S)(B)

Art D. Kohler (2R)(B)

Dave Larkin (4S)

Bob D. Larson (3S)(B)

Pamela Larsen (3S)(B)

Dave Lemak (S)

Phil Lemley (S)

Tim Lewis (S)

Yosen Liu (S)

Larry Lowry (S)

Mike McAndrew

Grant McCallum (S)

Bill McCue

Jerry J. McGuire (B)

Richard L. McLean (5S)

Bing Manawadu

Robert D. Nichols

Greg Oberg (2S)(B)

Thomas M. O'Brien (2S)(B)

Marge O'Connell (DD)(B)

Joseph V. Parrish

Jon M. Putz (4S)

Ed Revell (2S)

Ray K. Robinson (4S)

George Sanders (2S)(B)

Gary Scofield (4S)(B)

Anjan K. Sen (S)

Chris Senske (S)

Bill R. Siefken (R)

Mark Smith (3S)(B)

Mike Spellman (3S)(B)

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

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

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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