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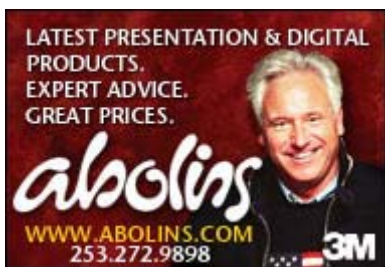
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Join Us This Thursday at the Landmark Temple Theatre When We Welcome Bill Baxter, WSA, Washington's Technology Association



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WSA is the largest state-wide association of technology companies and executives in the world. With more than 1,000 member companies representing more than 80,000 technology sector employees in Washington State, WSA is a catalyst for setting new industry directions, sharing expertise, fostering collaboration, delivering key business services, and advancing the economic value and global impact of technology companies doing business in Washington.

Mr. Baxter co-founded BSQUARE Corporation in 1994 to provide world class hardware and software solutions for companies developing intelligent computing device systems. He served as BSQUARE's Chairman and CEO from inception through Initial Public Offering. Mr. Baxter is currently focusing his energies on a new startup called SnapTune. In addition to company leadership, he is an industry visionary, frequently contributing insight for industry publications and speaking at industry events. He extends his leadership role to the community as a member of the Board of

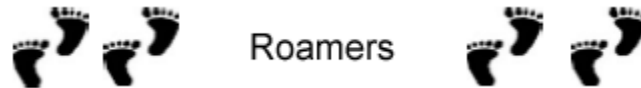
Directors of the WSA and through guidance positions other organizations and institutions including the University of Wyoming and the University of Washington. Mr. Baxter is also a recipient of the prestigious Ernst and Young Entrepreneur of the Year award.

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This Week's Helpers

Thanks so much to the people who will be helping at this week's meeting:
 Invocator - **Rick Oldenburg**
 Greeter - **Steve Jewell**
 Badge Board - **Elliot Stockstad** and **Marilyn Strickland**
 Singer - **Nita Sell**
 Piano - **Jack Warnick**
 Birthdays - **Kathleen Olson**
 Fine Counters - **Bob Bruback** and **John H. West**
 Story Writer - **Rita Morkrid**

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- Oct 04 - **Arvind Phukan** - University, Seattle
- Oct 12 - **Tony Camoroda** - Sanger
- Oct 16 - **Chad Krilich** - Tacoma Narrows
- Oct 16 - **Dave Thomas** - Fife/Milton
- Oct 17 - **Bill Kaufmann** - Tacoma Sunrise
- Oct 17 - **Roger Lee** - Tacoma Sunrise
- Oct 18 - **John Donovan** - Columbia Valley Daybreak
- Oct 25 - **John Donovan** - Columbia Valley Daybreak

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Club Anniversaries

- Ed Danz**: 25 years on October 28
- Kevin Glackin-Coley**: 1 year on November 2
- Jeff Lovely**: 36 years on October 28
- Kathryn Nelson**: 9 years on October 29
- Jim Shoemake**: 11 years on October 31

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Upcoming Meetings: Times and Places

Next Three Meetings

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THURSDAY, November 8 - Landmark Temple Theatre, Captain Clint Saner, "Day in the Life of An Army Reservist" and Veterans' Day celebration.

THURSDAY, November 15 - Landmark Temple Theatre, Norm Watts, District Governor.

THURSDAY, November 22 - **NO MEETING** due to Thanksgiving.

Committee and Other Meetings

THURSDAY, November 1 - Special Military Affairs Committee Meeting, Landmark, 11:00am.

THURSDAY, November 1 - Attendance Committee Meeting, Landmark, 11:15am.

FRIDAY, November 2 - Membership Development Committee Meeting, Tacoma Club, 7:30am.

FRIDAY, November 2 - Projects Committee Meeting, Commencement Bay Coffee Company, 25th & Jefferson, 8:00am.

TUESDAY, November 6 - Community Service Grants Committee Meeting, Elks Club - #174, 1965 South Union Avenue, 7:30am.

If you have a committee meeting that you would like listed in the GearShift please e-mail Lori Hansen at lhansen@rotary8.org.

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New Members This Week

There were no new members introduced at the October 25, 2007 meeting.

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Special Announcements

It's already that time of year...

Elections are just around the corner! Thanks to all members who cast their votes to elect the six members of the nominating committees. As a result of the voting, this year's two committees are:

Committee 1

Kathleen Olson, Chair

Pat Steel

Stan Eastberg (tie)

Committee 2

Jeff Rounce, Chair

Brien Elvins

Pamela Transue (tie)

These two committees have a busy couple of weeks ahead of them, as the slate of officer candidates will be announced Thursday, November 8. Candidate positions will include President Elect Nominee, Secretary, and Board of Directors (5 positions).

