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Join us at the Landmark Temple Theatre  
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Bring your kids, your grandkids, your spouse and/or your friends to our December 23rd Holiday Meeting. Kids will only be charged \$9.00 per person for lunch, while adults will remain at \$12.50 each. The festivities will begin early with Christmas Carols and Hanukkah songs. Jack Warnick, Don Doman, Barbara Mead, and Steve Smith will play piano prior to the meeting starting at 11:15. During the meeting Steve Smith will accompany Amy Wigstrom as she leads us in song. Perhaps, we can encourage her to sing a solo as well. Rodney the Reindeer will have plenty of candy canes for the little ones, and Santa will make a special appearance for Photo Ops - BYOC (Bring Your Own Camera).

What does family, community responsibility, commerce, and self-improvement sound like? Rotary? Yes. Good citizenship? Yes. What does it mean in December? How about Kwanzaa? You'll be surprised. Kimi Ginn Rabun (yep, Tony's sister) will introduce our members to the first-harvest festival Kwanzaa, which runs from December 26th to January 1st. Kimi has made this presentation to countless schools and organizations in the Puget Sound region. She has a lot of fun getting everyone involved with her interactive program, and we should enjoy



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her presentation immensely.

Have some happy holidays by attending our holiday meeting this Thursday!

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## This Week's Helpers

Thanks so much to the people who will be helping at this week's meeting:

**Greeter** - Dick Pessemier

**Badge Board** - Mary Thompson

**Singer** - Amy Wigstrom

**Piano** - Steve Smith

**Drums** - Chris Kimball

**Invocator** - Rose Johnson

**Birthdays** - Chris Kimball & Sons

**Fine Counter** - Roger Lilley and John West

**Story Writer** - Ann Brooks

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Roamers



????? **Larry Gaffney**, Gig Harbor

????? **Larry Gaffney**, Lakewood

????? **Larry Gaffney**, Lakewood

Oct 28 **Allan Hanson**, Poipu, HI

Nov 04 **Allan Hanson**, Poipu, HI

Nov 08 **Larry Gaffney**, Tacoma North

Nov 11 **Allan Hanson**, Poipu, HI

Nov 18 **Allan Hanson**, Poipu, HI

Dec 01 **Allan Hanson**, Poipu, HI

Dec 01 **Julie Collins**, Tacoma Sunrise

Dec 03 **Larry Gaffney**, Lakewood

Dec 10 **Larry Gaffney**, Lakewood

Dec 13 **Cindy Niemi**, Sumner

Dec 14 **Kirk Hull**, Kethchum-Sun Valley, ID

Dec 14 **David Flentge**, Tacoma North

Dec 14 **Bill Matthaei**, Tacoma North

Dec 14 **Dave Thomas**, Fife/Milton

Dec 20 **Rainer Willingham**, Tacoma South

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## Club Anniversaries

**Barry Benson**: 14 years on December 20

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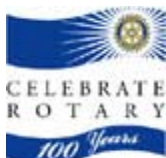
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## Upcoming Meetings: Times and Places

### Next Three Meetings

**THURSDAY, December 30** - NO Meeting

**THURSDAY, January 6** - Landmark Temple Theatre, Ryan Burk -  
Goodwill Games Anniversary

**THURSDAY, January 13** - Landmark Temple Theatre, Dr. Ernie  
Ankrim - Frank Russell Financial Forecast

### Committee and Other Meetings

**TUESDAY, January 4** -World Community Service Committee  
Meeting, Dr. Klein's Condo at 404 North D Street, 7:00am

**WEDNESDAY, January 5** -Information Meeting, Rotary Office,  
8:00am

**THURSDAY, January 6** -Fellowship Committee Meeting, Landmark  
Temple Theatre, 11:15am

**THURSDAY, January 6** -Attendance Committee Meeting, Landmark  
Temple Theatre, 11:15am

**THURSDAY, January 6** -Communications Committee Meeting,  
Landmark Temple Theatre, 11:30am

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## New Members This Week

No new members were  
introduced at the December  
16, 2004 meeting.

