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April Meetings

30th 5th Tuesday Social Crowe Winery

Preliminaries

President Terri rang the bell at precisely twelve noon, the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Grant McCallum.

Justin changed the pace today by foregoing a song for a poem. Monday, April 15th, is a date all Americans keep on their calendar. In celebration of tax day, Justin shared a reading of "Taxes" by Edgar Guest. Guest wrote the poem in the latter part of the 19th century. He indicates that although no one likes taxes they all agree they do want roads, fire fighters, police protections, and so many other municipal services that are paid for with taxes. Guest concluded his local taxes were well spent. (Editor note: Guest wrote the poem prior to the enactment of the federal income tax. Just saying.) PO Box 37 • Richland, WA 99352 Meetings every 1st & 3rd Tuesday at noon. Richland Holiday Inn • 802 GW Way Charter 7390 • District 5080 • Club ID #262

Invocation

Greg Oberg offered thoughts on the value of service in what are dire situations in many parts of the world. He offered thanks for being able to provide service through Rotary volunteer programs worldwide.

Visiting Rotarians and Guests

Tim Ruybalid was visiting from the Walla Walla Noon Club. Denise Buelt was joined by her son Evan. Terri introduced past member, Kristy Fargher, and assured her she would be welcome to return to the club. Terri again introduced her daughter, Amanda Le Blanc. Elisa Holt joined Tara Divers for today's meeting.

Announcements

Terri reminded the members that registration is open for the Rotary District 5080 conference. It is to be held May 2 thru 4 in Coeur d'Alene at the resort. Registration is open and ongoing. More details to be found on the district 5080 website.

Terri also shared with the club that while the number of Duck Race tickets sold by Richland members went up last year the total revenue

Paul Harris Fellows

Judy Addis (8S)(B) Steve Arneson (8S) Jeremy Asmus (4S) Jim Bauer (4MD)(B) Linda Bauer (4MD)(B) **Denise Buelt** Blaine Carr (8S) Andrew Cook Tom Cowan (4S)(B) Bill Crowe (8S) Yousef Farawila Heillie Den Hoed Lance Dissel Barbara French (8S)(D) Jan Griffin (2S) Linda Gustafson Diahann Howard (2S) Jan Jackson (3S)

Larry D. Jecha (2S) Darrel Johnsen (3S) Roy Keck (5S) Phillip Koech Dave Larkin (8S)(D) Pamela Larsen (5S)(B) Bob D. Larson (5S)(B) Terri LeBlanc Charles LoPresti Grant McCallum (5S) Jerry J. McGuire (1S)(B) Ian Napier (1S) Greg Oberg (6S) (B) Tom O'Brien (2S) Justin Raffa Dick Richter (5S) Chris Senske (6R) Mike Sinclair (1S)

Chris Smith Mark Smith (7S)(B) Bob Tibbatts (5S) Sam R. Volpentest (8R)(B) Ken Williams (8S) Mike Winegardner Jacqui Wright Joan Wright (2S)

(B) Benefactor
(D) Diamond PHF
(DD) Dbl. Diamond PHF
(R) Ruby
(#R) Multiple Ruby
(S) Sapphire
(MD) Major Donor

Officers

President	Terri LeBlanc
President Elect	Justin Raffa
Secretary	Mike Winegardner
Treasurer	Dick Richter
Foundation Treasurer	Andrew Cook
Past President	Jan Jackson

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Fellowship & Fund Raising	gJustin Raffa
International Service	Linda Gustafson
Meeting Service	Grant McCallum
Membership	Blaine Carr
New Generations	Joan Wright
Public Relations	Allison Ball

actually went down due to rising costs. The board is discussing other fundraising opportunities and welcomes member input.

The 5th Tuesday social will be held April 30 from 5 to 7 at Crowe Wines outside Benton City. The address is 10707 West Acord Road, Benton City. The function will be held at the Crowe home at that address.

New Member

Terri was proud to introduce her daughter, Amanda (aka Mandi) Le Blanc. Terri shared that their last names are a little different. Terri spells her name LeBlanc and Mandi spells Le Blanc with a space separating Le and Blanc. It was a problem with spelling of the last name on Terri's driver's license. Mandi is a high energy, enthusiastic individual who looks forward to additional opportunity to serve our community. She is currently the Director of Meals on Wheels. Blaine Carr, membership chairman and Mandi's uncle, performed the induction ceremony ending with asking the group to recite the 4 Way Test. Mandi said she is excited to meet all the members and give service to the community through Rotary.



50/50 Raffle

Mark C Smith pulled the winning number held by Roy Keck. No luck winning the \$34 jackpot. Roy then drew the ticket held by Stephanie Walton for the \$10 prize.

Judge Presiding Jim Bauer

No lapel pins, \$1.00. President Terri said she wasn't sure if this was a brag or a confession, but she and her significant other had to walk home after a fun visit to the Bauer's.

Jim Bauer was pleased that he and Linda enjoyed time in Seattle with their three children and six grandchildren.

Grant McCallum bragged he had foiled the attempts of scammers.

