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The Gearshift is a weekly publication to inform you about current happenings in Rotary Club of Tacoma #8
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Join Us This Thursday at the Landmark Temple Theatre to Hear Lt. Kathy McAlpine Speak on Gang Violence in Pierce County



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Local law enforcement officers have arrested hundreds of suspected gang members. Neighbors are working to reclaim their streets from violent gang turf wars. They've formed 37 block groups, reported suspicious activity, gathered for card games on street corners and decorated their homes with Christmas wreaths to highlight the positive in the community.

Parents and teachers are learning through community forums and training sessions how to spot the warning signs of children involved in gangs. Law enforcement agencies and community groups have hosted public forums to discuss the problem, provide tips and share successes.

"That's not been done this way before," said the Rev. Ron Vignec



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of the Salishan/Eastside Lutheran Mission in Tacoma. "I usually don't applaud the efforts of the police and school in the same breath." The large-scale response came after an outburst of gang violence on Tacoma's East Side about a year ago. In a matter of weeks, two teens died and a third was seriously injured. Police, community groups and neighbors vowed to overcome the violence and make the area safe again. Despite their efforts, gang violence in Tacoma, Lakewood and Pierce County continues.

Lt. Kathy McAlpine will be discussing the City of Tacoma's current gang situation, the Tacoma Police Department's Strategic Plan to reduce gang violence and our various community partnerships that have been established as a result of our collaborative efforts.

Lt. McAlpine has been with the Tacoma Police Department for 21 years. She worked 6 years as a Narcotics Investigator and was assigned to the Federal Violent Crimes Task Force back in the early 90's when the City was inundated by California gang members. She has also been a Sergeant for the Proact Unit (Street Crimes Unit) and the Drug Unit. She worked 2 1/2 years in Internal Affairs and is currently assigned as the Sector 4 Commander (Lieutenant), Gang Unit, Animal Control and Department EEO Officer.

Lt. McAlpine developed a comprehensive Strategic Plan to reduce gang violence in the East Side of Tacoma. These strategies include enforcement, intervention, and prevention measures to address violent gang activity. Critical to the success of this plan is the ability to form partnership and to work collaboratively across sections to achieve their overall goal.

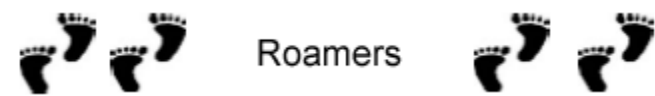
Please, come to Rotary on Thursday and bring a friend.

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This Week's Helpers

- Thanks so much to the people who will be helping at this week's meeting:
- Invoker - **TBD**
 - Greeter - **Jeff McInnis**
 - Badge Board - **Dan Pass, CJ Robinson**
 - Singer - **Bill Kaufmann**
 - Piano - **Steve Smith**
 - Drums - **Chris Kimball**
 - Birthdays - **TBD**
 - Fine Counters - **Nita Sell, John H. West**
 - Story Writer - **Tracy Peacock**
 - Photography - **Jim Harris**

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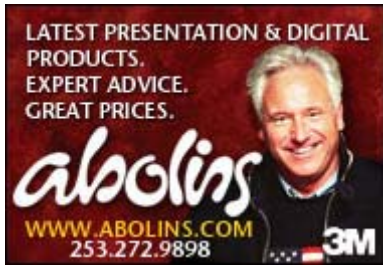


- Jan 03 **Charlotte Chalker**, Palm Desert
- Jan 03 **Ray Chalker**, Palm Desert
- Jan 03 **Lee Gingrich**, Palm Desert
- Jan 08 **Cathy Hall**, Pearl Ridge - Honolulu

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Jan 10 **Ray Chalker**, Palm Desert
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Jan 16 **Pat Nagle**, Tacoma North
Jan 16 **Larry Treleven**, Tacoma North
Jan 17 **David Flentge**, Clover Park

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PRESIDENT PETE'S PUKA

MEMBERSHIP. Club presidents do get excited about this since there is great emphasis on growth from both RI and the district. Here on the club level, we start each Rotary year knowing that we will lose about 10% of our membership regardless of what we do. The Membership Committee works vigorously on the candidates whose names are submitted, but they have to rely on our existing membership to submit names. Please look around; surely there are some people out there in your domain who are worthy of Rotary membership. You can do two things (preferably both): (1) Invite them to one of our lunches and (2) Inform them of our Potential Member Get-Together Wednesday, February 7, at 5:30pm at the Tacoma Club. This is a breezy and informal introduction to Rotary in general and Tacoma 8. If you send your candidates' addresses to the office, we will mail them invitations. Thanks for helping us grow!