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## Special Announcements

**REMINDER:** NO Rotary Meeting on December 30th.

### Membership Proposals

Unless written objections are submitted to the Board by December 30,  
2004, the following individuals will be considered for membership:

#### Robert Cowan

Occupation: Account Consultant - Ricoh Business Systems  
Classification: OFFICE EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES - Business Systems  
Sponsor: Don Lloyd

#### Doug Dahlgren

Occupation: Associate Executive Director - Tacoma/Pierce County  
Habitat for Humanity  
Classification: ASSOC: Social Services - Habitat for Humanity  
Sponsor: Rose Johnson

#### Marlo DeLange

Occupation: Attorney - Vandenberg Johnson & Gandara  
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Rick Andersen  
Jim Crabbe  
Rose Johnson  
Jim Shoemake  
Pamela Transue

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Corey Hjalseth  
John Hogan  
Don Lloyd  
Pete Taylor

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Janet Frostad, Fundraising Coordinator  
April Perry, Administrative Coordinator

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Barbora Buriankova, Slovakia  
Dorothee Dillion, Belgium

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**Kara Duffy**

Occupation: Business Development - Paguirigan Branding & Design  
Classification: BUSINESS SERVICES - Graphic Design  
Sponsor: John Schneider

**Dean Hanks**

Occupation: Development Director - Tacoma Goodwill  
Classification: ASSOC: Social Services - Goodwill  
Sponsor: Peter Darling & Dave Thomas

**Enid Harris**

Occupation: Community Volunteer  
Classification: Past Service  
Sponsor: Kathleen Olson

**Brian Haynes**

Occupation: VP Business Development - Rainier Connect  
Classification: TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Telephony  
Sponsor: Don Lloyd

**Anthony Kolb**

Occupation: Associate Banker - Coldwell Banker Commercial  
Classification: REAL ESTATE - Commercial  
Sponsor: Layne Alfonso

**Helen Matthaei**

Occupation: Community Volunteer  
Classification: Past Service  
Sponsor: Kathleen Olson

**Lani Powell**

Occupation: Owner - Powell Human Resources  
Classification: CONSULTING - Human Resources  
Sponsor: Emily Reiter

**Michael Austin Stewart**

Occupation: Attorney - Michael Austin Stewart (Private Practice)  
Classification: LAW PRACTICE - Criminal Defense  
Sponsor: Carolyn Else

**Brett Thomas**

Occupation: Marketing Manager - Mountain Construction  
Classification: CONTRACTING & CONSTRUCTION - Commercial  
Sponsor: Don Lloyd & Vanessa Herzog

**John Unterreiner**

Occupation: Managing Director  
Classification: Northwester Mutual Financial Network  
Sponsor: INSURANCE - Employee Benefits

**Barbara Van Haren**

Occupation: Owner - Top Hat Formal Wear  
Classification: CLOTHING - Formal Wear  
Sponsor: Kathleen Olson

**Jan Williams**

Occupation: Associate Banker - Coldwell Banker Commercial  
Classification: REAL ESTATE - Commercial  
Sponsor: Layne Alfonso

**PHASE I GRANTS APPROVED**

The Board of Directors has approved distribution of small grants

recommended by the Community Service Grants Committee. Checks will be presented in December. Contact Chairman Tony Ginn with any questions or comments. Non profit organizations receiving grants include:

African American Museum	\$2,500
Associated Ministries	\$2,500
CCMF Military Kids Safety Net	\$2,500
Palmer Minority Scholarship Foundation	\$2,500
St. Charles Borromeo	\$2,011
Super Club Summer in the Park	\$2,500
Tacoma Community House	\$2,500
Werlin Reading Teams	\$3,161
YMCA Children's Program	\$3,161

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**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

The next Pandaka Graduation is scheduled for January 27 at our regular Thursday meeting.

**TACOMA SOUTH ROTARY MEETING INFORMATION**

Tacoma South Rotary club will no longer be meeting at Mickey O'Reilly's (formerly Copperfield's). They will not have meetings for the next two weeks, Dec 27 and Jan 3. Once a new meeting place is determined a notice will be posted in the Gearshift.

**SERVICE ABOVE SELF**

"If we really want to love, if we really want to live, we must love until it hurts . . . No Rotarian whose motto is Service Above Self, I think, should call himself a Rotarian if he does not make time to serve . . . If we love, we begin to serve".

Mother Teresa of Calcutta India  
1981 RI Convention, São Paulo, Brazil

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION NEWS**

Below is a comparison from RI on Foundation receipts in the month of November for years 2003 and 2004.

