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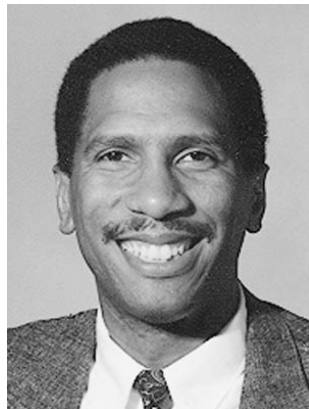
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### Join Us This Thursday at the Landmark Temple Theatre for Tacoma 8's 97th Turnover Day and 48th Galleyside!

See what **Rusty George** has planned for **President Pete Taylor's** last meeting as Club President



and welcome incoming President **Steve Smith**.





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### This Week's Helpers

Thanks so much to the people who will be helping at this week's meeting:  
 Invocator - **Linda Kaye Briggs**  
 Greeter - **Christina Ford**  
 Badge Board - **Doug Neff, Mary McNally, Gordon Jenkins**  
 Singer - **TBD**  
 Piano - **Steve Smith**  
 Birthdays - **Peter Hamilton**  
 Fine Counters - **John H. West, Mary Grubbs**  
 Story Writer - **Kara Duffy**

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Roamers



June 15 - **Stella Jones** - Lakewood  
 June 19 - **Dean Curry** - Unknown  
 June 19 - **Gerald Moczynski** - Sumner  
 June 22 - **Roger Lee** - Lakewood

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## PRESIDENT PETE'S PUKA

**NOT QUITE THE END.** This is just a final note to thank each and every one of you for your support during the past year. On every level, you have risen to the occasion. This is a great club and you have every reason to wear your pin proudly (and often).

During **Steve Smith's** year, I will be Membership Chair. This is a critical area for the club since we always need to replenish. Thanks to the good work of **Dave Thomas** and his committee, we brought in 57 new members (thus far); we lost 42 which gives us a net gain of 15. We had 35 club members sponsor new members. Even if you are a Pandaka, you can sponsor a new member! Please concentrate on bringing in someone new during 2007-08; Steve wants a net gain of five and with your help, I plan on delivering that to him.

Please attend our meeting on June 28 to help celebrate Steve's ascendancy. Also, **Rusty George** has promised a really good show. You will have fun as the club once again endures its annual transition. But now, it's time to give the exhausted office Spellchecker a well needed rest so this is almost-Past President Pete, over and out.

*President Pete*

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### Club Anniversaries

**Ed Hudson:** 58 years on June 20  
**Ralph Kloze:** 7 years on June 17  
**Katie Mathews:** 20 years on June 22  
**Norb Methven:** 21 years on June 22  
**Teri Trettin:** 20 years on June 22

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### Upcoming Meetings: Times and Places

#### Next Three Meetings

**THURSDAY, July 05** - Landmark Temple Theatre, Cooking with Chef Steve Eason, head chef of Tacoma's Landmark Convention Center. See details under Special Announcements.  
**THURSDAY, July 12** Joel Hellenkamp "Helping Us Get Through Each Day" - Landmark Temple Theatre. See details under Special Announcements.  
**THURSDAY, July 19** - Landmark Temple Theatre, Off Site Meeting - Chambers Creek Golf Course.

#### Committee and Other Meetings

**THURSDAY, June 28** - Tacoma Rotary Foundation Committee Meeting, Landmark, 11:00am.  
**THURSDAY, July 5** - Communications Committee Meeting, Landmark, 11:00am.

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 June 21, 2007 meeting.

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### Special Announcements

#### First Meetings of New Club Year

Our first two meetings of the **Steve Smith** Presidential year will be fun.

**July 5** - For Steve's first meeting the program will feature Steve Eason CEC, CCE. Chef Eason is the head chef of Tacoma's

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Beth Sylves, Secretary  
Phil Berggren, Treasurer

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Donn Irwin  
Chris Kimball  
Emily Reiter

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Cap Pearson  
John Schneider  
Dave Thomas

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#### **Exchange Students Inbound**

Sebastian Paul, Germany

#### **Outbound**

Jennifer Ready, Italy  
Sarah Steinman, Argentina  
Jena Carmack, Argentina  
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Steve Smith

Landmark Convention Center. He will speak about one of our favorite subjects: food and eating (or is that two subjects?) and then he will ask for a volunteer (Steve Smith) to assist him as he prepares a special dish. We will have the big screen set up with video close-ups to capture any missing appendages of President Steve. Sharp objects and Steve Smith: This is something you don't want to miss.

**July 12** - For Steve's second meeting we have psychologist and counselor, Joel Hellencamp. "Helping Us Get Through Each Day" is the subject of Joel's presentation. Don't be afraid. You won't be psychoanalyzed. Joel basically just helps people . . . from children to adults . . . with problems and without. Basically, Joel's approach is to listen, offer a kind word and then give a little advice. In his spare time, Joel plays soccer and is a children's soccer coach as well.

