

**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 for October**

29th – C. Mark Smith: Volpentest book

### **Preliminary**

Jim Bauer led us in a rousing rendition of “Take Me Out To The Ballgame” in recognition of the World Season which starts this Wednesday. President Jeremy used the occasion to slip in “Go Mariners.” (That must be for next year.)

### **Guests and Visiting Rotarians**

Leslie Hawkins visited again from the Farmington, Maine Rotary Club and Steve Hussey (he of a new job) visited from the Tri-Cities Sunrise Club. Tom Watkins introduced his son, Clayton, who is visiting from Hilo, Hawaii.

### **Announcements**

Jim Bauer reported on the “Walk for Trash” highway cleanup which was held last Saturday. Eight club members picked up 11 bags of trash. (They would have had nine participants if they hadn’t left 10 minutes before your humble

scribe arrived.) He also announced the fireside chat this coming Friday night for Red Badgers to find more out about the club. 7:00 at the Bauer’s. Jerry McGuire announced a meeting of the Community Service Projects committee on Wednesday afternoon at 5:00 at the Abadan board room.

### **50/50**

There was \$147 in the pot today. Jon Putz announced the winning number to his table in advance and then pulled out the wrong-colored chip. Barbara French drew the chip for the \$10 consolation prize.

### **Judge Ken Williams**

Judge Ken provided much of today’s program. President Jeremy announced that Ken is fabricating a Rotary wheel that can be used for various events in the



## **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  
President Elect.....Linda Bauer  
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

future. He began by remembering Ernie Boston's habit of having everyone put \$2.00 in the pot. Then he asked a number of questions of Red Badge members about the history of Rotary. He promoted Mark Smith's book who got to take a dollar out of the pot, talked about keys to keyless entry cars, blowing out your sprinkler systems, reliable energy, the cost of haircuts, football teams, the fact that the Rotary.org website was down when he went there to get ideas for today's judging, the death of Don James (the former UW football coach), and the bandage on the top of Bob Best's head which was said to be the result of cataract surgery. And, then, before you knew it, twenty minutes had gone by!

### **Program**

Our program today was classification talks by two of our newer members.

Phillip Koech grew up on his parent's rural farm in Kenya with his 12 siblings. He immigrated to the United States in 2000 to obtain a MS in Chemistry from Central Michigan University and a PhD in Chemistry from the University of Texas. He is employed at PNNL. He started out as a high school teacher in Kenya and decided that he was much more interested in chemistry than in teaching. At PNNL, he is working on developing an energy-efficient gas separation liquid technology to create cleaner burning coal. He and his team are looking for a company that will commercialize their technology. He is also interested in ways to provide cleaner water for rural areas in Central Africa and the prevention of water-borne diseases and appreciates Rotary's activities in this area. Finally, he is passionate about ending child labor abuses and the suffering of women in Africa. Worthy goals. Welcome, Phillip!



Julie Funfar is an educational administrator. She attended college at PLU in Tacoma to become a secondary educational teacher. A tour as a teacher in Tacoma convinced her to change her mind. She then became involved in corporate child care for 12 years. She then spent 7 years in parochial schools before moving to the Tri-Cities. She is employed by Champions, a part of the Knowledge Universe family of education-based companies. It is a school district, client-based company that provides on-site programs to supplement the district's educational offerings. She works with the Richland School District to provide before- and after-school school enrichment programs. The company also provides 3-hours-a-day kindergarten programs. She administers a staff of 40. She also partners every day with interested parents, helps to design curriculum, and coordinates the partnership with the Richland School District. Busy lady! Welcome, Julie.



## New Members

On Thursday, October 17, the Richland Rotary Club Board approved Aaron McCreight, Jacqui Wright, and Leslie Hawkins for club membership, pending the club publication requirement, orientation, etc. Aaron works as an Operations Lead and Software Developer for ELR Consulting and would be classified as Information Technology Consultant. Jacqui owns and operates Mezzo Thai and would be classified as Food & Beverage – Management & Owner. Leslie works in health care administration at Kadlec Clinic and would be classified as Neurology Healthcare Administrator. Neither Aaron nor Jacqui have been members of this or any other Rotary Club in the past. Leslie is the immediate Past President of the Farmington, Maine Club and remains in good standing. Please provide written or emailed notification to Blaine Carr, Membership Director, within the next 7 calendar days if you believe Aaron, Jacqui, and/or Leslie should not become members of the Richland Rotary Club.

## Foreign Exchange Student

*This is an update that I received from Tobin Carlson, our outbound exchange student to Japan. The photo shows Tobin with fellow exchange students from France, Brazil and Taiwan.*  
Greg Oberg.

Wow, one month already? Time sure is weird. It feels like I just got here, but at the same time that I have been here forever.