CENTENNIAL PROJECT. For our last Fireside in October, we asked you to submit what you thought would be a great signature project for our Centennial celebration in 2010. We got some very interesting and intriguing responses. However, the playing field was not level; it was very difficult comparing them. The Board and the Projects Committee are jointly working on establishing criteria by which the proposed projects can be evaluated. More on this shortly. Meanwhile, don't forget our next Fireside on February 6 (there will be sign-up sheets on the tables).

GAME NIGHT. You really missed out if you didn't attend our Game Night Social at the Tacoma Club last Thursday. What a ball! More of these will be planned in the future. Thanks committee chairs **Ann Farrell** and **Carolyn McDougal** and event chairs **Dane Meyer** and **Jan Brazzell** for putting on such a fun event!

AUCTION. Well a **Wow! Luau** to you, too! It's coming up on March 24 at the Tacoma Dome. You can help by sponsoring, working on the committee, procuring/providing auction items and attending. This is indeed the Big Kahuna for our club each year. Please help in any and every way you can.

President Pete

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Club Anniversaries

Jeff Albers: 8 years on January 21
Patty Bahoshy-Ross: 5 years on January 24
Fulton Buntain: 41 years on January 27
Jack Dauer: 5 years on January 24
George Howe: 21 years on January 23
John Kloes: 29 years on January 26
Merritt Nelson: 53 years on January 21
Stacey Ogle: 17 years on January 25
Mary Lynn Pannen: 12 years on January 26
Julio Quan: 1 year on January 26
John A. West: 41 years on January 27

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Upcoming Meetings: Times and Places

Next Three Meetings

THURSDAY, February 1 - Landmark Temple Theatre, Andy Turner, Dean, School of Business, Pacific Lutheran University
THURSDAY, February 8 - Landmark Temple Theatre, Pierson Bob Clair, Valentines and Brown & Haley
THURSDAY, February 15 - Landmark Temple Theatre, Bob Wallace, "Tale of Two Cities"

Committee and Other Meetings

THURSDAY, January 25 - Tacoma Rotary Foundation Committee Meeting, Landmark, 11:00am.
FRIDAY, January 26 - Membership Development Committee Meeting, Tacoma Club, 7:30am.
THURSDAY, February 1 - Attendance Committee Meeting, Landmark, 11:15am.
THURSDAY, February 1 - Internal Communications Committee Meeting, Landmark, 11:00am.
THURSDAY, February 1 - Public Relations Committee Meeting, Landmark, 11:00.

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



Brian King

Brian was introduced to membership by his sponsor Bill Kaufmann on January 18, 2007. Brian is an Attorney at Davies Pearson, PC. His classification is "Law Practice - Business & Commercial." He enjoys hiking, travel and golf. Welcome to the club, Brian!



Arvind Phukan

Arvind was introduced to membership by his sponsor Dave Thomas on January 18, 2007. Arvind is the President/Owner of Phukan, Inc. His classification is "Engineering - Geo Technical." He enjoys golf, fishing and tennis. Welcome to the club, Arvind!

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Special Announcements



Rotarian of the Week

Please join us this Thursday as we honor Rotarian of the Week, **John H. West**. John is Executive Director, Corporate, Foundation & Major Gifts for Seattle Pacific University. He joined Tacoma 8 in March, 2002. His classification is "Education - Universities - Fund Development," and his sponsor was Stan Johnson.

A Big THANK YOU to the following Wow! Luau Auction Sponsors:

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Culture Vulture News

by Don Doman

Looking Back at Culture Vulture Events Past

In the early 1990s we had two Culture Vulture "dinner and a play" evenings. Each of these social gathering events offered dinner and Tacoma Actors Guild theatre tickets for about \$99.00 per couple. Each package also contained raffle tickets and a signed and numbered limited edition print by artist Greg Beecham, valued at one hundred dollars.

