

RICHLAND **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 November

Nov 10 – Veterans Day

Nov 17 – John LaFemina, PNNL Progress/Future

Nov 24 – Fellowship Thanksgiving

Preliminaries

President Larry called the meeting to order, and called on Julie Funfar as Song Leader. She thought that a song reflecting her German heritage and Saturday was the 150th Reformation Day with a Beer Hall song, and even though it is Czechoslovakian, we sang the Beer Barrel Polka (Roll Out the Barrel)! It was a pretty lively rendition.

Guests

Larry Jecha reported there were no guests and two visiting Rotarians, Bob Quay from Columbia Center and Daryl Francis of Tri-City Sunrise.

Announcements

Jim Bauer noted the cancellation of the golf game last Saturday due to weather. He said they will reschedule for spring. He also announced he had two tickets for the Cougars game this Saturday, and they include the bus ride over and back. Bechtel is sponsoring the bus, which leaves from the Federal Building parking Lot at 8am. The tickets are \$65 each. Contact him if you are interested.



Pam Larsen asked if anyone had children or grandchildren who were seniors in high school that they would like to nominate for Student of

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Judy Addis (2S)(B)	Jan Jackson (2S)	Bill McCue (1S)	Tom Watkins (D)(B)
Steve Arneson (1R)	Larry D. Jecha	Jerry J. McGuire (B)	Ken Williams (5S)
Jeremy Asmus (2S)	Darrel Johnsen (2S)	Kathy Miller (4S)	Hal Williamson (DD)(B)
Jim Bauer (3S)	Roy Keck	Robert D. Nichols	Jack D. Zinn (4S)
Linda Bauer (5S)	Scott Keller	Greg Oberg (4S) (B)	(B) Benefactor
Bob Best (2S)(B)	Shelley Kennedy	Thomas M. O'Brien (2S)	(D) Diamond PHF
Tom Bock (1R)(B)	Tom Kirchner (1R)(B)	Jon M. Putz (5S)	(DD) Dbl. Diamond PHF
Gordon Bopp (1S)	Phillip Koech	Cindy Reents (1S)	(R) Ruby
Madeleine Brown	Art D. Kohler (D)(B)	Dick Richter (1S)	(#R) Multiple Ruby
Blaine Carr (4S)	Dave Larkin (D)	Robert Rivera	(S) Sapphire
Thomas A. Cowan (4S)(B)	Pamela Larsen (4S)(B)	Gary Scofield (4S) (B)	(#S) Multiple Sapphires
Bob De Lorenzo (D)(B)	Bob D. Larson (4S)(B)	Anjan K. Sen (1S)	
Jeanne Dillner (2S)	Phil Lemley (2S)	Chris Senske (1S)	
Barbara French (D)	Tim Lewis (2S)	Rick Schulte	
Julie Funfar	Yosen Liu (1S)	Bill R. Siefken (1R)	
Linda Gilmore (1S)	Larry Lowry (1S)(B)	Mike Sinclair	
Jan Griffin (1S)	Bing Manawadu	Mark Smith (5S) (B)	
Leslie Hawkins (1S)	Mike McAndrew (1S)	Bob Tibbatts (1S)	
Diahann Howard	Grant McCallum (3S)	Sam R. Volpentest (2R)(B)	

Officers

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Club Service.....Robert Rivera
Community Service...Pat Haggerty
International Service.Pete Rogalsky
New Generations.....Jan Jackson
Fellowship & Fund Raising.Linda Gilmore

the Month. She also said, playing on the theme of our song, how about meeting up for some beer after work?

Pam also noted she had exchanged notes with Madeleine Brown and offered to pick up some groceries. Pam said she would stop by with the things before the Rotary meeting, but Madeleine asked that she come after lunch and bring her some Red Lion cookies!

Greg Oberg asked if anyone would volunteer to help him out on the International Youth Committee. He is currently the only member and could use a hand.

Mike Winegardner took the podium to let us know about Paul Harris recognition points we all get when we donate to the Rotary Foundation. You can check the points by going to Rotary International and logging in. Go to Rotary Foundation and look for Donor Report. The points can be used to give friends or family a Paul Harris Award (1000 points per award) even if they are not Rotarians. Some clubs use these points to give to members to see that everyone has a Paul Harris.

Shelley Kennedy told us she is the Regional Recruiter for Edward Jones. They are looking for new people to join the company as financial advisors. To aid in recruiting, they are having a dinner November 18 at Twigs (6 pm). Shelley promises it is a low-key event to let interested people learn more about the company. Contact her at Shelley.kennedy@edwardjones.com if you are interested.