## 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)	Bob Tibbatts (6/03)
John Darrington (1/11)	Yosen Liu (1/91)	Greg Tripp (6/11)
Jeanne Dillner (8/01)	Larry Lowry (10/05)	Harry Van Dyken (11/11)
Ramez Farag (6/13)	Bing Manawadu (10/86)	Sam Volpentest (1/95)
Barbara French (11/98)	Mike McAndrew (2/07)	Greg Warner (3/00)
Bill Friend (3/09)	Patrick McBurney (6/09)	Tom Watkins (9/11)
Don Frigaard (10/12}	Grant McCallum (9/91)	James Watson (4/12}
Julie Funfar (7/13)	Bill McCue (3/94)	Ken Williams (12/00)
Linda Gilmore (4/12)	Jerry McGuire (3/95)	Hal Williamson (4/88)
Jan Griffin (9/00)	Dick McLean (10/85)	Mike Winegardner (11/09)
Linda Gustafson (3/08)	Kathy McMullen (1/13)	Keith Woods (1/97)
Al Haggerty (4/12)	Kathy Miller (6/12)	Jack Zinn (7/74)
Patricia Haggerty (4/12)	Ian Napier (11/08)	
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

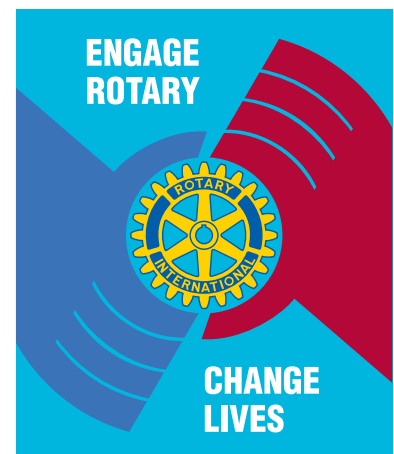
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**Gained: Julie Funfar,  
Connie Corcoran,  
Phillip Koech**

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

## Current Members:

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School has been, well school. The only thing I really understand is math and chemistry. Everything else I write down notes and try, but nope. Kanji is still very difficult for me. I am fortunate enough that my classmates and teachers understand that it is so difficult for me and do their best to help. My classmates constantly try to put it into simple English, and my teachers are impressed that I try. I actually had a comment on top of my homework that said “I am impressed by your perseverance.” Along with being difficult, it is fun as well! I am taking calligraphy, art and home economics as well.



Everyone is still very nice, so I am sure it isn't the “Welcome” face people tend to put on. These people legitimately care about each other and everyone around them. Such a difference than my school, and I absolutely love it.

I went to my first local club meeting! The governor of District 2750 came, so I was able to meet him. I had to do a speech in front of the club, but I was way more confident then when I first met everyone. Not much else to report on that though.

I also had my second District club meeting! All the exchange students were asked to sing our national anthem, and I think I did well. After that they didn't really have much planned for the Inbounds so we talked about things that were going well, about things we missed, how school was, etc. Some of the Rotex also came up with a game for us to practice our Hiragana. It is amazing how close I feel to these girls. When one of us has a bad day we talk to each other, even though we don't live very close. It is the same with the other exchange students from my school. I can now say I have friends from Mexico, Sweden, France, Brazil and Taiwan, as well as Japan.

My club activity for school is volleyball, and it takes up a lot of time. I love it though, so that is okay with me. Last Friday (the 27th) the seniors (Senpai) surprised me and the two other first years with presents and letters. I was so happy. Everyone in my club is extremely nice. This past weekend Wozu and Ann (the other first years) had a tournament. All of the team went to watch, and because of this weekend I feel much closer with everyone. I am so happy that I decided to be a part of this club, because now I have amazing friends.

Language is still difficult for me, but I am working on it! At times it is very frustrating, because instead of letting me try to figure it out people switch to English. I have asked many people to speak to me in Japanese, so we will see how that goes.

All in all, I feel amazing. I want to keep this feeling forever. And I do not want to leave. Leaving seems a long way away, but I already know I don't want to leave here.

### **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  
Clover Island Inn  
435 Clover Island Drive, 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

### ***Duck Race Helpers***

There are many behind the scenes workers whose efforts are seldom seen by our rank and file Rotarians. One of those is Deena Warrington who works for Barbara French. Deena is pictured here with Barbara as she accepts her "Thank You" basket of flowers from the Richland Rotary. Deena labelled tickets for many of our busy Quackerbacker sellers thereby allowing them to concentrate more on the selling and less on the paperwork. Thank you Deena and Barbara! Submitted by Dick McLean



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

An archaeologist was digging in the Negev Desert in Israel and came upon a casket containing a mummy. After examining it, he called the curator of a prestigious natural history museum.

"I've just discovered a 3,000-year-old mummy of a man who died of heart failure!" the excited scientist exclaimed. To which the curator replied, "Bring him in. We'll check it out."

A week later, the amazed curator called the archaeologist. "You were right about the mummy's age and cause of death. How in the world did you know?"

"Easy. There was a piece of paper in his hand that said, '10,000 Shekels on Goliath.'"

### ***More Humor (submitted by Madeleine Brown)***

The American Medical Association has weighed in on Obama's new health care package.

- The Allergists were in favor of scratching it, but the Dermatologists advised not to make any rash moves.
- The Gastroenterologists had sort of a gut feeling about it, but the Neurologists thought the Administration had a lot of nerve.
- Meanwhile, Obstetricians felt certain everyone was laboring under a misconception, while the Ophthalmologists considered the idea shortsighted.
- Pathologists yelled, "Over my dead body!" while the Pediatricians said, "Oh, grow up!"
- The Psychiatrists thought the whole idea was madness, while the Radiologists could see right through it.
- Surgeons decided to wash their hands of the whole thing and the Internists claimed it would be a bitter pill to swallow.
- The Plastic Surgeons opined that this proposal would "put a whole new face on the matter".
- Anesthesiologists thought the whole idea was a gas, and those lofty Cardiologists just didn't have the heart for it.