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Join Us This Thursday at the Landmark Temple Theatre When We Hear Joel Hellenkamp Speak on "Getting Through Each Day"



Joel T. Hellenkamp, MSW grew up in Tacoma under the stress of being the oldest of five brothers. He labored through private school and managed to graduate from Bellarmine Prep in 1975. He has suffered on the soccer field for many years as both a player and coach. He currently carries the burden of being a school counselor at four private schools in Tacoma: St. Charles, St. Patrick's, Holy Rosary and Visitation.

Hellenkamp is also sole practioner in his own business as a clinical social worker in the miserable North End of Tacoma. He has survived 27 years of marriage and has tolerated three grown children. Please, join Joel this Thursday as he gives us a little advice on how to make it through the day in our own stressed out and complicated lives.

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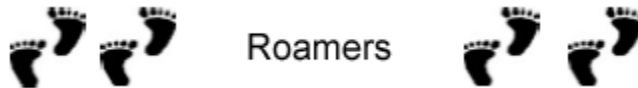
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This Week's Helpers

Thanks so much to the people who will be helping at this week's meeting:
 Invocator - **TBD**
 Greeter - **Rita Morkrid**
 Badge Board - **Jennifer Gilbert, Bryan Flint, AJ Gordon**
 Singer - **John Spencer**
 Piano - **President Steve Smith**
 Birthdays - **Kathleen Olson**
 Fine Counters - **John H. West, Roger Lilley**
 Story Writer - **Terry Taylor**

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June 19 - **Brynn Blanchard** - Fife/Milton
 June 20 - **Bill Matthaei** - Fargo, ND
 June 25 - **Bill Matthaei** - Tacoma North
 June 29 - **Zach Hill** - Gig Harbor
 Unknown - **Christina Ford** - Hawk's Prairie
 July 03 - **Gerald Moczynski** - Sumner
 July 05 - **John Donovan** - Kennewick Columbia Daybreak
 July 03 - **Dean Curry** - Unknown

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Club Anniversaries

Tanya Andrews: 4 years on July 10
Bob Bruback: 8 years on July 08
Kit Evans: 3 years on July 12
Kathleen Olson: 13 years on July 14
Mike Politeo: 4 years on July 10
Ron Thomas: 3 years on July 08
Jim Vest: 22 years on July 11

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Upcoming Meetings: Times and Places

Next Three Meetings

THURSDAY, July 19 - Landmark Temple Theatre, Off-site Meeting - Chambers Bay Golf Course. Please RSVP to the Rotary office.

THURSDAY, July 26 - Landmark Temple Theatre, Commander Mark McCadden, Coast Guard Station, Seattle - Marine Terrorism and Boating Safety.

THURSDAY, August 2 Ed Shadle, North American Eagle Project - Landmark Temple Theatre. See details under Special Announcements.

Committee and Other Meetings



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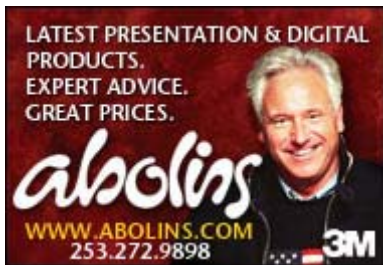


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TUESDAY, July 10 - Classification Committee Meeting, Rotary Office, 11:45am.

THURSDAY, July 12 - Information Meeting, Rotary Office, 3:30pm (please RSVP to Rotary Office).

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 July 5, 2007 meeting.

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Special Announcements

Offsite Meeting Next Week

You won't want to miss our first offsite meeting of this fiscal year -- Thursday, July 19 -- at Washington's newest golf course, Chambers Bay. The cost of the catered lunch will be \$20. Sign-up sheets will be available at the meeting this week or you can email info@rotary8.org to reserve your spot. Please sign up if you plan to attend, as we must give the caterer a guaranteed number. (Signing up for the event commits you to paying for the lunch.)

Ray Schuler has reserved after-the-meeting tee times for 5 teams. All 20 spots are filled and a wait list has been started. For those of you who signed up for golf, notifications will be sent by the end of this week as to whether you are confirmed or on the wait list.