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Ballots will be mailed November 15, and results of the voting will be announced December 6. You'll see more updates in future *GearShifts*.

Please let the Rotary office know...

If you become aware of an illness or surgery of a fellow Rotarian or a passing in a Rotarian's family, or if you have had a birth or adoption take place in your family, please call (253 473 7723) or email (info@rotary8.org) the Rotary office so that appropriate acknowledgments may be made.

Parking is getting tighter!

We're sure you've noticed that parking at the Landmark has been a bit of an issue at a few recent meetings. This time of year, and through the holidays, there are increased event bookings at the Landmark. When we are aware of large events on Thursdays that may impact parking, we'll make note in the *GearShifts* and/or send email notifications. Carpooling is always a good idea. Thanks for your patience and understanding!

Congratulations!

Our very own Lori Hansen, Membership Services Coordinator of Tacoma #8, recently welcomed granddaughter Grace Elizabeth, born October 21. Gracie is the first child of Lori's daughter Ashley and son-in-law Scott and Lori's fourth grandchild.

Veterans' Day Program

We still need members to sign up to host the service men and women who'll be attending our Veterans' Day meeting on November 8. Sign-up sheets will be on the tables at the meeting this week. Contact LaTasha Wortham for more information.

Our speaker, Captain Clint Saner, Financial Advisor, Merrill Lynch, will be speaking on "A Day in the life of An Army Reservist." Clint served as a Combat Engineer Platoon Leader, Maintenance Platoon Leader, Company Executive Officer, Commander in Bosnia and Operations Officer for I Corps, and most recently in the Reserves as a Brigade Supply Officer. In Iraq he was mobilized as a Military Transition Team Advisor to the Iraqi Army. Clint's Army decorations include Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Army Commendation and Achievement Medals, the Parachutes Badge and the Combat Action Badge.

There will also be a presentation of the Chamber of Commerce "Military Person of the Year" award. Please let the Rotary office know if you plan to bring a guest.

World Community Service District Conference

On Saturday, November 17, 8 am - 5 pm at the Landmark Temple Theatre, Tacoma #8 is hosting the District 5020 World Community Services Conference.

Learn how to become more involved in WCS. Learn from colleagues how to better find and support strong and exciting projects. Find out how to tap Rotary Matching Grants for WCS projects, thus multiplying club funds. Sharpen your techniques for managing international projects and partnering with foreign host club partners.

Who should attend? Any interested Rotarian, Club WCS Chair persons, International Chairpersons, WCS Committee Members and Project Manager and all club officers should find these sessions useful. Many past attendees have relished meeting their

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fellow enthusiasts in other Rotary clubs and developing useful exchanges and some collaborative arrangements.

The registration fee of \$30 covers meals (breakfast and lunch) and materials. Registration forms will be available at the Thursday meetings. For more information, contact Mary Jo Strom Copland (mj@thetravelcompany.net) or Beverly Vincent at the Rotary office (clubadmin@rotary8.org).

"And the Winner is..."

It's that time again, fellow Tacoma 8 Rotary members! Yes, it's time to start preparing for this year's auction, our single biggest fundraising event of the year!

We had an Auction Kick-Off meeting Tuesday, October 23, 2007. Brien and Cathy Elvins have again offered up their home and hospitality for our planning meetings. The next will be November 13 at 6pm. Dinner and drinks will be served and all we ask is that everybody chip in \$5 - what a deal! It's a great time of fellowship and then we spend some time to get this "production rolling." (Plus all you Pandakas will meet some requirements and meet some great friends in the process.)

The 2008 Auction theme will be that of an "Awards Show" (i.e., Academy, Emmy's, Tony's, etc.). The title is "And the Winner is..." People can come as their favorite star, in black tie, or better yet, their favorite star in black tie. We want this to be a FUN, CLASSY and FINANCIALLY SUCCESSFUL event; the auction that is the buzz around town to generate even more interest for the following year. Who knows, instead of "Oscars" maybe we will give away "Steves"!!!

We need your help! There are many facets to the auction: sponsorship, procurement, table sales, decor, publicity and marketing, logistics, etc. Some of you may roll up your sleeves and get really involved in the actual putting it together, some of you may roll up your sleeves and write a big fat check (LOL) and others might procure many fabulous items. There is something for everyone and it takes us all to make it a smashing success!

Thanks a million for all of your help!

