



**RICHLAND**

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# **ROTARY REACTOR**

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• Web Site: [www.richlandrotaryclub.org](http://www.richlandrotaryclub.org)

• 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

## **November Birthdays**

The year's penultimate month contained the debuts of: Diane Fossum, Blaine Carr, Jim Bauer, Dick Richter, Ken Williams, Russ Treat, Ruth Swain, Peter Rogalsky, Dick McLean, Jerry McGuire, Dave Larkin, Scott Keller, Hal E. It is the most birthdated month of Richland Rotary. Searching for significance, we could find none.

## **Guests**

Kayla Pratt (Meredith), JoDee Garretson (Richland Rotary)

Rotarian: Sue Kuntz of Edwards, Colorado, but always one of our own.

## **They Said It**

Jeremiah: A significant planting, under the combined aegis of River Protection and the City of Richland, is to take place on Saturday, 11/6, beginning at 9AM. Shrubs, trees, and 4000 tulips are to be launched. This is a good red badge project. 6-8 volunteers plus shovels and

wheelbarrows are needed. Richland Rotary will appear on the coming plaque at the coming archway to commemorate this labor. (Shortly after the meeting, it appeared that Jerry had gotten wholly subscribed).

Ian (whose persuasive powers are known far and wide): His Red Lion bailiwick contributed \$1,000 to our scholarship fund, at his behest.

## **They Did It**

VP Greg H. again presided.

Shelley K., as comely a witch as ever donned pointed hat, ran a Hallowe'en form of creepy bingo which rewarded eight winners with bottles of wine.

**Judge Jack** held a seasonal court, asking relevant questions about the holiday, after giving a history of the tradition. Successful responders often got a lift from nearby support systems.

## **PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS**

Judy L. Addis (2S)	LeRoy Goff	Larry Lowry (S)
Steve Arneson (2S)	Jan Griffin	Mike McAndrew
Jeremy Asmus	Greg Holben (S)	Grant McCallum (S)
Bill Battershell (5S)(B)	Jan Jackson (S)	Bill McCue
Jim Bauer	Larry D. Jecha	Jerry J. McGuire (B)
Linda Bauer	Darrel Johnsen	Richard L. McLean (5S)
Bob Best (2S)(B)	Cindy Johnson	Bing Manawadu
Tom Bock (5S)(B)	Roy Keck	Robert D. Nichols
Gordon Bopp (S)	Scott Keller	Greg Oberg (2S)(B)
Ernie Boston (D)(B)	Shelley Kennedy	Thomas M. O'Brien (2S)
Dee Burrie	Tom Kirchner (4S)(B)	Marge O'Connell (DD)(B)
Herb Cahn (4S)(B)	Walt Kirkpatrick (2S)(B)	Jon M. Putz (4S)
Blaine Carr	Art D. Kohler (3R)(B)	Ed Revell (3S)(B)
Thomas A. Cowan (2S)(B)	Dave Larkin (5S)	Dick Richter
Bob De Lorenzo (D)(B)	Bob D. Larson (3S)(B)	Robert Rivera
Jeanne Dillner (S)	Pamela Larsen (3S)(B)	Ray K. Robinson (4S)
Hal J. Ellner (R)	Dave Lemak (4S)	Ann Roseberry (S)
Diane Fossum (2S)	Phil Lemley (S)	George Sanders (2S)(B)
Phill Fossum (3S)	Tim Lewis (S)	Gary Scofield (3S)(B)
Barbara French (R)	Yosen Liu (S)	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)
William Taylor
Bob Tibbatts
Russell Treat (B)
Rampur S. Viswanath (4S)
Sam R. Volpentest (R)(B)
Gregory T. Warner (S)
Ken Williams (4S)
Hal Williamson (DD)(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

## **Officers**

President .....Darrel Johnsen  
President Elect..... Greg Holben  
Secretary.....Diane Fossum  
Treasurer.....Teri LeBlanc  
Foundation Treasurer.....Kim Pietrok  
Past President.....Grant McCallum