Host Families Wanted

If you are even remotely interested in hosting an exchange student, please contact **Cindy Niemi** (403-1671) or **Corey Hjalseth** (318-6222) for more details. Our club has 3 students arriving towards the end of August from Hungary, Bolivia, and Norway. We have people willing to host while you are on vacation or business trips so please don't let that stop you. We look forward to hearing from you ASAP. Pictured above (from left to right): Balazs Heim, age 17 from the town of Gyor, Hungary; Solveig Larsen, age 17 from Kristiansand, Norway; and Juan Gabriel Salas Justiniano, age 16 from Santa Cruz, Bolivia.

A Fun Excursion to Portland

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Once again we are considering a trip to Portland. The dates would be November 2, 3, and 4. We will take Amtrak from Tacoma to Portland on Friday afternoon, grab a bite to eat and then take the trolley to Portland Improv (we'll ask them to save us front row seats again). Saturday will give us time to visit the Portland Art Museum, shop and have dinner at a nice restaurant before attending *The Underpants* (adapted by Steve Martin) at the Portland Center Stage. Sunday will find us sleeping in and then lunching before going to the World Trade Center for Coco Bliss and her one-person performance of skits and songs in *Chocolate Confessions*. Afterwards actress Joan Freed (Coco Bliss) and her husband will join us for dessert at The Heathman before we move on to Powell's Book Store. We will Amtrak back to Tacoma on Sunday evening.

Details:

We will look for hotel booking via The Portland Big Deal (starts in mid-September) for hotel rooms, which usually offers \$20 off per night, a continental breakfast for two, wine tasting in the evening and free overnight parking. FYI: I don't think we've ever had time for the free wine tasting. The Improv has accommodated us twice before by holding our seats allowing us to waltz in just before curtain time for our front row seats. They should be able to do this again.

Peg and I saw *The Underpants* at A.C.T. in Seattle and it was hilarious. In this side-splitting reinvention of a turn-of-the-century German sex comedy (if you can imagine a German sex comedy), the incomparable Steve Martin (yes, that Steve Martin) focuses his zany eye on the relationship between a prudish butcher and his delectably voluptuous young wife, Louise. Set in 1910, when a glimpse of stocking was something shocking, two very different men face cardiac arrest when they are witness to the full descent of the luscious Louise's lingerie during an outdoor celebration. Louise becomes something of an instant celebrity and a magnet for romantic intrigue in this hilarious, frothy, naughty comedy.

At the art museum there will be two exhibits. In presenting some 60 drawings, prints, and artist books, mainly from the Museum's collection, *Graphic Force*, *Humanist Vision* reveals the immediacy and poignancy of Leonard Baskin's artistic legacy: the common consciousness of humankind. Highlighting the creative collaboration between the artist and master printers, *Chuck Close Prints* demonstrates the ways in which the artist has challenged the accepted boundaries of the printmaking tradition.

In *Chocolate Confessions* we'll be welcomed to the chocolate shop of Coco Bliss, where a mixed assortment of hilarious customers share their deep, dark secrets. In this one-woman musical comedy, you'll meet over a dozen unique characters and hear amusing anecdotes about chocolate, like how M&M candies came to be, the surprising origins of the chocolate chip cookie and a courtroom drama of chocolate on trial for its sins. *Chocolate Confessions* has appeared in 25 cities across the country with rave reviews.

Please, let me know your interest (759-6639 or trainingmedia@yahoo.com), so I can get you on the short list. We're going to have a wonderful time.

Don Doman

Attention: 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!

Need to Make Up a Meeting?

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

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To access the system, go to 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.

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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.

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

July 19 - **Johnny's Dock** - 3001 1900 East D Street - 627-3186.

July 26 - **Katie Downs** - 3211 Ruston Way - 756-0771.

Aug 2 - **Masa** - 2811 6th Avenue - 272-7770.

Thank You Letters to Tacoma 8

Thank you very much for your kindness and generosity. I greatly appreciate the scholarship that was awarded to me and I will be sure to keep in touch during my first year at the University of Puget Sound. I hope to participate in the Rotary program through the University so that I may give back to your organization and the

community as a way of saying "thank you" for the honor you have given me along with the financial aid. Again, thank you very much for your help in funding my education. I am truly grateful!