Ken Williams mentioned his spouse graduated from Walla Walla high. She received a scholarship from the Baker Boyer Bank in Walla Walla. Note that visiting Rotarian, Tim Ruybalid, works at that bank.

Randy Aust is proud of his wife for being admitted for graduate work at WSU.

Larry Jecha confessed the shiny new Toyota Prius in the parking lot is his.



Joan Wright gladly made a donation in honor of those who have volunteered to help during the upcoming visit by all the current Rotary district inbound exchange students.

Justin Raffa made a contribution to thank Judy Addis for bringing him a copy of Songs for a Rotary Club which was published in the late 1920's. Justin guaranteed the members would be sharing in the book by singing many songs at future meetings.

The judge concluded the session with a quiz:

What is a special Rotary International event today? Paul Harris' birthday.

Who is Paul Harris? The founder of Rotary in 1905.

What does a Rotarian need to do to receive a Paul Harris Fellowship? **Donate \$1,000 or in-kind service**. What does a Rotarian need to donate to RI to obtain major donor status? **\$10,000.** All the money from these donations go to do good in the world.

Program

Grant McCallum introduced Trish Herron, PNNL Director of Community Affairs and Protocol Trish joined PNNL in 2015 as a Senior Community Affairs Consultant and ascended to leading the group in her current position in 2021. She is tasked with coordinating and leading high-level visits and events that were critically important to building the laboratory's national, regional, and local reputation. She guided work to expand advocacy for PNNL's science and technology. Trish is committed to being active in the community and serves many local non-profit organizations.

PNNL is one of 17 national labs in the labs in the United States. The labs focus on regional and national sciences including chemistry, earth sciences, data sciences, decarbonization, energy storage, biology, and nuclear material threat assessment.

PNNL employs 6,088 people. They have a \$1.5 billion annual budget. The dollars are spent across science, energy, environment, national security, and non-DOE security. The national security mission is reducing the threat from weapons of mass effect. The science mission



advances understanding of the world around us and advances innovation for our energy future. Additionally, they focus on expanding academic and industrial partnerships.

"We are transitioning our technology to industry" stated Trish. PNNL produces one invention per day, 1.5 patents per week, and there are 99 local businesses that have their roots in PNNL since 1955. Their state-of-the-art capabilities enable world class research.

They also focus on increasing knowledge and interest in STEM through interactive learning with PNNL's STEM ambassadors. They also employ over 1,600 interns to advance STEM development interest and knowledge.

Richland Rotary Members

Judy Addis (7/89) Eric Andrews (9/18) Steve Arneson (3/02) Jeremy Asmus (10/07) Randy Aust (2/24) Allison Ball (4/23) Jim Bauer (3/19) Linda Bauer (3/19) Denise Buelt (4/23) Blaine Carr (12/09) Andrew Cook (3/19) Bill Crowe II (9/20) Bill Crowe III (3/22) Bert Day (9/22) Heillie Den Hoed (12/20) Tara Divers (9/22) Richard Evans (11/18) Yousef Farawila (1/02) Barbara French (11/98) Jan Griffin (9/00) Linda Gustafson (3/08) Michelle Holt (6/22) Diahann Howard (4/08) Tom Huntington (5/16) Jan Jackson (6/00) Larry Jecha (8/97) Darrel Johnsen (8/97) Roy Keck (10/04) Phillip Koech (8/13) David Langstaff (7/01) Whitney LaMarche (9/22) Dave Larkin (4/04)

Pam Larsen (2/95) Bob Larson (6/90) Terri LeBlanc (6/18) Amanda Le Blanc (4/24) Charles Lo Prestie (8/10) Patrick McBurney (6/09) Grant McCallum (4/19) Jerry McGuire (3/95) Kate Moran (9/20) Ian Napier (11/08) Greg Oberg (1/88) Tom O'Brien (11/98) Jennifer O'Malley (2/24) Justin Raffa (7/20) Shelley Redinger (12/20) Dick Richter (6/08) Diana Ruff (3/23) George Sanders (9/22) Jay Scott (10/19) Chris Senske (1/80) Clinton Sherman (1/22) Mike Sinclair (1/11) Roscoe Slade (1/20) Mark Smith (3/01) Bob Tibbatts (6/03) Sam Volpentest (1/95) Stephanie Walton (11/23) Ken Williams (12/00) Mike Winegardner (11/09) Jacqui Wright (12/13) Joan Wright (3/18)

Honorary Members Tom Cowan & Shirley Hankins

Current Members: 63



Finally, the employees are committed to our community through engagement in philanthropy and volunteerism. In total they have worked over 260,000 hours on community projects.

Future Meetings April 30th: 5th Tuesday Social at Crowe Winery

Attendance, A Rotary Commitment **Meeting Dates of Local Clubs**

Richland	1 st & 3 rd Tuesdays, Noon Richland Holiday Inn
Pasco/Kennewick	Wednesday, Noon Zintel Creek Golf Club Kennewick
Columbia Valley Daybreak	Thursday, 7 am: Tri-Tech, Kennewick
Columbia Center	Thursday, Noon: Bingo Boulevard Kennewick
Tri-Cities Sunrise	Friday, 7 am: CG Public House Kennewick