At Rotary we always strive to give you the best value for your entertainment dollar. If you deducted the value of the package from the package cost, you would see that we actually paid people a dollar to attend the play and eat dinner. Does it get any better? Well, yes . . . it does.

Those prints of "Looking Back" are now worth almost two hundred

dollars each and according to one interpretation of IRS tax laws, you could donate one of those prints and claim a deduction of up to \$4,999.00 without the need for an appraisal. The Moral: Rotary Culture Vulture events are fun, exciting, and quite an investment.

The Day the Music Died . . . Almost

I was 13 when Ritchie Valens recorded *Donna*. I bought the record and loved the flip side *La Bamba* even more. When Ritchie Valens died in a small plane crash with the Big Bopper and Buddy Holly, I was bereft. At the time I was not familiar with Buddy Holly, but that was to change.

Later at a huge parking lot sale at Sears and Roebucks I bought a used Buddy Holly 45 rpm record for a few pennies. It was almost worn out from juke box play. On the record was *Oh Boy!* The flipside was *Not Fade Away*. I really enjoyed both of these recordings and then became a huge Buddy Holly fan when the Rolling Stones released their first U.S. album. The lead off song on the Stones' album was their version of *Not Fade Away* with Mick Jagger singing lead. I was blown away. This was real rock and roll.

"I wanna tell you how it's gonna be
You're gonna give your love to me
I'm gonna love you night and day
Love is love and not fade away
Well love is love and not fade away"
-- *Not Fade Away* by Buddy Holly

On February 17 you'll get a chance to hear Buddy singing his songs. Buddy sings about love and having a good time. His songs still inspire and we'll have a great time at the Fifth Avenue Theatre for *Buddy: The Buddy Holly Story*.

This is the Northwest premiere! This smash hit musical charts the meteoric rise of the legendary Buddy Holly, from his country roots in Lubbock, Texas, to his groundbreaking debut at Harlem's Apollo Theatre and, finally, to the fateful concert with Ritchie Valens (*La Bamba*) and the Big Bopper (*Chantilly Lace*) in Clear Lake, Iowa. With over 20 sensational hits - including *Peggy Sue*, *That'll Be The Day*, and *Maybe Baby*, Buddy proves the music never died. Packed with raw energy and an infectious beat, this rollicking tribute to one of the giants of popular music is sheer unadulterated fun. No wonder *Buddy* is called the "World's Most Successful Rock 'n' Roll Musical!"

Bill Kaufmann has a wonderful day planned (a Valentine celebration). We'll have brunch in Tacoma, carpool up old 99, enjoy *Buddy* and then hit the diner for some mac 'n cheese and *Maybe Baby* a burger or two.

There are only twenty seats reserved for us, so let Bill know ASAP immediately that you want to go. Give him a call at (253) 573-1333 or email him at bkaufmann@goodwillonlinesales.com.

Upcoming Culture Vulture Activities for 2007:

February 3, 2007 - Young Artist Showcase: A Bernstein Evening featuring *Trouble in Tahiti*. Contact Mike Jones at 253-383-2616 for more information.

February 17 - *Buddy* - Highlighted above. The musical version of the life of Buddy Holly at the Fifth Avenue Theatre in Seattle. This is the Culture Vulture Valentine Celebration event. Contact Bill Kaufmann at 253-572-5221 for more information.

March 18, 2007 - Hooray for Hollywood - Pantages Theater.
Tacoma Symphony will be playing songs from the movies.

June 1, 2007 - District 5020 Golf Tournament. This is going to be a fun event much like our Great Indoor Golf Tournament of the 90's. Lunch will be at Roundtable Pizza for all-you-can-eat pizza, salad, and soda. There will be tons of fun, lots of prizes AND each participant gets a free golf club from Upswing Golf valued up to \$119.95. The cost for the tournament? Only \$40.00 per person. For more information call Culture Vulture Don Doman at 253-759-6639.

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.