#### **YO FORMER MEMBERS OF OTHER CLUBS!**

If you are a former member of another Rotary club, we need to ensure that your Rotary International Foundation Paul Harris Fellow recognition points are transferred from your old club to Tacoma 8. So if you are an alum of another club, please call the office and let us know which club it was (if you know the club number, that would be helpful). We will also need to know your Rotary International number (it is on the label on your copy of *The Rotarian*). Thanks!

#### **END OF THE FISCAL YEAR HOUSEKEEPING**

Keep your membership current!

The Club's fiscal year ends June 30, and procedures state:

*Member accounts must be current by June 30th of each calendar year or the member will be suspended from membership and all membership privileges for 30 days. The member can be reinstated during this period by paying his/her balance due plus a 10% reinstatement fee or \$10, whichever is greater. Failure to make this reinstatement will result in termination. Once terminated, reinstatement will require a new membership application.*

Please make payments as soon as possible to avoid suspension. Statements have been mailed out. If you have any questions, contact the Rotary office (253 473 7723) and ask for Beverly or Kari. Remember that payments can be made by Visa or MasterCard, and online payment is also available.

#### **Need to Make Up a Meeting?**

Do you know that it's possible to earn a make-up on-line?

Make-up at your convenience, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Spending 30 minutes on the make-up website constitutes an On-Line Rotary Meeting.

It is a mandatory requirement that your visit duration must be 30 minutes or more. The Programs section provides a wide range of subject matter for your interest.

Visit [www.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org) and find out how.

#### **Online Payments Now Available on the Tacoma 8 Rotary Web Site!**

After being tested and re-tested, the Tacoma 8 online payment system is up and running! Secure and user-friendly, this system, along with your Visa or Mastercard, can be used to pay all your Tacoma 8 Rotary invoices as well as make donations to the Tacoma Rotary (Art Wickens) and Rotary International (Paul

Harris) Foundations.

To access the system, go to [www.rotary8.org](http://www.rotary8.org), find and click on "Make An Online Payment" under the Member Services heading, located on the left hand column. Enter your Username and Password (the same you use for accessing the Membership Roster), and then enter the amount of each item you are paying for under the appropriate account. Whenever possible, include an invoice number and/or description in the appropriate spaces.

If you're not sure where to enter your payment or have questions, please call the Rotary office (253 473 7723), and we'll be happy to guide you through the process.

### **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.

June 28 - **Stanley and Seaforts** - 115 East 34<sup>th</sup> St. - 473-7300.

July 5 - **Anthony's at Point Defiance** - 5912 N Waterfront Dr - 752-9700.

July 12 - **The Ram** - 3001 N. Ruston Way - 756-7886.

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## **Rotary Happenings - June 21, 2007**

**By: Beth Sylves**



**President Pete Taylor** rang the bell at 12:10 PM in his last meeting as president before Turnover Day. **Linda Tieman**, Executive Director, Washington Center for Nursing, offered an invocation of thanks for community service to all Rotarians. Our National Anthem was led by **Jan Brazzell**, Principal/CEO of Advancement Consulting, along with **Jack Warnick**, President of Puget Sound Manufacturing on piano. President Pete recognized club anniversaries of our members, ranging one to thirty-one years. Visiting Rotarians from the Philippines and Sumner, WA were introduced by **Laura Runkle**, Senior Director of Marketing/PR, Frank Tobey Jones. Roving Mic's were manned by **Don Doman**, co-owner of Ideas & Training, and **David Gardner**, Air Systems Engineering, who talked about upcoming programs to kick off the '07-08 year. Over the next few weeks we'll have a cooking demonstration from the Chef at the Landmark and we'll hear how to "Get through the Day" from a local therapist. Don also mentioned exciting times ahead for the Culture Vultures. Several of our guests were in attendance primarily due to our program about solving our transportation problems, including folks from WSDOT and David Seago from The News Tribune. We also welcomed lots of co-workers and prospective members as well as and the future Mr. Emily Reiter and the honorable former Mayor Harold Moss!

**Tom Morrow**, Corps Commanding Officer for The Salvation Army presented our club with a plaque in thanks for our support. We listened to a paid announcement from Bob Fredrickson, VP Coldwell

Banker Commercial Danforth inviting us to support his attempt to climb local mountains in support of Big Brothers, Big Sisters.