	Nov. 30, 2004	Nov. 30, 2003	Increase/ (Decrease)
Annual Programs Fund	19,832,604	16,647,620	19.13%
PolioPlus	5,453,065	9,678,513	(43.66%)
Permanent Fund & Related	3,753,252	3,927,439	(4.44%)
Restricted	3,537,193	1,552,947	127.77%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$32,576,114</b>	<b>\$31,806,519</b>	<b>2.42%</b>

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## Rotary Happenings - December 16, 2004: By: Richard Brady

President **Kathleen Olson** opened the meeting by introducing **Buck Thompson**, who gave a warm and touching eulogy for **Warren Brown**. Warren was a Rotarian for 41 years and our club president in 1981. Warren was a good businessman and devoted husband and father. He will be greatly missed.

**Ross Hjalseth** gave the invocation. **Amy Wigstrom** led the National Anthem with **Jack Warnick** on the piano and **Chris Kimball** on the drums. **Frances Lorenz** introduced visiting Rotarians. **Jan Brazzell** and **Sharon Babcock** were on the roving microphones and talked about the member survey and strategic planning. The goal is to have our strategic plan finalized and adopted by March 31, 2005.

President Kathleen re-introduced new members **Bobby Arkills**, Executive Director for Youth for Christ, **John Merchant**, owner of Mesa Roya Properties, and **Greg Rolsma**, Vice President, Frontier Bank. **Tom Morrow**, **Scott Seelye** and **Jeff Cathersal** announced bell ringing for the Salvation Army and passed the bucket. Last year we were generous to the tune of \$1170. Here's hoping this year was for even more.

**Don Lloyd** announced that we had 15 proposed members approved by the Membership Classification committee this month. Don thanked the Membership Development and Classification Committee's for all of their hard work. **Rick Anderson** reported that the Dream Team's feasibility study for Rotary House revealed that we did not have enough support to go forward with a project of this magnitude. But, they are hoping that a different project consistent with the strategic plan can be developed. Rick received a warm round of applause for the hard work that he and the team have devoted to this effort. Thanks, Rick!

**Jim Henderson** spoke about the Rotary International Foundation Committee and encouraged us all to contribute at least \$100. Until December 23rd, contributions up to \$200 will be matched! **Bruce Dammeier** celebrated birthdays by revealing the secret wishes of our birthday celebrants.

**Larry Treleven** (more about him below) introduced our speaker, Pierce County Executive **John Ladenburg**. John gave us the "rest of the story" about the golf course development at the Chambers Creek Project.

Here's the deal: In 1990 the County purchased the 900+ acre site as a place to put gray water as the population grows. The source of the purchase monies was an independent Enterprise Fund run by the sewer utility. All revenues from any project on the property must be used for and by the sewer utility and not for other purposes. In 1995 a Master Site Plan was developed by the Pierce County Council and the City Councils of Lakewood and University Place. The plan called for development of various facilities, including parks, hiking paths and trails, fishing pier, and a public golf course. Complete build out was forecast to take 50 years.

To speed up the build out and complete development of the site, it was conceived to make the golf course a premier "destination golf course" suitable for professional tournaments, as opposed to a regular municipal golf course. The idea is that the higher green fees and associated revenues will lead to faster and better development of the site. Fifty-five golf course design companies responded to the county's request for proposal. One of the five finalists, Phil Mickelson, stated that the site is one of the world's best for a links style golf course. California based Robert Trent Jones II was chosen to design the course and Kemper Sports Management (the same company that manages Bandon Dunes in Oregon) will manage the golfing facilities. In all, 12 companies make up the development team. Construction is scheduled to begin within the year and the course could open a couple of years after that.

Regarding costs, John noted that Pierce County utility rates were

about \$22 per month. If the golf course were to not make any money at all, rates would rise about a dollar to \$23, which is well below the region average. However, he made it clear that he thinks the golf course will make money. He also pointed out that even if a golf course or other development did not take place on the site, it would still cost the county \$8 Million to install the gray water treatment and dispersal system and, as required by law, reclaim the gravel pit that is on the property.

In the question and answer session that followed, Larry Treleven said he thought the site would be even more popular than Bandon Dunes, which he has played five or six times, because it was more accessible. Larry said he got to play Bandon Dunes so often because his company works with Kemper Sports Management. John added that Pierce County residents will be able to play the course at a discounted price. The folks at our table liked hearing this, for sure. Finally, we also agreed that Larry should pay a fine for confessing that he's been fortunate enough to play the best links course in the country not once or twice, but five or six times.

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Spouse: Jill Rounce



**24 David Douglas**  
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Spouse: Ginny



**21 Ray Tennison**  
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