January 25: Rosewood Cafe – (Wine Bar) 3323 N 26th St
Tacoma 98407 - 253.752.7999

February 1: Sea Grill Restaurant - 1498 Pacific Ave, Tacoma
98402 - 253.272-5656

February 8: Masa - 2811 6th Avenue, Tacoma 98406 -
253.254.0560

February 15: Gary's Steak House - 2705 6th Ave, Tacoma 98406
- 253.6278622

February 22: Doyle's - 208 St. Helens Ave., Tacoma -
253.238.5359

March 1: Indochine - 1924 Pacific Ave, Tacoma 98402 -
253.272.8200

March 8: Matador - 721 Pacific Avenue, Tacoma 98402 -
253.627.7100

March 15: Pour at Four - 3814 N 26th St, Tacoma 98407 -
253.761.8015 www.pouratfour.com

Other Social Events

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mj@thetravelcompany.net

WALKING GROUP - fresh air, fellowship and exercise. Informal walking group on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays. Mondays and Wednesdays at 5:30pm on Ruston Way - meet at Johnny's. Saturday, 8:30am meet at the duck pond at Pt. Defiance.

Other activities on the horizon - game night, cosmic bowling and LeMay party.

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Rotary Happenings - January 18, 2007

By: Bill Kaufmann



After no meeting last week due to snow, **President Pete** gave a warm ring of the bell to begin the meeting. This was followed by a toasty invocation from **Linda Kaye Briggs**, Executive Director of Development, MultiCare, and a hot rendition of the National Anthem, led by **Doug Dillow**, Scout Executive and CEO, Pacific Harbor Council, Boy Scouts of America, with **Barbara Mead**, Partner, Moss Adams, on Piano, and **Chris Kimball**, Certified Financial Planner, CK Financial Services, on drums.

The following club anniversaries for the last 2 weeks were commemorated by President Pete: **Mike Jones**, 23 years; **Andy Laycock**, 23 years; **Steve Smith**, 11 years; **Sharon Babcock**, 10 years; **Joe Lawless**, 6 years; **Michelle Roberts**, 4 years; **Buck Thompson**, 53 years; **Kirk Hull**, 47 years; **Ken Olson**, 18 years; **Jan Rogers**, 13 years; **Mike Wallingford**, 9 years; **Pete Taylor**, 5 years; **Kara Duffy**, 2 years; **Bob Ecklund**, 2 years; **Brian Haynes**, 2 years; **Candis Jordan**, 2 years; **Michael Stewart**, 2 years; **Brett Thomas**, 2 years; **Mel Zanjani**, 2 years; and **Pamela Brewer**, 1 year.

Dave Lewis, General Manager, Tacoma Rainiers Baseball Club, welcomed 2 visiting Rotarians, including Mary and Norm Watts, our next District Governor.

Bill Kaufmann, e-commerce Manager, Tacoma Goodwill Industries, introduced new member **Brian King** an attorney with Davies Pearson. Brian's mentor will be **Richard Brady**, Attorney. **Dave Thomas**, Vice President, Venture Bank, introduced new member **Arvind Phukan**, a former Rotarian. Arvind's mentor will be **Jeff Rounce**, Publisher, Business Examiner. President Pete gave pins to both new members and sponsors.

President Pete thanked our bookkeeper, Kari Schoenrock, who was helping with the meeting and mentioned that Janet Frostad will be returning temporarily to help with the auction. He thanked everyone who sent postage-due Christmas cards, encouraged everyone to sign up and attend a February 6 Firesides, applauded everyone who helped put on last weekend's World Community Service Conference, and noted that President Elect Steve and ED Beverly Vincent are in Salt Lake City for the Large Club Conference. Today's weather in Salt Lake City was mostly sunny, high of 22, low of 10.

Pete also noted that longtime member **Dwight "Pinky" Kipp** passed away January 2. Pinky joined Tacoma 8 in June 1957. **Mike Hansch's** brother also recently passed away, and motivational speaker, Bob Moawad, passed away January 13. Cards were being circulated.

Mike Dunbar, Executive Vice President, Financial Planners Northwest, announced auction sponsorship opportunities, and thanked several who have already stepped forward:

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Bev Holland, Public Affairs Manager, Simpson Investment Company, announced RI's approval of our club's PR grant request to support a series of full page ads about what Rotary 8 does in our community. The ads will run quarterly in the Business Examiner, and members can purchase advertising space for just \$237.50 each issue. There are only a few ad spaces available, so contact Bev if you are interested.

