

RICHLAND **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

Speaker Schedule for November

Don Barnes – Vista Field Plans/Port of Kennewick
Tammy Taylor – PNNL Nat'l Security Directorate
Sue Pederson – The ARC of T.C. overview
Paul Casey – Personality Styles, Leadership

Preliminaries

Happy Halloween!
President Linda, dressed as a clown, presided over a meeting in the dungeon of the Red Lion (Oh, pardon me, Ian, the Vernita Room). There was a scattering of costumed attendees (we already have lots of clowns). Madeleine Brown led the group in the 1959 Sound of Music favorite: Do Re Mi.



Realm of the Golden Dragon, She is related to Mark Twain, but actually hates vegetables.

Guests and Visiting Rotarians

Linda Gilmore introduced her guest, Cynthia Vaughn. Visiting from Columbia Center was Glenn Bestebreuer and Howard Rickard visited from Richland Riverside.

Announcements

Madeleine Brown brought a banner from the Cairns, Australia club. Art Kohler announced his email had been hacked and his messages were now going to Russia and the Ukraine, so call (there?) if you need to reach him.



Is it the Truth?

Shelley Kennedy was the subject. We learned she has crossed the Equator, thus joining the

Next, Miriya Hanada, the Rotary exchange student staying with the Bauers, talked briefly

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Judy Addis (D)(B)	Diahann Howard	Bing Manawadu	Bill R. Siefken (1R)
Steve Arneson (5S)	Jan Jackson (2S)	Mike McAndrew	Mike Sinclair
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Jim Bauer (2S)	Larry D. Jecha	Bill McCue (1S)	Lloyd Swain (5S) (B)
Linda Bauer (4S)	Darrel Johnsen (2S)	Jerry J. McGuire (B)	Bob Tibbatts (1S)
Bob Best (2S)(B)	Cindy Johnson (1S)	Richard L. McLean (5S)(B)	Sam R. Volpentest (2R)(B)
Tom Bock (1R)(B)	Roy Keck	Kathy Miller (4S)	Gregory T. Warner (2S)
Gordon Bopp (1S)	Scott Keller	Robert D. Nichols	Tom Watkins (D)(B)
Herb Cahn (4S)(B)	Shelley Kennedy	Greg Oberg (4S) (B)	Ken Williams (5S)
Blaine Carr (3S)	Tom Kirchner (1R)(B)	Marlene Oliver	Hal Williamson (DD)(B)
Thomas A. Cowan (3S)(B)	Walt Kirkpatrick (2S)(B)	Thomas M. O'Brien (2S)	Jack D. Zinn (4S)
John Darrington	Art D. Kohler (D)(B)	Jon M. Putz (5S)	(B) Benefactor
Bob De Lorenzo (D)(B)	Dave Larkin (D)	Ed Revell (3S)(B)	(D) Diamond PHF
Jeanne Dillner (2S)	Pamela Larsen (4S)(B)	Dick Richter	(DD) Dbl. Diamond PHF
Hal J. Ellner (1R)	Bob D. Larson (4S)(B)	Robert Rivera	(R) Ruby
Barbara French (D)	Phil Lemley (2S)	Gary Scofield (4S) (B)	(#R) Multiple Ruby
Bill Friend	Tim Lewis (2S)	Anjan K. Sen (1S)	(S) Sapphire
Jan Griffin (1S)	Yosen Liu (1S)	Chris Senske (1S)	(#S) Multiple Sapphires
Leslie Hawkins	Larry Lowry (1S)(B)	Rick Schulte	

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about her country and school. We learned In Japanese the seasons are Sakura (spring), Natsu (summer, time for hanabi, or fireworks). Autumn is Autunno, meaning falling leaves and winter is Inverno. She also showed pictures of her hometown and took us through a typical day at school.

50/50

There was \$362 in the pot. Gordon Bopp drew the white chip for a big win!! Bill Sifkin took the \$10 prize.

Judge Jim Bauer

Judge Jim looked the part today in a black robe and white curled wig. He asked Gordon what was going to happen with the money he won in 50/50. Gordon immediately donated \$100 to Polio Plus. Ken Williams was fined for being late. Ken said he was only late because the parking lot was so full (due to the big conference that relegated us to the basement). Bauer asked about birthdays and got Bill Sifkin (84 years) and Jan Griffin (undetermined years). Chris Smith allowed he didn't have a birthday but his son just turned 24 and got married 3 weeks ago.