Carolyn McDougal, Chair 2008 Auction Committee

Blood Drive

Once again our Tacoma 8 Project Committee is teaming up with Cascade Regional Blood Services to do a blood drive. The Cascade mobile clinic will be at the Landmark at our meeting on February 21, 2008 from 11:00 to 2:00. Please mark your calendars and plan to donate. For more information contact Dean Hanks, 253-229-5487.

Here Are Some Important Facts to Know About the Ethiopia Water Project:

- \$1 becomes \$8 with matching grants from RI, World Vision, and Hilton Foundation.
- Your contribution counts toward your Paul Harris Fellowship!
- Access to clean water and sanitation in northern Ethiopia will substantially change the lives of villagers on every imaginable level. Please help us as much as you can.

- We can only accept checks made out to "Tacoma 8 International Projects." Send checks to the Rotary office or bring to a Thursday meeting.
- Contact Nita Sell or Beverly Vincent for more information.

Tacoma Rotary Foundation Committee

The Tacoma Rotary Foundation Committee has set a new goal for 2007-2008, after the club's achievement of reaching the one million dollar mark prior to the end of the 2006-2007 year. Our new goal is member participation. You will be hearing from this committee and seeing us in the lobby each quarter to encourage you to sign up for regular donations to the Foundation. Making regular quarterly donations is the easiest way to contribute to the Foundation, earn your Arthur Wickens Fellowship and help us give more money back to the club for local community service. Please consider a regular gift to the Foundation. Just \$25 per quarter will fulfill the recommended, annual \$100 donation.

Culture Vultures

We have an opportunity to see Garrison Keillor at the Broadway Center (Pantages) on January 10. David Fischer is holding 25 tickets for us at \$65.00 each. Who wants to go? Please let me know immediately...*with payment*. We'll do dinner first and have a great time at the *Prairie Home Companion*.

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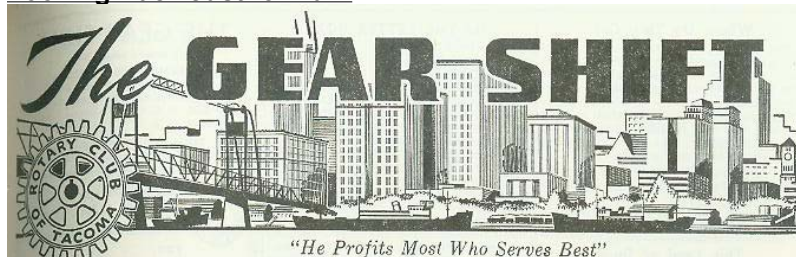
Upcoming Relationship Building Socials

The Relationship Building Committee invites all members of Tacoma 8 to join them on Thursday evenings at 5 pm in Tacoma unless otherwise noted. These socials are a great way to meet some new Rotarians or catch up with old friends. Pandakas, these meetings will fulfill your "social" requirement prior to graduation and, for all members, it's a fun way to earn attendance credits.

Nov 1 - **Asado** - 2810 6th Avenue, 253-254-0560.
Nov 8 - **St Helen's Cafe** - 203 Tacoma Ave South, 253-683-4606.
Nov 15 - **Tacoma Country & Golf Club** - 13204 Gravelly Lake Drive SW, Lakewood, 253-588-0404.

Nov 22 - **Thanksgiving - no meeting**
Nov 29 - **El Toro** - 5716 N 26th & Pearl, 253-473-3309
*There are also plans for a Gin Rummy Tournament in January.
Details to follow.*

Looking Back Just for Fun!



Here is the front story as it appeared in the November 1, 1956 *GearShift*:

Program

The Civic Affairs Committee
Bill Rieflin, Chairman

Will present the important issues appearing on the ballot at the general election next Tuesday.

SPEAKERS:

Angelo Giaudrone
Jim Woodruff
Tom Hill

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Rotary Happenings - October 25, 2007

By: Chuck Laguna



President Steve Smith, Director of Community Relations, University of Washington, Tacoma, rang the bell.

The invocation was given by **Kathleen Olson**, Executive Director, Humane Society for Tacoma and Pierce County.

The National Anthem was led by **David Fischer**, Executive Director, Broadway Center for Performing Arts, accompanied by **Barbara Mead**, Partner, Moss Adams LLP on piano.

Anniversaries: **Chad Krilich** - 1 year; **Dave Lewis** - 1 year; **Mike Medrzycki** - 13 years; **Bob Denomy** - 15 years; **Jeff Rounce** - 20 years; **Stan Eastburg** - 31 years.

President Steve welcomed our newer members, **Daryl Hembry**, Personal Trust Officer, Union Bank of California and **Pete Weikel**, Owner, Stadium Bistro who joined 2 weeks ago, and **Steve Jewell**, Deputy Director, Safe Streets Campaign, who joined 3 weeks ago.