Dave Thomas, Vice President, Venture Bank, gave a focus presentation on the Membership Committee. We have 25 new members, but lost 34 members so far this year. Our goal is to be ahead by April 1, so think "recruiting."

Dane Meyer, Owner, DG Studio, and **Jan Brazzell**, CEO, Advancement Consulting, introduced visitors and promoted tonight's Game Night at the Tacoma Club.

President Pete introduced Dr. JD Fitz from MultiCare who gave a mini presentation about the importance of knowing CPR. There are nearly 30 heart attacks a day in Washington, and nearly 80% occur in the home. MultiCare is able to help provide CPR training.

Past President **Don Doman**, co-owner, PNW Video Productions, recognized 11 birthdays. Keeping with MultiCare's healthy spirit, each celebrant was asked to share a health tip on diet or exercise and received a Twinkie with carrot or celery inside replacing the filling. Yes, and they looked worse than they sound.

President Pete introduced **Bobby Arkills**, Executive Director, Tacoma Youth for Christ, who introduced **Craig Ueland**, President and CEO of Russell Investment Group, for a presentation on "Life at the Russell Company after George."

Craig explained how Russell's success is because of its values:

1. Non-negotiable integrity
2. A genuine focus on people – their family, community and goals
3. Always striving to exceed client expectations.

Russell has clients in 44 countries and is the fastest growing financial firm in the world. He attributes much of the growth to clients trusting and respecting them. Their opportunities for future growth are significant as government starts to shift financial responsibility to individuals and the economy appears stable. Their goal is to be the most trusted of the top 10 largest financial investment firms in the world. It won't happen over night, but they are on track to achieving it. He commented that George Russell still visits regularly and that their parent company, Northwestern Mutual, reinvests a large share of their profits back into Russell and their employees.

President Pete thanked Craig Ueland for his presentation and presented a \$25 donation to the Tacoma Rotary Foundation in his name.

Members were also reminded to contact Bill Kaufmann if they want to join the Culture Vultures for the Buddy Holly Musical on February 17 at Seattle's Fifth Avenue Theater.

Another great way we can share Rotary and Have Fun While We Get Things Done!

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Happy Birthday Rotarians!



1/21 Rusty George
"BUSINESS SERVICES -
Graphic Design"
Owner
Rusty George Creative
Elected: 5/9/2002
Sponsor: Jim Crabbe
Birthplace: Fresno, CA



1/25 Brandy Smith
"CONTRACTING &
CONSTRUCTION-Fire
Sprinkler Systems"
President
Smith Fire Systems Inc.
Elected: 9/28/1995
Sponsor: Harold Williams
Birthplace: Tacoma, WA
Spouse/Partner: Anne
Shureen Smith



1/24 Ross Hjelseth
"EDUCATION - Headmaster
Protestant School"
Headmaster
Life Christian
School/Academy
Elected: 6/6/1996
Sponsor: Fulton Buntain
Birthplace: McVile, ND
Spouse/Partner: Ronni
Hjelseth



1/26 Janice Wharton
"HEALTH SERVICES - HMO
Administration"
Associate Administrator of
Primary Care
Group Health Cooperative
Elected: 9/25/2003
Sponsor: Linda Tieman
Birthplace: Tacoma, WA
Spouse/Partner: R. Alan
Wharton



1/24 Ann Voves
"WHOLESALE - Art
Import"
Owner
Glass Nuvo, Inc.
Elected: 3/4/1999
Sponsor: Kendall McGuire
Birthplace: Wiesbaden,
Germany
Spouse/Partner: Ronald
Voves



1/27 Jess Bouma
"PHYSICIANS - Peri
Operative Consultant"
Physician
MultiCare
Elected: 10/19/2000
Sponsor: Randy Melquist
Birthplace: Evanston, IL
Spouse/Partner: Rachael
Bouma, M.D.



**1/25 Nicholas
Rajacich**
"PHYSICIANS - Physician-
Orthopaedic Surgery"
M.D.
Nicholas Rajacich MD
Elected: 4/9/1992
Sponsor: Dumont Staatz
Birthplace: Baltimore, MD
Spouse/Partner: Melinda

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