

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

January Speaker Schedule

9th – LoAnn Ayers, United Way
 16th – Dr. Rick Schulte, RSD Levy
 23rd – Carol Larkin, Results TC
 30th – Fellowship Event

Preliminaries

President Diahann was not able to be at the meeting, so President elect Bob Tibbatts opened our last meeting of the year. It was a very chilly room, but spirits seemed warm anyway. There was a tasty baked ham with one of the staff chefs slicing it as you came through the line. Dessert was Christmas cookies with bright frosting looking like Christmas trees, snowmen and gingerbread men.

Julie Funfar led the group in singing a cheery “We Wish You a Merry Christmas.” Jan Griffin led the prayer.

Visitors & Guests

Gary reported there was one Rotarians visiting from Columbia Center, Jeff Daniels. Jon Putz had a guest, CJ and Linda Gilmore hosted Joan Wright, who recently moved from Wenatchee, and was a Rotary member there.

Announcements

Jan Griffin circulated a card for Cynthia Vaughn. Cynthia is fine, but her daughter was diagnosed with cancer and recently had surgery. The follow up shows a very good prognosis for her.



Jon Putz mentioned he has the Quackerbacker certificates. Come and claim them from him.

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Judy Addis (2S)(B)	Stan Jones	Jon M. Putz (6S)	(R) Ruby
Steve Arneson (1R)	Roy Keck	Cindy Reents (1S)	(#R) Multiple Ruby
Jeremy Asmus (2S)	Scott Keller	Dick Richter (2S)	(S) Sapphire
Bob Best (2S)(B)	Shelley Kennedy	Robert Rivera	(#S) Multiple Sapphires
Tom Bock (1R)(B)	Phillip Koech	Gary Scofield (4S)(B)	
Gordon Bopp (1S)	Art D. Kohler (D)(B)	Anjan K. Sen (1S)	
Blaine Carr (6S)	Dave Larkin (D)	Chris Senske (1S)	
Thomas A. Cowan (4S)(B)	Pamela Larsen (4S)(B)	Rick Schulte	
Bob De Lorenzo (D)(B)	Bob D. Larson (4S)(B)	Bill R. Siefken (1R)	
Jeanne Dillner (2S)	Phil Lemley (2S)	Mike Sinclair	
Barbara French (D)	Tim Lewis (3S)	Mark Smith (5S)(B)	
Julie Funfar	Yosen Liu (1S)	Bob Tibbatts (1S)	
Linda Gilmore (2S)	Larry Lowry (3S)(B)	Sam R. Volpentest (2R)(B)	
Jan Griffin (1S)	Jerry J. McGuire (2S)(B)	Tom Watkins (D)(B)	
Pat Haggerty	Kathy Miller (6S)	Ken Williams (6S)	
Diahann Howard	Robert D. Nichols (1S)	Hal Williamson (DD)(B)	
Jan Jackson (2S)	Debbie Nogueras		
Larry D. Jecha	Greg Oberg (4S) (B)		(B) Benefactor
Darrel Johnsen (2S)	Thomas M. O'Brien (2S)		(D) Diamond PHF
			(DD) Dbl. Diamond PHF

Officers

President DiahannHoward
 President Elect.....Bob Tibbatts
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 Foundation Treasurer.Mike Winegardner
 Past President.....Dick Richter

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 Community Service.....Roy Keck
 International Service....Phillip Koech
 New Generations....Tom Hunnington
 Fellowship & Fund Raising.DeWayne Halstad
 Public Relations.....Cynthia Vaughn

Mike Winegarten made a thank you for the donation from Barbara French and her company, Northwest Technical Resources, half of that has already been committed. He also wanted to remind our newer members that if you have been with the club less than 3 years, and donate \$500 to the Foundation or Polio Plus, the club will match it with points to get your first Paul Harris award.



Julie Funfar asked that if anyone had not yet paid for their auction items from last week, please do so as soon as possible.

50/50

Gary Scofield said there was \$114 in the pot. Steve Arneson had the right ticket but the wrong chip. Chris Meiers won the \$10.

Judge Jeanne Dillner

Jeanne started off on Ian Napier, saying if he were still with the Red Lion she would be fining him for the cold room. He was glad he did not have to pay. She then asked everyone what wonderful things they had planned for the holidays. She wanted at least one response from each table, and reminded the group the proceeds today would be going to our service staff, as our tips for the year.



