

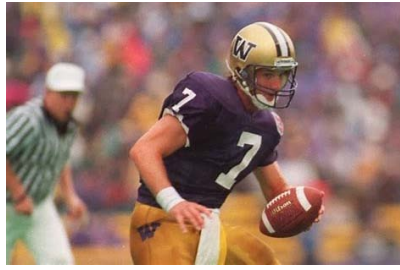
Rotary



Club of Olympia

Next Club Meeting Date: Nov. 14, 2022

By Dan Lehuta



Our speaker for the meeting of November 14th will be Damon Huard, Director of Community and External Relations, University of Washington athletics. As a football quarterback, Damon played for the university and was part of the 1991 National Championship team. By the time Damon left UW, he was the Huskies all-time passing leader with 5,692 yards. Perhaps one of his most memorable games was against the Miami Hurricanes in the Orange Bowl. The under-dog Huskies beat Miami by 18 points and halted a 9-year and 58 games home winning streak for the Hurricanes.

From the Dawgs to the NFL, Damon played for the Cincinnati Bengals, Miami Dolphins, New England Patriots, Kansas City Chiefs and the San Francisco 49ers. Damon has the distinction of owning 2 Super Bowl Championship rings.

For you wine drinkers, you should know that Damon along with fellow teammate Dan Marino have a winemaking venture in Woodinville appropriately called "Passing Time".

NOTICE - We are now meeting regularly at the River's Edge restaurant at the Tumwater Valley Golf Course. [Map It!](#) Click [HERE](#) to download the current River's Edge lunch menu.

Scroll down to view most recent wheels and other announcements.

Meeting of 11-7-2022 Lt. Governor Denny Heck

By Robert Heck on Tuesday, November 8, 2022

Our speaker for this meeting was WA State Lt. Governor Denny Heck. Mr. Heck spoke about the Washington State Business Readiness Study. **Rotary Club of Olympia**
The Wheel

Date: 11/07/2022

Today's Program: Lieutenant Governor Denny Heck

Meeting Called to order: President Elect Debra @ 12:30 pm

Invocation by: N/A

Pledge of Allegiance led by: Laurie Tebo

Song: N/A

Four Way Test led by: Cindy Hough

Visiting Rotarians:

None.

Guest of Rotarians:

Several guests joined us today, including Olivia Hickerson, the Executive Director of Sidewalk. This month the club will induct Olivia as a member.

Announcements:

Salvation Army/Rotary Club of Olympia Bell Ringing: Our club will ring the Salvation Army bell on December 17. Please consider volunteering for a shift.

Cool Jazz, Clean Water: Tickets are \$50 and t-shirts are \$25. This is the 20th year of the event. If you'd like to volunteer at the event, please sign-up.

Happy Bucks hosted by **Lynn Heinold**

Cindy Hough: Ralph Munro was recently honored by the Consulate General of Japan – Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon. Ralph is still at Panorama and continues to make solid progress towards being 100% healthy.

Oscar Soule: Wonderful trip celebrating Barb's 80th birthday to the East Coast and Paris.

Laurie Tebo: Celebrated her birthday last week.

Steve Bean: Carl Rader Award Nominations are open, please submit names for consideration.

Program: Lieutenant Governor Denny Heck

Former Washington State Supreme Court Chief Justice Gerry Alexander introduced Lieutenant Governor Heck. In January 2021 he was sworn in as the 17th Lieutenant Governor. In this role, he is the second highest statewide elected official. As Lieutenant Governor, he is the President of the Washington State Senate and Chair of the Senate Rules Committee. He also serves as Acting Governor whenever Governor Inslee is out of the state. Lieutenant Governor Heck currently serves on the Advisory Committee of the Export Import Bank of the United States and is a member of the Governor's Council of Economic Advisors.

Lieutenant Governor Heck previously served as the first United States Representative from Washington's 10th Congressional District. While in Congress, he served on the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, the House Financial Services Committee, and the Joint Economic Committee.

Prior to his service in Congress, Lieutenant Governor Heck successfully grew several small businesses in Washington State. One of those small businesses, which specializes in workplace education, started in Olympia with only two employees and grew to more than 300 people throughout the United States. A strong advocate of open government, in 1993 Lieutenant Governor Heck cofounded TVW to provide the people of Washington State greater accessibility to their state government. TVW has grown into the nation's preeminent statewide public affairs network.

Early in his career, Lieutenant Governor Heck served his community in the State House of Representatives. Elected to five terms, he was chosen by his colleagues to serve as House Majority Leader before retiring in 1986. While in the State House, Lieutenant Governor Heck was one of the prime authors of the state's historic Basic Education Act. After his time in the Legislature, he served as Chief of Staff to Governor Booth Gardner during his second term.

Lieutenant Governor Heck gave a presentation about the Washington State Business Readiness Study. The study, coordinated by the Office of Lieutenant Governor, was overseen by a bi-cameral, bi-partisan group of state leaders who looked at the state of Washington's economy and focused on identifying business readiness issues. The three big ideas which the report concluded are essential to ensuring Washington state can continue to grow its competitive economy are: Build more housing of all types that are affordable to all residents; Equip the workforce for success and close the skills gap; Revitalize entrepreneurship (and make it easier to do business). The goal of this study is to provide data and solutions that will guide the work of the state legislature, federal representatives as well as regional and local municipal leaders and entities.

Here is a link to the full study and supporting documents: <https://www.ltgov.wa.gov/2022-business-competitiveness-analysis>

The meeting was recorded, if you would like to see the recording, please contact Neil.

Mr. Snappy: Jim Kainber (proxy by Colleen Gillespie) won a \$25 Browser's Bookstore gift certificate donated by Christy Peters.

Meeting Adjourned: 1:25 pm by President Elect Debra

Cool Jazz is back - November 19, 2022

By Dan Lehuta on Monday, September 26, 2022



The Rotary Clubs of Thurston County is bringing back Cool Jazz - Clean Water. Save the date of November 19, 2022. During the day, enjoy the music as local school bands perform on the Washington Center stage and receive feedback from a panel of professional musicians.

If you would like to volunteer to work with the bands during the day or during the tasting event in the evening, click [HERE](#) to find out more.

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. – FREE!

Later that evening, listen as professional jazz musicians take the stage while you enjoy the local Wine, Microbrew and Spirits Tasting Event.

To download a PowerPoint presentation of this event, click [HERE](#). Once downloaded, open the file and start the slideshow.