*Sincerely,
Melissa D.
Stadium High School*

We would like to thank the Tacoma Rotary Foundation for the wonderful grant to the Mount Rainier Chapter American Red Cross. Your support is a blessing as we strive to help people in our community who have been impacted by a life-changing event.

This grant will be used to provide support for families and individuals when they have been turned from their homes because of a catastrophic event. It will provide for financial assistance, clothing, food, temporary shelter, education, etc...Because of heart-felt gifts such as yours, families will be immediately assisted and able to return to a normal life more quickly. Again, thank you for this gift!

*Sincerely,
Gerald Moczynski
CEO, American Red Cross, Mount Rainier Chapter*

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Rotary Happenings - July 5, 2007

By: Bill Kaufmann



The anticipation and pressure were high... no one knew quite what to expect...when **President Steve** rang the bell for his first meeting as Club President. Steve then promptly adjourned the meeting...to the sound of applause. This is sure to be a year to remember!

An invocation was given by **Brynn Blanchard** followed by **Linn Larsen** and **Barbara Mead** leading the National Anthem.

President Steve solicited advice from other club members as he started his year. **Past President Nita Sell** encouraged him to keep the mic in front of speakers, and **Past President Kathleen Olson** suggested he have a separate email address for Rotary. Steve was already on top of that one - his new Rotary email address is steverotary8@aol.com.

President Steve thanked everyone who helped with Galleside last week and complained about the margaritas not being strong enough despite the concerns of his son. This week's Club Anniversaries included: **Victoria Woodards** - 1 year; **Peter Cole** - 2 years; **David Snow** - 4 years.

There were no new members and no visiting Rotarians this week, although **Kim McHugh** was ready to introduce them.

Past President Pat Steel and **David Gardner** volunteered to do Roving Mics, and promoted Rotary Youth Exchange and the need for host families.

President Steve mentioned that sign-up sheets for the offsite meeting at Chambers Bay Golf Course on July 19 were on the tables. Be sure to reserve your spot. A card was also being circulated for **Past President Jeff Lovely**, whose mother-in-law passed away recently.

Birthdays were celebrated by **Past President Don Doman**, despite the fact that none of the actual birthday folks showed up. Don recruited stand-ins so each celebrant still gets to pay their traditional fine. I think it should be a double fine when you don't attend so we can enjoy Don's presentations twice as much.

True Confessions began with President Steve admitting that he doesn't have a proper fine box created yet, but promised that one is coming. **Past President Mike Jones** confessed a change in his marital status; **Bill Kaufmann** noted that Tacoma Goodwill's e-commerce growth is ahead of its retail stores; **Rita Morkrid** shared more insights from her visit to the Rotary Int'l Convention; **Jim Crabbe** paid for an article in the paper - double as a WSU Cougar (a new tradition this year?); **Rusty George** thanked **Past President Mike Dunbar** for throwing a great 4th of July party and making him look good to his date; **Arlene Schubert** went to New York for her niece's graduation; **Gina Brukelman** shared her efforts with the Creative Cities "Love Tacoma" program and success she's had teaching at UW; **Vanessa Hurley** explained about some wine she spilled on Don Doman during Galleside, and told a great story about hearing a lot of pounding on their boat which turned out to be **Donn Irwin** locked in the head; Kathleen Olson noted this is the "Year of the Dog" and that the Humane Society has a husky mix to adopt.

President Steve reintroduced Past President Don Doman who then introduced Chef Steve Eason, Head Executive Chef, Landmark Convention Center.

Chef Steve has been behind the scenes with us for 2 years at the Landmark and has been a big supporter of different local Rotary club events for over 20 years. He mentioned that all his cooking is done from scratch (although we didn't notice him itching) and that he is one of the few trained, educated Executive Chefs in the area. He's involved with Clover Park College where many of his staff are now trained, and also has his own company called "IceWorks." He offered to donate ice sculptures to the upcoming Rotary party.