Ken Williams started, he said his kids keep borrowing his hand truck so it seems it is not around when he needs it. So he bought his daughters bright red hand trucks of their own.

Larry Jecha said the grandkids were coming for Christmas. Mike Winegarten said he would be sharing Christmas with his first grandson born October 30!

Tom O'Brian said his daughters were coming for the holidays and his son got a role on a couple of episodes of Greys Anatomy. Chris Meiers is going home to Kansas to visit his in-laws, but will be back to do some hiking before New Year's Day.

Barbara French will be with some family for Christmas, as will Dave Larkin. Dave's son in Spokane is working with a recently emigrated Iraqi family and is inviting them for Christmas day. Pam Larsen said she was sorry if her stray garbage can affected any of her neighbors. It went a few blocks down the street Monday because of the wind. She said her cousin was coming for Christmas, bringing four grandkids, and the rest of the family here doesn't know it. She also had a birthday last week.

Al Haggerty contributed for he and Pat's 40th wedding anniversary on Wednesday this week. They celebrated early with a trip to Victoria, BC. He added his nephew is working as an assistant producer on the next Avengers movie. Joan, Linda's guest, was looking forward to their first Christmas in Richland. Linda is also spending time with family. Larry Lowry handmade a card and had a gift for his wife for their 50th anniversary of their first date. Jerry McGuire is taking his grandkids to see the new Star Wars movie.

Darryl Johnson said his family has a Christmas eve tradition of gathering. He reported a new grandchild born 4 months ago and his youngest daughter is due to deliver on Christmas. He also mentioned a speeding ticket picked up recently on the way to Seattle.

To wind up, Jan Griffin noted last year at Christmas she found out about the cancer of her almost-a daughter and this year her sister had a stroke, but she won't let these things dampen her spirit of Christmas, as it is bigger than that.

Jean reminded the group about the Holiday party Wednesday, December 20 at the Goose Ridge Winery at 4:30 pm to 6:00pm (or so) come out for some wine and nibbles. Also there is no meeting next week.

Program

Chris Meiers came forward to introduce Becky Burghart, of the National Park Service as today's speaker. She is the sole National Park Service employee in Richland for the new Manhattan Project National Historic Park (MPNHP) and just moved here. She was wondering about being told this was the sunny side of Washington State!

The new Park was authorized in December 2014 and established in November or 2015. It was the 409th National Park unit. As we well know, the Hanford site is one of the three parts of the park along

Richland Rotary Members

Judy Addis (7/89)	Pam Larsen (2/95)	Mike Winegardner (11/09)
Steve Arneson (3/02)	Bob Larson (6/90)	Jacqui Wright (12/13)
Jeremy Asmus (10/07)	Phil Lemley (6/06)	
Bob Best (4/90)	Tim Lewis (10/03)	
David Billetdeaux (7/17)	Yosen Liu (1/91)	
Tom Bock (3/76)	Larry Lowry (10/05)	
Gordon Bopp (5/04)	Patrick McBurney (6/09)	
Blaine Carr (12/09)	Jerry McGuire (3/95)	
David Chevey-Reynaud (4/17)	Chris Meiers (12/15)	
Travis Clifton (10/16)	Kathy Miller (6/12)	
Jordyn Creighton (6/17)	Ian Napier (11/08)	
Jeanne Dillner (8/01)	Bob Nichols (8/97)	
Barbara French (11/98)	Debbie Nogueras (8/15)	
Julie Funfar (7/13)	Greg Oberg (1/88)	
Linda Gilmore (4/12)	Tom O'Brien (11/98)	
Jan Griffin (9/00)	Jon Putz (5/81)	
Linda Gustafson (3/08)	Cynthia Reents (6/09)	
Al Haggerty (4/12)	Dick Richter (6/08)	
Patricia Haggerty (4/12)	Robert Rivera (7/09)	
Dewayne Halstad (8/16)	Gary Scofield (2/75)	
Pat Hollick (8/10)	Rick Schulte (6/14)	
Diahann Howard (4/08)	Anjan Sen (11/96)	
Tom Huntington (5/16)	Chris Senske (1/80)	
Jan Jackson (6/00)	Bill Siefken (4/87)	
Larry Jecha (8/97)	Mike Sinclair (1/11)	
Darrel Johnsen (8/97)	Chris Smith (8/10)	
Stan Jones (10/07)	Mark Smith (3/01)	
Roy Keck (10/04)	Bob Tibbatts (6/03)	
Scott Keller (7/02)	Greg Tripp (6/11)	
Shelley Kennedy (9/02)	Cynthia Vaughn (12/14)	
Danielle Kleist (3/17)	Sam Volpentest (1/95)	
Phillip Koech (8/13)	Tom Watkins (9/11)	
Art Kohler (2/87)	Ken Williams (12/00)	
Dave Larkin (4/04)	Hal Williamson (4/88)	

