



Club Meeting

**Bremerton
Meets at Olympic
College, Building 10
1600 Chester Ave.
Bremerton, WA 98337
Time: Monday at 11:45
AM**

Speakers

September 23, 2024

Danessa Grey

Bremerton Zine Fest

September 30, 2024

Elliot Birkley

**Rebound exchange
student from Bolivia**

October 07, 2024

Iita Yli-Kuha

**Finnish exchange
student**

Events

No Events found

Birthdays

WILLIAM M. M Roberts

September 25th

James Crawford

September 28th

Denise Landis

October 4th

Kade Platta

October 4th

Deborah Jackson

October 17th

Years of Service

Steven M. Rice

06-01-1990

35 Years

Karen McKay Bevers

06-01-2012

13 Years

Caroline Rivers

06-04-2015

10 Years

Daryl Wayne Matheny

06-22-2017

8 Years

Laura McKerrow

05-31-2020

5 Years



From the meeting of 9/16/2024

BY STEVE LANDAU

REFLECTION



Kevin Pentz reflected on the memorial service he attended recently for a dear friend's father. He was a dedicated member of the community, and Kevin was reminded of the thoughtful contributions people like him make. He did those things not for recognition, but because it was the right thing to do.

VISITORS & GUESTS



Steve Rice and granddaughter Ruth

Mary Lou Long

Ruth Kratzer, Steve Rice's almost 3-year-old granddaughter

Carlita Algeria, Bremerton Housing Authority, speaker

Betsy Hagestedt, Bainbridge Artist and Resource Network

Iita Yli-Kuha, inbound exchange student from Finland.

MUSIC COMMITTEE

Tim Quigley was returning home via the ferry Saturday afternoon and noticed the Husky fans were not in much of a celebratory mood and penned these lyrics. He wrote the following song:

To the tune of: Streets of Laredo
*As I walked out in the streets of Seattle
As I walked down the streets Saturday
I spied a football fan in sorrow and mourning
His team had just lost, and his heart was breaking.*

*I see you wear purple - a fan of the U-Dub
And I saw some bruises as he sat near-by.
"Come sit here be-side me and hear my frustration.
Please buy me a beer and in it I'll cry."*

*We left the Pac Twelve for financial gain.
And joined the Big Ten for power, riches and fame.
We thought we were big Dawgs but lost to the Cougars
We fell short to our everlasting shame.*

*We needed but one yard to win the Apple Cup
With fourth down and one to go for a score
But fell short and we could not get across the goal line.
Now the apple we're left with is only the core.*

SERGEANT & HAPPY BUCKS

Doug Berger was the sergeant and he asked for happy bucks.

Dennis Treger rose, with a extra money in hand, anticipating he'd have to pay for the Cougs' win in the Apple Cup. Dennis pointed out that not only did the Cougs win 24-19, they covered the 6.5 betting spread. He was happy the Huskies helped the cause with their 16 penalties.

Reama Schudt enjoyed a trip to Victoria last weekend with her husband and son to celebrate their 11th wedding anniversary. They stayed at the same B&B where they spent their honeymoon. Reama did her 13th art installation Saturday in Tacoma.

John Stockwell enjoyed spending a "fantastic weekend" at the Seabeck Conference Center with the district's exchange students. Even Mother Nature looked out for them, and they were able to stay dry for all their activities.

Dave and Sharon Anderson enjoyed a road trip which included a reunion in Kelowna, B.C., with folks they met six years ago on a cruise in France. Then they headed to Montana for a family reunion.

President Karen had a happy buck for **Past President Geoff**, who was going to conduct the last part of the meeting because she had to leave early. **President-Elect Marin Solace** will be taking her place next week while she's off on a family vacation to Hanford and tour of the nuclear reactor. Different strokes for different folks?

Jim Cline enjoyed visiting the Typewriter Fever store in the Charleston Business District, where there is a great display of the history of typewriters (used for word processing before computers). He invited members to park on Callow Avenue and see the trees our club is paying to have planted.

