



Be a gift to the world.

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*“Good judgment comes from experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.”*

—Will Rogers



HELEN MADERE BRIDGE

# Rotarian

*“Having fun helping others... watering the rosebuds”*  
DR. TED SCHULZ



Bob Bard, Ed.

## Are you smarter than a 5th grader?

Nobody knows the Pilgrims landed on Plymouth Rock in 1620. No matter, Jim Mac, Betty, and Jim Larsen are fine free! Amazing “guest” president program

Neophyte Pres. Greg says each member gets one shot at running a meeting (and protecting the gavel & bell) this year. (He didn't really say all that.)

## Announcements

Greg introduces his guest, Officer Jeremy Snider, who'll provide extra security for our cherished bell and gavel. New to our town, Jeremy has served in Woodland and Berkeley.

## Tequila Y Más

Hector's not here; July 25 is the date; tickets still available.

## Hog August Bites

Lee says we're ready for Aug. 22, but he needs to pin down the City Manager, Police Chief & Rotary Pres., but Greg's too busy running city and PD, moving crashed planes that can't find the runway.

## Derek Jones & Wayne are PHF+6!

Jim Larsen's been repurposing our languishing PHF points and applying them, along with Hank Simonsen's matching funds of approx. \$100K, to make our club #1 in District 5160. Jim says we've still got \$9K available.

## Jim Mac's grandson, Boone Schulz is PHF

Greg presents ex-Pres. Jim with award for doing terrific job as Pres., last year, and for many years of outstanding service to his community.

## Milestones

Birthdays: Ken H., Betty, Dick Burkhart, Jim Lira, Ed Kingen; Wedding: Betty; Club: Joe, Lee, Jim Nordin, Greg, Jack (21 years, Rio Vista, 9 years prior.)

## Bass Derby Oct. 9-11 [Click Here to visit bassfestival.com](http://Click Here to visit bassfestival.com)

Dave passes sign-up sheet around. Greg mentions that Jeremy gets to work 16-hour shifts those 3 days, prompting Jim Mac to offer this creative, helpful and practical suggestion: have all Rotarians carry TASER's to help maintain law and order during event. Greg seizes this great idea. Of course, anyone who uses a TASER must first experience being TASED. No one volunteered, even though Greg said that you might not wet yourself and it wouldn't hurt that much while you convulsed on



*Don't even think about taking my bell or gavel... quick, Jeremy, the TASER!*



*Cheyenne Bastedo and Cole Felt recount Camp Royal activities.*

the ground.

## Confession time

Your editor mentions trip to OR to visit family and to Leavenworth, WA, to attend surprise celebration for son's 40<sup>th</sup> birthday. We put a few photos at the bottom of the bulletin to show y'all the town.

Tim spends 10 days in Hawaii, and sees thousands of Lions at convention. He's so impressed, he gives our club \$50.

Derek Jones buys new Buick at Abel's and Derek "Cub" Abel pays \$25. What a shame that Cub is absent. Thanks, Cub!

Fine free for the day, Jim McPherson announces that his daughter in Charlotte, NC, is having 3<sup>rd</sup> baby in January.

Cole had lots of birthdays at Camp Royal, so he gives \$25 to General Fund.

He'll get CPA exam results, Aug 12.

Jim McCracken attends "Guys & Dolls" at Ashland, OR, Shakespeare Festival & gives \$50 to Gen'l. Fund.

Jamie buys new Ford Explorer, lands cleaning job for dealer, and pays \$50 to General Fund.

Wayne, fine-free for a year, pays \$10 to brag on his radar detector. Chief Greg and Officer Jeremy are not impressed.

Gil fished at Sitka, AK, and netted 70 Lbs. of fillets. He mentions that he has 41 years of perfect Rotary attendance and pays \$40. He

mentions BDCP meeting to discuss upriver tunnels to divert delta waters at Jean Harvie Community Center, 14273 River Rd., Walnut Grove, 3:00-7:00 p. m., July 29.

Jack Lauds Jim Larsen for his part in our club's receiving the Rotary Presidential Citation award for most PHF's in the district, this year.

Still fired up from PETS, Greg announces that he'll hold a Club Assembly, two weeks from today, and announce some exciting new plans for this year's activities. R. I. President Ravi Ravindran spoke at PETS, saying, "Be a gift to ourselves, our community, and the world."

Jim McCracken encourages us to view his handiwork on our website at [riovistarotary.org](http://riovistarotary.org) where you'll view Pres. Greg's annual message and a slide show of ex-Pres. Jim's Demotion.

## Camp Royal inspires event for autistic kids

Betty, asks Cheyanne to describe a project conceived by students at Camp Royal to benefit autistic RVHS stu-

dents. Cheyanne is a swim coach, and she will help these kids swim in a meet just for them at our city pool. The event will take place Sunday, Aug. 2, 12:00--3:30. It will be a chance for these special needs youngsters to participate in a meet just like all other kids.

Our Rotary sent Cheyanne, Alyssa De La Rosa and two other local kids to this motivational leadership camp. There they learned how to interact with others their own ages, developing trust while helping and supporting each other. Cheyanne said she came out of her shell and said the program was excellent. She described

activities such as “The Wall”, “The Flying Squirrel,” and two parallel wires that two people must walk on together to keep from falling off.

Kudos to our own Cole Felt, a counsellor at this high energy camp. He’s considered the “glue” that makes the camp so effective. Kudos, also to Dick Burkhart, a counsellor for several days. There were 14 total counsellors.

When the one week adventure was over, nobody wanted to leave.

Fifty/fifty raffle

Molly had the right ticket, sadly the wrong marble.



*Left & center are photos of Leavenworth, WA; right, Pres. John Killian conducts inaugural meeting at Cashmere club.*

COMING ATTRACTIONS		
DATE	SPEAKER/EVENT	PROGRAM CHAIR
Friday, July 17	Bob Macalay, STA Dir., Planning/Solano County 2040 Comprehensive Transport. Plan	Linda Lannon
Friday, July 24	<b>CLUB ASSEMBLY:</b> Special Guest--Assistant District Governor Suzanne Bragdon	Greg Bowman
Friday, July 31	TBA	Tim Kubli
Friday, Aug. 7	Jon Dwyer--Hydraulic Fracking: Cure or Curse?	Bob Bard
Friday, Aug. 14	TBA	TBA