

# The Appleseed

Official Newsletter of Wenatchee  
Rotary  
Since 1921



This week

**This week: Noon Thursday, April 10**



**The meeting will be held at  
PYBUS EVENT CENTER**

ZOOM Link <https://zoom.us/j/484306077>  
Watch for text alerts/reminders.



Lunch is available from The Paradise.

#### **MENU**

- 11 Alambres burritos
- 11 Chicken wraps

Submit Appleseed stories [here](#).

**This week, 04/10/25 - Our Club's Future - P/E Rachel Evey**

## **OUR CLUB'S FUTURE.**



Wenatchee Rotary Club has been actively supporting our local community and global initiatives for over 100 years. What does the future hold for us? President-Elect Rachel Evey will share a vision for the club and how *you* can be involved. This is the culmination of Multi-Year Planning with the Rotary District and Club Member Survey from last year. Come with your ideas, recommendations, and enthusiasm.

Rachel becomes club president officially on July 01.

## CLASSIFICATION TALK.



Linda Parlette seemed elated to introduce Amanda Keller, a member we thought we had lost, but fortunately returned to us. Amanda used a PowerPoint slide show to introduce the club to her family and her career at Blue Bird fruit company. Amanda joined the club originally in April 2016, sponsored by President Jim Russell. After leaving soon thereafter for personal reasons, she returned to us in February 2024.



[WATCH ZOOM VIDEO](#)

Amanda spoke proudly of her parents and her 3 daughters before getting into her fascinating career at Blue Bird, where she ultimately became responsible for the company's parade floats. That career change began in 2019 when she convinced the Blue Bird president to enter a float in the 100th anniversary parade, for which they took 3rd place. She has come to love Apple Blossom time as her favorite season. Next, she planned the Blue Bird float for the Autumn Leaf festival in Leavenworth. This led to more float-building experiences plus displays for Veterans' Day.



Her career



Her education



Her first parade float project - 2019

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## News and announcements 04/03/25

### WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL FUNDRAISER.



Jennifer Devereaux again brought two WestSide High School students to appeal for support of the May 15 Annual Spaghetti Feed/Silent Auction, which supports a student battling cancer. Tickets are \$15 for the event also featuring live music and a live auction.



### ENVIRO NEWS.



Enviro Chair Natalie Williams encouraged participation at the upcoming Sustainable NCW [Earth Day Fair](#) being celebrated April 19 at Wenatchee Valley College near the central fountain, 10 AM - 2 PM.

There will be 60 booths, entertainment, multiple fun runs and bike rides, and other activities.

Natalie has also discovered some recent encouraging news on [glass recycling](#).



### INTERACT CLUB NEWS.



Dues paid to our club support the Wenatchee High School Interact Club, an official arm of Rotary. We have supported them for more than 20 years, helping them to learn about Rotary and to develop leadership skills.

Our Interact Club continues to amaze us. Among the many service projects they have done recently is one very special project described by Laurie Flarity-White with her photo slide show. Laurie meets regularly with approximately 35 kids and was very impressed as they assembled 150 kits with hygiene items costing about \$1200, money they raised through various service projects.

Watch zoom video to see other images. Laurie loves working with Interact because it makes her feel 10 years younger!





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## GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS.



Joe St. Jean announced that grant applications are now being accepted by our Wenatchee Rotary Foundation (WRF) through April for Community Outreach projects. Information is posted on [our website](#).

Scholarship applications are now being reviewed by the Scholarship Committee which hopes to award 5 very soon.

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## PROPOSED NEW MEMBER.

The board and the membership committee have approved the membership application of Rochelle Bowman of Cashmere. She has recently relocated here from California to be closer to family. She has been our guest at several recent meetings, introduced by her biking buddy, Ken Robertson.

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## DISTRICT AND OTHER NEWS.



PP Mike Kintner presided in the absence of President Andy Petro and explained the absence of our zoom-tech expert Madeline Barclay. We were saddened to learn that she lost her only brother this week, unexpectedly.

Mike also gave an update on many important District 5060 events, some of which can be found in the March bulletin [here](#). Watch the Zoom video for his full summary.

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## LOOKING BACK.

Regarding the recent MLB controversy on baseball bats, learn what Dr. Lloyd Smith thinks. Our recent speaker from WSU has been in the news with comments about the sudden uptick in home runs by teams using the new "torpedo bats". [Click here](#).

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## WRF Board Elections

The Wenatchee Rotary Foundation (WRF) Board of Directors is seeking Rotary Club of Wenatchee members to serve on the WRF Board of Directors, starting July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2028. The WRF Nominating Committee (Roberta Alley, Judy Conner and Ken Robertson) would like members of the Club to run for one open WRF Board position. The members of the Rotary Club of Wenatchee will then vote for and elect one Club member to serve on the WRF Board at the Annual Meeting of the Wenatchee Rotary Foundation, scheduled for Thursday,

May 15, 2025.

Please e-mail [WenatcheeRotaryFoundation@gmail.com](mailto:WenatcheeRotaryFoundation@gmail.com) if you want to be a candidate for the one open WRF Board position. If you want to be a candidate, please respond to these four questions by Friday, April 18, 2025:

Questions for Wenatchee Rotary Foundation (WRF) Board Candidates


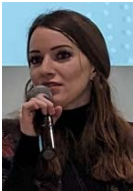


- 1. How long have you been a Rotarian in the Rotary Club of Wenatchee
- 2. How long have you been a Rotarian, overall?
- 3. Which boards, committees or service projects have you previously been involved in? (does not have to be Rotary).
- 4. What would your closest friend say is your best character trait?

**Greeters, Calendar & Other Notes**

View [ATTENDANCE](#) for recent meetings.

**Greeters**  
(List changes weekly)  
[Greeter Guidelines](#)

If you miss your turn, please greet at your next meeting!

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| 4/10/2025   | Bethany   | Jon   | Barbara  |
| 4/17/2025   | Ballard   | Baldock   | Bohart   |
| 4/24/2025   | Bridges   | Bishop  | Blair  |

Check out the upcoming events for the Club, District 5060, and Rotary International.

**Calendar of Events**  
(log into DACdb for full calendar)

**June 20-25- RI Convention Calgary**  
[Calgary, June 22-25](#)  
see stories/calendar

Monthly Board meetings  
3rd Tuesday, 4 PM  
Contact the [Secretary](#) for more info.

All members are welcome.

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