Honorary Members **Bob DeLorenzo, General** **James Mattis & Tom Cowan**

Number of Members **as of July 1, 2017**

75

Current Members:

70

Gained:

David Billetdeaux

Lost:

Bruce Carlisle, Mike McAndrew,
James Watson, James Bauer



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with Los Alamos, New Mexico and Oak Ridge, Tennessee with the Headquarters in Denver, CO. The Foundation Document, was completed in February 2017. Becky said there is a compelling story to be told. Another odd thing about this Park is that the Park Service does not own any of the land or structures. All ownership remains with the Department of Energy

The Manhattan Project National Historical Park preserves and interprets the nationally significant historic sites, stories, and legacies associated with the top-secret race to develop an atomic weapon during World War II, and provides access to these sites consistent with the mission of the Department of Energy. Nor will they curate any of the artifacts, they will remain with the institutions where they currently reside, like the DOE archives and organizations like the Hanford Reach. The Park Service will help with interpretive activities and increasing access to the sites.

The three primary themes for the park are:

- The “secret cities” created for the Manhattan Project, and the sacrifice and displacement connected to them, exemplified this massive wartime effort and demonstrate remarkable opportunities to reflect on the extraordinary lengths to which people and nations go to protect their futures.
- The revolutionary science and engineering that fueled the race to create the world’s first atomic weapon make these places a powerful illustration of technological innovation and collaboration, and offer guidance and insight into solving today’s complex problems.
- From beginning to end, the Manhattan Project, its World War II context, and the many complex decisions that led to the incomprehensible destructive power of nuclear weapons prompts us to confront the profound choices and consequences that the world continues to struggle with today.

In the coming year, Ms. Burghart plans to add an education tech to help develop interpretive materials for the site. She will also develop and implement a volunteer program and hopes next year to hire a “Teacher-Ranger-Teacher” who is a teacher that becomes a Park Ranger in the summer and goes back to being a teacher taking the lessons of the park back to the classroom. They want to work with the Reach and other organizations in the area.



ATTENDANCE, A ROTARY COMMITMENT **Meeting Dates of Local Clubs**

Richland Riverside.....	Monday, Noon Anthony's Columbia Pt Richland
Richland.....	Tuesday, Noon: Richland Red Lion
Pasco/Kennewick.....	Wednesday, Noon: Clover Island Inn Kennewick
Columbia Valley Daybreak..	Thursday, 7 am: CG Public House Kennewick
Columbia Center.....	Thursday, Noon: Bingo Boulevard Kennewick
Tri-Cities Sunrise.....	Friday, 7 am: Red Lion Pasco

Also in the plan is improving visitor experience at the B Reactor and developing better visitor information on the National Park Service Website. They also have a Civil Rights Grant to document the experience of African Americans in the Manhattan Project. There is still much work to do to organize all the threads of the stories and their context. The idea is to present the information and let visitors make their own conclusions, rather than telling people what to think.

Hal's Humor

What do you call a kid who doesn't believe in Santa?

A rebel without a Claus

What do you call an elf wearing ear muffs?

Anything you want. He can't hear you...

What do you call a bunch of chess players bragging about their games in a hotel lobby?

Chess nuts boasting in an open foyer

How did the ornament get addicted to Christmas?

He was hooked on trees his whole life

What nationality is Santa Claus?

North Polish

How does Good King Wenceslas like his pizzas?

Deep pan, crisp and even!

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•The below photos were taken at the Christmas
•party on December 20th. Club member, Robert
•Rivera, secured a place for the Richland Rotarians
•at Goose Ridge Estate Vineyard & Winery.
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