

ROTARY CLUB OF TACOMA #8

We are bringing together business and professional leaders to provide humanitarian services, to encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and to advance goodwill and peace around the world.

The Gearshift is a weekly publication to inform members of current events in the Rotary Club of Tacoma #8.







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This week's meeting:

12-1pm

La Quinta Inn & Suites 1425 East 27th St Tacoma, WA 98421





The Idea Committee Inclusion **D**iversity **E**quity and **A**ccessibility will be presenting a report titled "ROTARY CLUB OF TACOMA #8.

Recommendations for the continued sustainability of Inclusion, **D**iversity, **E**quity, and **A**ccessibility within the volunteer-based organization". The report presents the opportunity for reflection and dialogue about how to foster an inclusive Rotary 8.

The presentation will be followed by table discussions.





Barbara Wyatt









Thursday January 9, 2025 Greater Tacoma Convention Center

If you are interested in sponsoring a table, please visit our website or click on the sign-up button.





Virtual streaming of Tacoma Rotary Club meetings can be viewed on



Thanksgiving begins the season of warm thoughts, good wishes and acts of charity and we are so proud of the generous Rotarians who selected 140 gifts and gift cards from our Giving Garland to brighten the lives of children. If you would still like to participate we can always use gift cards to donate to the agencies just bring the cards to the meeting on Thursday. For those of you who purchased gifts, all gifts must be returned by December 5. Thanks to these amazing members; John Bailey, Miriam Barnett, Sharon Benson, Dan Bogart, Linda Kaye Briggs, Marsha Burns, Amanda Burrows, Adam Cook, Cynthia Darland, Mike Dunbar, Carol Duris, Becky Fontaine, Brenda Gasper, Jeff Gellert, Paula Gracia, Cindy Grady, Whitney Grisaffi, Lori Harnick, Andrea Grosso Holdcroft, Cathy Hall, Don Hansen, Doug Hedger, Jim Henderson, Corey Hjalseth, Jenn Jensen, Michele Johnson, Doug Jonson, Diane Kelleher, Harrison Laird, Dorothy Lewis, Jim Merritt, Kathryn Nelson, Stacey Ogle, Jessica Pichora, Gil Quante, Greg Rolsma, John Schneider, Terri Scott, Jim Shoemake, Sherri Stanton, Jim Tanasse, Diane Tilstra, Larry Treleven, Alex Trettin, Rick Triggs, Amy Weaver, Carol Webster, Carolyn Weyrick, Tiffany Williams, Kirsten Willis, Kathi Willis, and Dan Wirth.

Thanks for bringing a smile to the faces of the children served by Catholic Community Services, Communities in Schools, Tacoma Rescue Mission, and YWCA!

Doug Jonson and Kathi Willis Giving Garland Co-Chairs

JAMES M HARRIS LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



The nominees for the Lifetime Achievement Awards are due **December 5th** and must be received at the Rotary office by 5pm to be considered. Nomination forms can be found in your yellow folders and online.

Each year, our club recognizes a Rotarian who is providing exemplary commitment to the club through service activities as well as financial support. It is important to recognize the quality and quantity of service to the club, and nominees must have been a Rotarian for 20 years. Additional factors that could be considered is service to the local and global community.

This will be our Seventh award, previous winners include Cap Pearson, Jim Harris, Jim Henderson, Jim Whitacre, Mike Dunbar and Kathi Willis.

This person will be honored at our meeting on **January 23, 2025**. The awardee will receive a suitable framed certificate, and a monetary prize of \$500 will be donated and made payable to a charity of the recipient's choice.

Nomination Forms Are Due This Thursday December 5th













Saturday December 7, 2024 10:00am – 1:00pm

4009 South 56th Street Tacoma, WA 98409

SIGN UP

Friday Dec 13, 2024 11:00am – 2:00pm

> 425 South Tacoma Way Tacoma, WA 98402



SIGN UP



Saturday Dec 14, 2024 12:00pm – 2:30pm

3318 92ND Street South Lakewood, WA 98402

SIGN UP









2024 Toys for Kids - Shopping Night



TOYS FOR KIDS is celebrating its 34th year of providing holiday joy to patients and siblings at Mary Bridge Children's Hospital!

Mary Bridge Children's team members do an amazing job identifying families and gathering wish lists for our late-night shopping spree so volunteer shoppers can pick out perfect gifts for the kids.

The shopping night will be on Thursday, December 12th starting at 9pm at the Tacoma Target. We invite you and your family to join us for this fun experience while making a difference for the kids at Mary Bridge.







TIFFANY WILLIAMS
GIL QUANTE

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ROGER LEE 36 YEARS
KATHLEEN WILLIS 26 YEARS
GREG ROLSMA 20 YEARS
DEBBIE REGALA 17 YEARS