Larry Eyer enjoyed attending two "cool" events last Friday. The first was the two-hour orientation session for AVID mentors at BHS, including many Rotarians. Later that day, he attended a fundraising event at Coffee Oasis.



Jean Mitchell reported that **Walt Draper**, who is doing intensive physical therapy in South Carolina after suffering a fall, will be back in town on Oct. 2.

Then, **Sergeant Berger** went to work. He asked all the Coug alumni to stand. **Dennis Treger** and **Karen McKay-Bevers** were the only ones in the room. Doug acknowledged that the Cougs played an excellent game in besting his Huskies, but then reminded them of the Huskies' long-time dominance

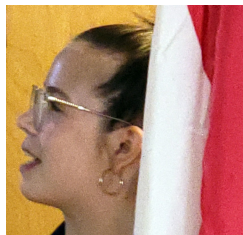
of their Apple Cup rivals.

The comparison:

Trips to Rose Bowl: Huskies 14, Cougs 4
National championships: Huskies 2, Cougs 0
Total bowl games: Huskies 42, Cougs 18
Largest margin in Apple Cup history: Huskies 41, Cougs 3

Doug said he had so much fun "setting the record straight" that he donated 60 bucks of his own money and left the podium.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION



Jita Yli-Kuha, our inbound exchange student from Finland, gave a brief presentation with slides on a three-day visit to New York City with other Finnish exchange students. Apparently this is an annual tradition for the inbound Finnish students before they arrive in their host towns. She enjoyed walking through Central Park, visiting the Statue of Liberty and seeing the Broadway musical "Moulin Rouge."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kyle Kincaid has been serving as interim treasurer to fill in for **Laura McKerrow**, who has moved to Florida to be nearer to her mom. According to a list Laura sent Kyle, there are 23 club members who weren't current in their dues as of July 1. He also needs volunteers to fill-in at the check-in desk prior to meetings. **President**

Karen said in the future, dues will be automatically deducted from members' accounts. **James LeRoy** has volunteered to step in permanently to the treasurer's position and he was given unanimous approval by the club. Thanks, James, you are filling a big need.

Jill Stanton was awarded her permanent blue badge after meeting the requirements for red badgers.

PROGRAM



Jill Stanton, Executive Director of the Bremerton Housing Authority, and a member of our club, gave a presentation on the role her agency plays in both finding housing for low-income residents in our community and providing them with vital services. BHA partners with many community agencies to provide these services. The primary means of providing housing is through vouchers tied to a specific property. BHA projects awarding 300-350 project-based vouchers and hopes to allocate another 100-150. The vouchers do not guarantee a spot in housing, but BHA assists applicants in finding rentals. BHA manages some of the apartment units itself, such as Pendleton Place (owned by Kitsap Mental Health Services) and the Evergreen Bright units targeted at young adults ages 18-24. They are also partnering with the Bremerton School District for a brand-new housing project, Wheaton Landing, to house homeless families with school-age children.



Carita Algeria, BHA's longest-serving employee, also spoke to us about BHA's CMS division, or Contract Management Services. They serve as the performance-based contract administrator for the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development. They provide oversight for multi-family apartments, with the money earned going to the BHA.

DRAWING

Frequent flyer **John Stockwell** drew the winning card, but didn't get the Ace of Spades, which **Past President Geoff** had designated for the day.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Sept. 23: **Danessa Grey**, Bremerton Zine Fest
Sept. 30: **Elliot Birkley**, exchange student back from Bolivia
Oct. 7: **Iita Yli-Kuha**, our inbound exchange student from Finland
Oct. 14: NO MEETING (Indigenous People/Columbus Day)

EXCHANGE STUDENT NEWS



Photo shows BHS student, Nora Ramstad, Larry Eyer, and Iita Yli-Kuha, our inbound from Finland kayaking.

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