Larry noted that when he joined the club there were only 17 Paul Harris holders. They now number in the hundreds. He asked if everyone set their clocks back this weekend? Then he asked if, in honor of the holiday season, anyone had set their bathroom scales back ten pounds? Tim Lewis said yes! Then Larry asked if anyone had read the cover article in the new Rotarian Magazine? It is titled "Thank You" and has notes from school kids thanking someone. Larry said he was ever thankful for his health and that of his family, but also thought of what he would have said thank you for as a six year old in 1955. He decided he would write and thank Dr. Jonas Salk to thank him for the polio vaccine. Larry had a friend and his first grade teacher that had polio. He wanted us to think about what the world would be like with out this vaccine. We are down to less than 50 cases in the world!

50/50

Shelley announced \$111 in the pot. Visitor Bob Quay had the ticket but failed to win the pot. Jerry McGuire won the \$10, and Chris Smith was left empty-handed this week.

Judge Stan Jones

Stan asked who had the phone ring during the prayer. Being the first meeting of November, Stan asked about birthdays. Jim Bauer said his was this month and Stan asked 'How many?' Jim said 'Only one' Then Al Haggerty said he was facing the big 60, Jerry McGuire was six squared plus 11 (75) Julie Funfar said she was old enough to know better. Pete Rogalsky reported 'double nickels' and Ken Williams is turned 54 Sunday and went into a story about a bad toothache, which led to a



couple of dentist visits before getting relief when the tooth was removed. He was happy to be pain free for his birthday. Mike Winegardner has his 6th Rotary anniversary this month Barbara French her 17th and Leslies Hawkins her second!

Stan then asked anyone who wasted their time watching the Cougar or Huskies games to donate for the time they wasted, and for a boring Seahawks game. In brags Ian reports he is going to Scotland over Christmas with his wife and they will be taking the Flying Scotsman train from London to Dundee Scotland. His wife is excited about going to Harrods. Ian is also waiting for final FAA approval of his drone license. Jon Putz plans a long cruise through the Panama Canal with South American port visits. He said his wife was booking him for a zip line ride in Peru, which made him a bit suspicious. Cynthia put in a dollar for anyone who attending the symphony last



weekend. Tim Lewis is just back from Germany and Poland, spending time with his daughter and two new grandchildren.

Richland Rotary Members

Judy Addis (7/89)	Pam Larsen (2/95)	Tom Watkins (9/11)
Steve Arneson (3/02)	Bob Larson (6/90)	James Watson (4/12)
Jeremy Asmus (10/07)	Phil Lemley (6/06)	Ken Williams (12/00)
James Bauer (1/09)	Tim Lewis (10/03)	Hal Williamson (4/88)
Linda Bauer (1/09)	Yosen Liu (1/91)	Mike Winegardner (11/09)
Bob Best (4/90)	Larry Lowry (10/05)	Jacqui Wright (12/13)
Tom Bock (3/76)	Bing Manawadu (10/86)	
Gordon Bopp (5/04)	Mike McAndrew (2/07)	
Madeleine Brown (3/13)	Patrick McBurney (6/09)	
Blaine Carr (12/09)	Grant McCallum (9/91)	
Tom Cowan (4/80)	Bill McCue (3/94)	
Jeanne Dillner (8/01)	Jerry McGuire (3/95)	
Barbara French (11/98)	Kathy Miller (6/12)	
Julie Funfar (7/13)	Ian Napier (11/08)	
Linda Gilmore (4/12)	Bob Nichols (8/97)	
Jan Griffin (9/00)	Debbie Nogueras (8/15)	
Linda Gustafson (3/08)	Greg Oberg (1/88)	
Al Haggerty (4/12)	Tom O'Brien (11/98)	
Patricia Haggerty (4/12)	Jon Putz (5/81)	
Leslie Hawkins (11/12)	Dick Richter (6/08)	
Pat Hollick (8/10)	Robert Rivera (7/09)	
Diahann Howard (4/08)	Pete Rogalsky (7/05)	
Jan Jackson (6/00)	Gary Scofield (2/75)	
Larry Jecha (8/97)	Rick Schulte (6/14)	
Darrel Johnsen (8/97)	Anjan Sen (11/96)	
Cynthia Johnson (6/09)	Chris Senske (1/80)	
Stan Jones (10/07)	Bill Siefken (4/87)	
Roy Keck (10/04)	Mike Sinclair (1/11)	
Scott Keller (7/02)	Chris Smith (8/10)	
Shelley Kennedy (9/02)	Mark Smith (3/01)	
Tom Kirchner (3/81)	Bob Tibbatts (6/03)	
Phillip Koech (8/13)	Greg Tripp (6/11)	
Art Kohler (2/87)	Cynthia Vaughn (12/14)	
Dave Larkin (4/04)	Sam Volpentest (1/95)	