Judge Bauer turned to Halloween and asked for favorite memories. Jan Griffin reported going from treat-or-treating to Halloween mischief as she grew up. Kathy Miller talked of Halloween being cancelled by snow one year in her Colorado hometown, but having a great party instead. Jacque Wright said she first experienced Halloween in 1999. The Judge fined everyone that did not come in costume as had been requested by the Prez. He asked those in costume to come forward for a ballot by applause. Linda Gilmore won for her witch costume, getting the nod due to accessorizing with her dog Peaches in a Jack-O-Lantern costume. Justin came in next as a Zoot-Suited gangster. Honorable mentions for Pat Haggerty in a poodle skirt, Dick McLean as a hanging judge, complete with noose and Roy Keck and Jerry Mcguire in Rasta dreadlocks and an afro.

Judge Bauer finished by saying all proceeds of today's meeting would go to Polio Plus. He defined what is meant in saying we are "this close" to ending polio. Examples were there have been only 5 cases of polio in Nigeria this year. Afghanistan is down from 14 cases last year to 8 so far this year. The main problem has been Pakistan, which has 104 cases so far this year, up from 58 in 2012. The problem there is groups like the Taliban are preventing vaccination programs from being conducted.

Program

Gordon Bopp introduced the speaker, Howard Rickard. Howard is the Manager of the Richland office of Tetra Tech. He has over 35 years in foreign and domestic projects in design, assessment, and construction of facilities and infrastructure. Most recently he has been involved in Homeland Security projects involving improvements of border crossings. Prior to joining Tetra Tech in 2008, Rickard was the Executive Director of Capitol Projects for the Richland School District. He is a



Registered Architect with many years of experience.

Rickard has lived in Richland since 1961 and is current member of Richland Riverside Rotary and a member of the American Institute of Architecture as has been active in the Richland Chamber of Commerce and many other local organizations.

Rickard acknowledged his introduction and said that was his day job. His "other job" is being a part of the Army Global Services Survey Team, which was the subject of his talk. As a team member, his job is to go into foreign lands and recon and evaluate facilities and structures. He leads a team with international makeup into places like Iraq and Afghanistan. He started the discussion by giving some background about the Middle East. He said most of the conflict is not about religion, despite what you hear. It centers on tribal boundaries and consolidating power and influence. He showed a map of "incidents such as airstrikes, and other violence in the area. The most activity is up near the Mosul Dam, the oil fields and along travel routes for materials and



Richland Rotary Members

Judy Addis (7/89)	Stan Jones (10/07)	Justin Raffa (12/09)
Steve Arneson (3/02)	Roy Keck (10/04)	Ed Revell (6/08)
Jeremy Asmus (10/07)	Scott Keller (7/02)	Dick Richter (6/08)
James Bauer (1/09)	Shelley Kennedy (9/02)	Robert Rivera (7/09)
Linda Bauer (1/09)	Tom Kirchner (3/81)	Pete Rogalsky (7/05)
Bob Best (4/90)	Walt Kirkpatrick (9/70)	Gary Scofield (2/75)
Tom Bock (3/76)	Phillip Koech (8/13)	Rick Schulte (7/14)
George Booth (11/06)	Art Kohler (2/87)	Anjan Sen (11/96)
Gordon Bopp (5/04)	Dave Larkin (4/04)	Chris Senske (1/80)
Madeleine Brown (3/13)	Pam Larsen (2/95)	Bill Siefken (4/87)
Blaine Carr (12/09)	Bob Larson (6/90)	Mike Sinclair (1/11)
Connie Corcoran (8/13)	Terri LeBlanc (5/08)	Chris Smith (8/10)
Tom Cowan (4/80)	Phil Lemley (6/06)	Mark Smith (3/01)
John Darrington (1/11)	Tim Lewis (10/03)	Lloyd Swain (8/89)
Jeanne Dillner (8/01)	Yosen Liu (1/91)	Katie Swan (10/11)
Paula Duranceau (4/14)	Larry Lowry (10/05)	Bob Tibbatts (6/03)
Barbara French (11/98)	Bing Manawadu (10/86)	Greg Tripp (6/11)
Bill Friend (3/09)	Mike McAndrew (2/07)	Harry Van Dyken (11/11)
Don Frigaard (10/12}	Patrick McBurney (6/09)	Sam Volpentest (1/95)
Julie Funfar (7/13)	Grant McCallum (9/91)	Greg Warner (3/00)
Linda Gilmore (4/12)	Aaron McCreight (12/13)	Tom Watkins (9/11)
Jan Griffin (9/00)	Bill McCue (3/94)	James Watson (4/12)
Linda Gustafson (3/08)	Jerry McGuire (3/95)	Ken Williams (12/00)
Al Haggerty (4/12)	Dick McLean (10/85)	Hal Williamson (4/88)
Patricia Haggerty (4/12)	Kathy McMullen (1/13)	Mike Winegardner (11/09)
Leslie Hawkins (11/12)	Kathy Miller (6/12)	Jacqui Wright (12/13)
Tom Heidegger (1/09)	Chris Meiers (9/14)	
Pat Hollick (8/10)	Ian Napier (11/08)	
Diahann Howard (4/08)	Bob Nichols (8/97)	
Jan Jackson (6/00)	Greg Oberg (1/88)	
Rick Jansons (10/09)	Tom O'Brien (11/98)	
Larry Jecha (8/97)	Marlene Oliver (7/10)	
Darrel Johnsen (8/97)	Kim Pietrok (9/08)	
Cynthia Johnson (6/09)	Jon Putz (5/81)	