The highlight of Chef Steve's presentation was a live cooking demonstration with President Steve. Together they prepared a dish called *Provance Chicken* from northern Italy. Chef Steve started with a review of sanitation, which he takes very seriously. Then the fun started - dual pans were heated and doused with olive oil and seasoning. As flames and smoke shot high, attendees were sure they also would be doused by the sprinkler system, but as the smoke cleared, we laughed at a comedic demonstration of President Steve's pan-flipping skills. Chef Steve showed how to flip back from the wrist. Both Steves then prepared to cut some shallots and compared knives. Despite Steve's suggestion that size didn't matter, he did well cutting up everything from garlic to mushrooms to jokes.

President Steve did have challenges when his chicken kept catching fire, how he kept dropping things when flipping the pan, and adding wine whenever Chef Steve wasn't looking. The only thing that was more fun than watching him cook was watching how well Chef Steve kept things serious and how well done his presentation was. He expertly explained differences between sauce and gravy, taught us how Italians remove the pan from the heat to add butter (President Steve couldn't keep his in the pan) and how simply changing the wine used in cooking changes the dish to reflect different regions of Italy. I wasn't sure about Chef Steve's creative burnt garnish but the presentation looked great on the plate, and at least the chicken wasn't burned, despite all the flames.

Past President Pete and Linn Larsen both volunteered to taste test the final results. President Steve's dish was declared "light and delicate" but the master Chef's dish was determined as strong on rosemary and a bit overpowering. My bet is that President Steve's added wine made the difference.

After a few questions on knife sharpening and other tricks, President Steve thanked Chef Steve for his presentation and for all the great Rotary food week after week. He announced next week's program - "Helping Us Get Through Each Day" with speaker Joel Hellenkamp, a psychologist and counselor.

President Steve rang the bell for adjournment reminding members to "Live the Passion for Rotary"

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Happy Birthday Rotarians!



7/9 - Connie Brown
"ASSNS SOC SVCS - Affordable Housing"
Executive Director
Tacoma Pierce County Affordable Housing Consortium
Elected: 12/12/2002
Sponsor: Neel Parikh
Birthplace: Boise, ID
Spouse/Partner: Cathryn Cummings-Bond



7/11 - Joe Gordon, Jr.
"LAW PRACTICE - General"
Partner
Gordon Thomas Honeywell Malanca Peterson & Daheim
Elected: 9/2/1969
Sponsor: Joe Gordon, Sr.
Birthplace: Tacoma, WA
Spouse/Partner: Sandy Gordon



7/9 - Dean Hanks
"ASSNS: SOC SVCS - Goodwill Industries"
Executive Director
Tacoma Goodwill Foundation
Elected: 6/2/2005
Sponsor: Dave Thomas
Birthplace: Southwicks, MA
Spouse/Partner: Brie Ellis



7/12 - Frank Elliott, III
"MARKETING - Promotional Products"
Division Manager
Elliott Sales LLC/Division of Geiger
Elected: 7/29/1982
Sponsor: Mike Hara
Birthplace: St. Louis, MO
Spouse/Partner: Karen Elliott



7/9 - Jim Henderson
"PRINTING & PUBLISHING - Newspapers in Education"
Newspapers in Education Coordinator
The News Tribune
Elected: 8/9/1984
Sponsor: Mike Hara
Birthplace: Tacoma, WA



7/13 - Sue Serko
"GOVERNMENT SERVICES - Judicial"
Judge
Pierce County Superior Court
Elected: 4/6/2006
Sponsor: Kathryn J. Nelson
Birthplace: Brooklyn
Spouse/Partner: Peter Serko



7/11 - Gary Biando
"COMMUNICATIONS - Voice and Data - Service & Equipment"
Commercial Acct. Sales Manager
Rainier Connect
Elected: 3/30/2006
Sponsor: Brian Haynes
Birthplace: Oakland, CA
Spouse/Partner: Lisa Biando



7/14 - Mike Dunbar
"Financial Planning"
Executive Vice President
Financial Planners NW, Inc.
Elected: 5/21/1992
Sponsor: Barry Benson
Birthplace: Yakima, WA
Spouse/Partner: Elizabeth Dunbar



7/11 - Nancy Davis
"GOVERNMENT SERVICES - Metro Parks Tacoma"
Governmental Relations Officer
Metro Parks Tacoma
Elected: 7/27/2006
Sponsor: Becky Fontaine
Birthplace: Minneapolis, MN
Spouse/Partner: Steve Wade

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