President Pete spent a few minutes thanking all of the members of our club who have supported and assisted him during his tenure as president: past DG's; the district conference committee; past presidents; Board of Directors; committee chairs; and our awesome office staff - under the leadership of Beverly Vincent. Among the many of accomplishments this year: we've selected our Centennial Project; the TRF reached \$1 million; the Auction set a record by netting \$180,000; we received overall recognition from the district and specifically for the e-newsletter; experienced a net gain in membership; hosted a great GSE team; continued a wonderful Youth Exchange Program; our Interact club received recognition from RI; we began e-commerce on our website; transitioned our Club Administrator into an Executive Director; had two RI presidents speak to our club; exceeded our donation projections; we had members embark on a very rewarding Africa trip; received a grant for \$2,300 from RI for public relations; had an Ambassadorial Scholar; participated in two Oak Tree Park clean-ups; started the "Dashboard" - the scrolling presentation that entertains and informs us as we eat each week; and we revised and simplified our classification list. Some items that were left on the "to do" list for next year - the start-up of a Rotaract Club at UPS, better attendance at the District Conference, and a printed roster, if the need exists. All in all - a great year, with many thanks to and from President Pete!

**Emily Reiter** recognized our birthday celebrants by asking us (me too!) to recount our best birthday gift ever, and offered great quotes for us each to read - thanks, Emily! True Confessions included lots of proud parents with graduating kids, a recap of the Rotary conference in Salt Lake City, and more thanks for President Pete for a year well-done!

**Connie Brown**, Executive Director of Tacoma Pierce County Affordable Housing introduced our speakers - **Julie Anderson**, Tacoma City Council and Joni Earl, CEO, Sound Transit. Our very own Julie began with an overview of the proposal that we as voters in Pierce, King & Snohomish counties will consider in November. This is the first comprehensive plan to incorporate roads & transit together (RTID & Sound Transit). Why Now? Increased congestion, construction costs on the rise, the increasing challenge to deliver goods, and estimates of 50,000 people per year moving here over the next 20 years. Where are we today? The combined units have gathered public feedback for over two years, and want to target the major chokepoints in the region before our population increases by 40% near 2040. We have major ports, international business and much potential for continued economic growth, we must solve the transportation issues or much of that will be in jeopardy. Survey data shows that voters support a solution and are willing to pay for it. Why this solution? It combines the needs and positive attributes of rail, roads, transit options and more to create long-term solutions. Currently 46,000 ride transit per day, and we can grow that number, reducing vehicular traffic. Sound Transit's Joni Earl (new resident of Tacoma and former member of Rotary clubs in Everett, Mill Creek and Seattle) talked about the increased capacity of trains that is to come soon, the need to provide an alternative to Interstate 5, and a top priority of improving the Hwy 167 to 509 route in Pierce County. Joni simply stated - "we cannot build enough new freeway lanes to handle the vehicular traffic demand, so rail must be a part of the package." The project's costs are combined to equal \$17.8 billion in 2006 dollars, and would be funded by 0.6 of 1% of sales tax, and \$80 per every \$10,000 of value per vehicle (roads only). After a few minutes of Q&A that I'm sure made our guest David Seago proud - President Pete thanked our speakers, our guests, and reminded us that next week he'll bid farewell and bon voyage!

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# Happy Birthday Rotarians!



**June 24 Larry Gaffney**  
"BUSINESS SERVICES -  
Funeral Directing"  
Manager  
Gaffney Funeral Home  
Elected: 2/21/1974  
Sponsor: Jeff Lovely  
Birthplace: Tacoma, WA  
Spouse/Partner: Ellen  
Gaffney



**June 27 - Jack Peterson**  
"EDUCATION - Catholic High  
Schools"  
President  
Bellarmine Preparatory  
School  
Elected: 8/28/1997  
Sponsor: Father Dan Weber  
Birthplace: Seattle, WA  
Spouse/Partner: Mary  
Peterson



**June 25 - Douglas Lineberry**  
"LAW PRACTICE - Business  
& Commercial"  
Attorney  
Lineberry Kenney  
Elected: 10/17/2002  
Sponsor: Rose Johnson  
Birthplace: Los Angeles, CA  
Spouse/Partner: Jeanette  
Lineberry



**June 28 - Kevin Phelps**  
"BUSINESS SERVICES -  
Convention Centers Private"  
Managing Partner  
Landmark Convention Center  
Elected: 3/2/1995  
Sponsor: Denny Rowley  
Birthplace: Wichita, KS  
Spouse/Partner: Lynda  
Phelps



**June 26 - Steve Finnigan**  
"FINANCE/BANKING-Family  
Investments"  
Vice Pres.& Regional  
Manager  
Highmark Capital  
Management  
Elected: 2/5/1998  
Sponsor: Donn Spencer  
Birthplace: Tacoma, WA  
Spouse/Partner: Eileen  
Finnigan



**June 29 - Ed Mawe**  
"HEALTH SERVICES -  
Retirement Facilities"  
President/CEO  
Franke Tobey Jones  
Retirement Estates  
Elected: 2/20/1997  
Sponsor: Roy Kimbel  
Birthplace: Mt. Vernon, WA

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