Allan Guitar, Executive Director, The Rose House, introduced our visiting Rotarians. Roving Mics were done by **Mary Jo Strom-Copland**, Owner/President, The Travel Company, and **Don Meyer**, Executive Director, Foss Waterway Development Authority, who promoted the upcoming district WCS conference while introducing members' guests. The World Community Service Committee has 5 individuals coming from Russia to visit our club and the Tacoma area. The world conference is November 17. Registration is \$30, which covers meals and materials. Contact Mary Jo Strom-Copland or Beverly Vincent if you wish to attend. Don't forget the Ethiopian water project. Every dollar you contribute turns into \$8.00.

President Steve announced the results of the election of the nominating committee. See the results in the *Special Announcement* section.

President Steve also announced the outstanding response from members in raising funds to purchase Starbucks cards for service men and women. There is still a need for lunch sponsors for visiting service people who will be attending our November 8 meeting.

Connie Brown, Executive Director, Tacoma Pierce County Affordable Housing Consortium, made a paid announcement regarding an upcoming Nativity House event.

Tanya Andrews, Children's Museum of Tacoma, celebrated birthdays. Members celebrating birthdays were: **Pam Andersen; Jack Dauer; Lori Duester; Vanessa Hurley; Fred Moisio; Jack White and Jeff Gellert.**

True Confessions: **Rita Morkrid** had breakfast with Hilary Clinton; **Amy Wigstrom** said the Heart Walk raised \$340,000; **Dave Thomas** was Chairman of the Heart Walk this year; **Jack** missed a recent meeting so he could go shoot Bambi.

Kathryn Smith of Tacoma Opera introduced soprano Alexandra Giesbers and pianist Jeff Andersen who gave us a little taste of *Orpheus*, which runs the first weekend in November at the Tacoma Opera.

President Steve introduced Pat Spakes, Chancellor, University of Washington Tacoma.

Next week's speaker will be Bill Baxter, Chair of WSA, the Washington technology association.

President Steve announced that the social would be at Stadium Bistro, 5pm.

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Happy Birthday Rotarians!

10/28 - Roy Kimbel
"CONSULTING - Non-Profit
Development and Advising"
Roy Kimbel & Associate

10/31 - Zach Hill
"FOOD & BEVERAGES -
Catering"
President



Elected: 10/4/1985
 Sponsor: Tom Hosea
 Birthplace: Shelton, WA
 Spouse/Partner: Susan Kimbel



Papa Eddie's Catering, Inc.
 Elected: 11/16/2006
 Sponsor: Dave Thomas
 Birthplace: Freising, Germany
 Spouse/Partner: Elida Hill



10/29 - Brandt Bede
 "PHYSICIANS - Orthopaedic Surgery"
 Lakewood Orthopaedics
 Elected: 12/8/1983
 Sponsor: Cliff Hoffman
 Birthplace: Tacoma, WA
 Spouse/Partner: Leslie



10/31 - Dawn Lucien
 "HOSPITALITY - Bed & Breakfast"
 Elected: 5/24/2007
 Sponsor: Jan Brazzell
 Birthplace: St. Ignatius, MT
 Spouse/Partner: Fernand Lucien



10/29 - Stella Jones
 "ASSNS: SOC SVCS - Housing"
 Executive Director
 Shared Housing Services
 Elected: 4/17/1997
 Sponsor: Kathleen Olson
 Birthplace: Rochester, WA



11/1 - Barbara Hammerman
 "CONSULTING - Non-Profit"
 Managing Partner
 Skystone Ryan Inc
 Elected: 3/3/2005
 Sponsor: Chris Kimball
 Birthplace: Baton Rouge, LA
 Spouse/Partner: Raymond Levine



10/30 - Stan Eastberg
 "WOOD PRODUCTS - Forest Products"
 Director - Executive Development
 Weyerhaeuser Company
 Elected: 10/21/1976
 Sponsor: Bob Bottorff
 Birthplace: Evanston, IL
 Spouse/Partner: Allane Eastberg



11/1 - Greg Rolsma
 "FINANCE/BANKING - Community Bank"
 Senior Vice President
 Frontier Bank
 Elected: 12/2/2004
 Sponsor: Don Lloyd
 Birthplace: Plainfield, N.J.
 Spouse/Partner: Sonja Rolsma



10/31 - Brynn Blanchard
 "ASSNS - Zoological"
 Development Manager
 Point Defiance Zoo Society
 Elected: 4/26/2007
 Sponsor: Kathleen Olson
 Birthplace: Tacoma, WA

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