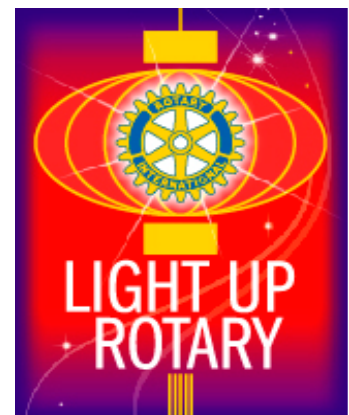
Honorary Members
Bob DeLorenzo,
Hal Ellner & Jack Zinn

Number of Members
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93

Current Members:
92

Gained:
Chris Meiers

Lost:
Keith Woods, Dee Burrie & Herb Cahn



goods. In much of the region, powerful families control the military. Promotion is more about family associations than ability. Rickard talked about a mission he did last February in Iraq. His team, including some British Special Forces, started from Dubai going into Iraq. He stayed in a house in Baghdad, that looked nice enough, but the house next door was bombed out. He mentioned one place where most of the foreign visitors hang out, called DoJo's Diner. He says you can get anything you want there. From Baghdad, they went to Iman Ali, an old Russian built airbase, used also by the US. His pictures showed the highway was a wasteland; fighting and shelling damaged everything near the road. However, it is along the Euphrates Valley, which is rich with crops and looks like the Imperial Valley in California.

His project was to evaluate the facilities at the abandoned airfield. The desert sand is taking back all of the buildings and equipment. He showed bomb damage and buildings trashed after the Americans left. Some of the buildings hold valuable materials such as one with tons of brass plumbing parts never installed. It can be a treasure hunt and you never know what you will find, including nasty bugs, spiders and other pests. Besides his team, the Iraqi Army sent along several officers and men.

Along with the survey work they were allowed to visit some special sites nearby. The main one was the Ziggurat of Ur. It is a step pyramid structure dating back to about 2000 BC, and the surrounding ancient city of Ur. It was excavated and restored by the British in the 1930's and 1970's. Two items of note found there were a gold decorated harp and golden replica of an ancient boat. Those items reside at the British Museum. The British ran a museum and center at the Ziggurat until kicked out over 30 years ago and westerners haven't been allowed to visit it since. The last of the curators heard the group was going to the site and drove 40 miles to show them around. He still had materials he used when he worked at the museum.

Also nearby is the house of Abraham, of biblical note. The house remains were been partially restored show what it was like. It was large and

very sophisticated for the age. One of the highlights for the civil engineer types on the team was a view of an ancient drainage system for the house. At the completion of the mission they were back in Dubai. Rickard showed some sites from there that contrast greatly from the war-torn Iraq. Lavish shopping malls, the famous indoor ski center and luxurious hotels.

Hals Humor

The animals were bored. Finally, the lion had an idea. "I know a really exciting game that the humans play called football. I've seen it on T.V." He proceeded to describe it to the rest of the animals and they all got excited about it so they decided to play.

They went out to the field and chose up teams and were ready to begin. The lion's team received. They were able to get two first downs and then had to punt. The mule punted and the rhino was back deep for the kick. He caught the ball, lowered his head and charged. First, he crushed a roadrunner, then two rabbits. He gored a wildebeest, knocked over two cows, and broke through to daylight, scoring six. Unfortunately, they lacked a placekicker, and the score remained 6 - 0.

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 Islnad 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

Late in the first half the lion's team scored a touchdown and the mule kicked the extra point. The lion's team led at halftime 7 - 6. In the locker room, the lion gave a pep talk. "Look you guys. We can win this game. We've got the lead and they only have one real threat. We've got to keep the ball away from the rhino, he's a killer. Mule, when you kick off be sure to keep it away from the rhino." The second half began. Just as the mule was about to kick off, the rhino's team changed formation and the ball went directly to the rhino. Once again, the rhino lowered his head and was off running. First, he stomped two gazelles. He skewered a zebra, and bulldozed an elephant out of the way. It looked like he was home free. Suddenly at the twenty yard line, he dropped over dead. There were no other animals in sight anywhere near him.

The lion went over to see what had happened. Right next to the dead rhino he saw a small centipede. "Did you do this?" he asked the centipede. "Yeah, I did." the centipede replied. The lion retorted, "Where were you during the first half?" "I was putting on my shoes."