Honorary Members
Bob DeLorenzo, Jack Zinn & General James Mattis

**Number of Members
as of July 1, 2015**

79

Current Members:
74

Gained:

Debbie Nogueras

Lost:

Kim Pietrok, Chris Meiers,
John Darrington, Greg Warner, Rick
Jansons & Drew Haninger



Be a gift to the world

Program

Al Haggerty introduced State Senator Sharon Brown. Sharon lives in Kennewick where she and her husband Fraser raised five children. She has a law degree from the Franklin Pierce Law Center and is a practicing attorney in business law. She works for Longnecker and Associates in the Mission Support Alliance and co-owns a real estate business with her husband. She was appointed to the 8th Legislative District in 2013, and was elected to retain that seat last year. With the long list of organizations she belongs to, Al wondered when she had time to sleep. After a bit of technical difficulties, we got the Senator's presentation going.

Sharon noted it had been an exciting year with three special sessions including one that lasted over 24 hours. What the Legislature accomplished: they got as Responsible Budget, Prioritized Education, Created Jobs, showed leadership in energy, and passed a transportation package. The budget provided tax relief for seniors and veterans, increased mental health care funding and avoided 3 Billion in new taxes.

For Education, the legislature increased the budget by 19% so that K-12 education is 47.5% of the State budget, the highest in over 30 years. They also cut tuition at State Universities (the only State to do so). The State also worked to provide tax incentives for businesses to stay in the State and invest in training. There is one company that is located here in Tri-Cities that qualifies, and she expects an announcement next spring. In energy leadership, she got a grant of \$176,000 for the State Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council to conduct a siting study for small modular reactors. That report is due December 1. They are trying to build in the 2013 study by TRIDEC that shows big savings for nuclear siting at Hanford.

The transportation package included over \$200 Million for transportation projects in Tri-Cities. Sharon recognized Pete Rogalski for his contributions to the success of these efforts with many trips to meet with legislators and giving tours locally to show why the projects were important. The package includes \$38 million for a Duportail Street bridge, \$28.4 million for the Red Mountain interchange, \$26 million for the Lewis Street overpass in Pasco, \$21 million for a four-lane bridge at Highway 395 and Ridgeline Drive in Kennewick and \$168.9



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
- Mid-Columbia Rotaract**.....Every other Monday, 4:30 P.M.
Fire & Brimstone, 1022 N. Columbia Center Blvd, Kennewick

million for U.S. Highway 12 improvements. The transportation Program also included reforms to keep transportation funds for transportation projects, and not put in to the general fund as has happened in the past.

For the upcoming year, Sharon is focusing on the nuclear energy and small modular reactors that provide clean energy from all sources. She is pushing initiatives that create jobs by streamlining the regulatory process for opening businesses. She will also keep working on other Government reform to focus on helping rather than hindering business. She wants to help this area with increased access to the Local Revitalization Funds, such as were used in Southridge, and closing gaps between Federal and State matches of funding. She is involved in the upcoming celebration of 50 years of WSU Tri-Cities and drafting a resolution recognizing their academic accomplishments and leadership. She complemented the community spirit and assistance that has helped the WSU campus to thrive.

Hal's Humor

The day's lesson in Mr Thomas's kindergarten class was numbers. He wrote a "1" on the board. "Who knows what number this is?" he said. Several hands went up. "Michael?" he said. "That's a "1," Michael replied. "Very Good. And who knows what comes after 1?" Fewer hands went up. "Margaret?" Margaret replied "2." "Very good. And what comes after 2?" Only a couple hands were raised. "Yvonne?" "3," Yvonne replied. "Very Good," said Mr Thomas. "Now, what comes after 3?" she continued. Only Pat's hand was raised. "Pat?" "4 comes after 3!" she said, enthusiastically. "Very good." Mr Thomas replied. Pat continued, "And after that comes 5, 6 and 7." "That's right. Very good, Pat!" "And after that, 8, 9 and 10!" "Impressive!" said Mr Thomas. "Where did you learn your numbers?" "My father taught me," Pat answered. "Well, you have a very caring and attentive father," Mr Thomas said. "Yes, he's the best!" was Pat's reply. "Did he teach you what comes after 10?" "Yes," Pat said. "Jack, Queen, King and Ace."