## **Directors**

Club Service 'A'.....William Taylor  
Club Service 'B'.....Tom O'Brien  
Community Service.....Jan Griffin  
Vocational Service...Jeremy Asmus  
International Service...Phil Lemley

### ***A Directed Address***

The Washington Policy Center, described as a statewide non-partisan, non-profit think tank, subsisting mainly on donations and contributions, consists of six research centers. Each specialty center has its own director. They look into all of the issues across the state that are vital to us. In the past year, their Eastern Washington offices were opened. An Eastern Washington Advisory Board is in place. Chris Cargill, Director of the Eastern Washington Office, spoke. He directed his comments at Initiative 1098, that which consists of a state income tax. Obloquies and pejoratives thereon were plentiful.

The pervasive argument against it is the ability of the legislature to manipulate it in such a way as to tax everyone eventually. Although it is written as a tax on high incomes, it is merely an opening gambit.

Several points, all against the initiative, developed this argument:

- Is it constitutional? In order to be so, a tax must conform to the Uniformity Clause, which requires it to apply to everyone across the board, not merely to one part of the population. As written, the initiative does not do this.
- The legislature has overruled or changed 30 different initiatives. After two years, the legislature can do anything it wants with one. This promises to be no exception. Case in point: When an initiative was passed that required a 2/3 vote of the legislature to raise taxes, the legislature overturned it after the minimum time period.
- In states that have no income tax, there has been an 18% increase in jobs, as contrasted to a 9% increase in those with an income tax.
- States do best with either an income tax or a sales tax. We would have both. As an example, New Jersey, with both, had a \$70 billion net loss. The wealthy have moved away, leaving less taxable people to fill the gap.
- Where would the new revenues go? A resultant B&O and property tax credit would be good, but would not offset the added income tax.
- Could the income tax expand? A look at the history of the sales, gas, property, and unemployment payroll taxes leaves little doubt as to the direction an income tax would take.
- This tax will be based on gross income, before deductions.
- It is presented as an initiative, not an amendment, allowing the legislature to alter it.
- It would tax income generated in WA for out-of-state investors, making ventures in WA less attractive.

The point was made that many publications oppose the initiative, largely on constitutional grounds.

John Jay: The right to tax is the right to steal.

Will Rogers: Your life and property are at risk when the legislature is in session.

Robert Heinlein: Beware of strong drink. It can make you shoot at tax collectors – and miss.



### ***The Ring Cycle, Phase I***

The generously donated ring, now in the protective care of the President, is valued at over \$9700. When it is sold, the proceeds will go to the Rotary Foundation to further its humanitarian work. The minimum bid is fixed at \$4200. It is touted as a great gift to a special person on an auspicious occasion. A description follows: a lady's diamond ring with two round brilliant cut diamonds: 1.1 carats & .75 carats (near colorless.) If you would like to view the ring and make an offer, please contact President Darrel Johnsen (539-5285) or [darrelj@faithtricies.org](mailto:darrelj@faithtricies.org).



### ***Richland Rotary Members***

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

### ***Honorary Members***

**Herb Cahn  
Ernie Boston  
Mike Spellman  
Bob DeLorenzo  
Bill Battershell**

### ***Number of Members***

***as of July 1, 2010***

**102**

***Gained: Marlene Oliver, Pat Hollick & Chris Smith***

***Lost: Todd Dixon, Vic Parrish & Scott Barlow***

### ***Current Members:***

**102**





## ***Mirthology***

A tomcat and a tabby cat were courting on a back fence at night.  
The tom leaned over to the tabby with pent-up passion and purred, "I'd die for you!"  
The tabby gazed at him from under lowered eyelids and asked:  
"How many times?"

A kindergarten class was on a field trip to their local police station. The children were shown pictures of the 10 most wanted criminals.  
One of the youngsters pointed to a picture of a wanted person.  
"Yes," said the policeman. "The detectives want very badly to capture him."  
A little boy asked, "Why didn't you keep him when you took his picture?"

### ***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