

The LTC Connection



Our Mission – To assemble, develop and educate a diverse cadre of skilled leaders who will be catalysts for positive change in our community

**Diversity – Teamwork – Individual
Growth – Service – Communication –
Innovation**

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From the Board

In this newsletter

Jenni Harper, Communications Director

After a brief summer hiatus, we are excited to present our August newsletter to our alumni and supporters!

We sincerely appreciate all that have provided information for inclusion, including our alumni in the news, upcoming fundraisers and volunteer opportunities, and general feedback from previous newsletters. Please continue to give us feedback and provide information for future newsletters. The intent is to send the newsletter by the end of the first week of each month, so **contributions are due by the 25th of each month.**

Also, be sure to click on the "view entire message" link at the bottom of this email as your email provider may "clip" the newsletter for viewing.

Keep reading to learn more:

- Leadership Tri-Cities 25th Anniversary
- Class XXV Participants
- Alumni news and events
- Service opportunities and upcoming fundraisers and events

Also, continue to check our website, as well as Facebook and Linked In pages.

Lastly, thank you all for your continued support of our organization. Your contributions to this newsletter allow us to share *your* successes and triumphs with your fellow alumni. We try to include as much information as we can each month, but without your continued contributions we may miss newsworthy items. Please email any feedback or news for inclusion to ltcwa.communications@gmail.com. News does not need to be limited to the newsletter - we can add to any of our social media platforms or can share via email with the alumni as needed.

Thank you!

Leadership Tri-Cities' 25th Anniversary

2020 marks the 25th graduating class of

Leadership Tri-Cities, and the 25th anniversary of Class I's graduation. Throughout this year, the alumni director will be communicating with participants of Class I to commemorate their experience with the program and to learn more about their leadership journey since graduation.



Class XXV News

Class XXV begins their year

On Wednesday, August 7, Class XXV will officially begin their year. The day will begin with the Ropes Course at Columbia Park, and will end with a reception where they will meet the board and their session directors, and learn what to expect from the coming year.

The following Friday, they will travel to Wenatchee for the retreat. They will learn more about each other and the program, although this is only the beginning. Throughout the next nine months, they will attend ten sessions days, receive leadership development training, plan and execute a community service project, and develop deep personal relationships that will hopefully remain with them for the rest of their lives. They will learn about the Tri-Cities, each other, and themselves.

Class XXV consists of representatives from Kadlec Medical Center, Kennewick School District, Richland School District, CHPRC, Communities in Schools, City of Pasco, Lamb Weston, Energy Northwest, Columbia Basin College, Visit Tri-Cities, Community Action Connections, Cisco Systems, Green2Go, Numerica Credit Union, NE Technical Services, Columbia Basin College Foundation, Lourdes Health Network, Lifetime Dental Care, and Battelle-PNNL.

Please welcome Class XXV as they embark on their journey this year:

Ivy Anderson
Jennifer Behrends
Deborah Burke
Michelle Coy
Ubalдина Creek
Michele Crowley
Jessie Dietrich
Danielle Dunigan
Keeley Gant
Gretchen Guerrero
Elizabeth Hernandez Osorio
Melissa Hess
Tom Kimball
Jillian Klym
Neilan McPartland
Michael Peterson
Anneke Rachinski
Jill Raines
Bradley Sainsbury
Eric Smith
Dana Storms



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Alumni News and Events

Class XXIV graduation and Alumnus of the Year

Jenni Harper, Communications Director

Graduation for Class XXIV was held Wednesday, June 12 at the Three Rivers Convention Center. Nearly 200 people attended to celebrate the class on their achievement, as well as congratulate Brian Ace, Class XIII, as this year's Alumnus of the Year recipient.



Each year the class selects a project that benefits an organization within the community. Class XXIV partnered with Domestic Violence Services of Benton & Franklin Counties (DVSFB). The class made several improvements to their shelter, including upgrades to the staircase, installing an improved security system and play area for children, and making several minor improvements to the property. In addition to these upgrades, the class presented DVSFB

with a check for \$21,000 – the remainder of the funds raised from their benefit held in April.

Leadership Tri-Cities recognized Brian Ace, Class XIII, as recipient of the 2019 Alumnus of the Year Award. Brian was instrumental in the completion of the new Boys & Girls Club facility in East Kennewick which will serve about 250 students in an area identified as a critical concern, lacking in programs and outreach dedicated to changing kids' lives. This project, along with others, shows the time, energy and passion Brian puts in to make sure our local youth have safe places and educational resources to become our next generation of leaders.

Brian spoke to the class of his experience with Leadership Tri-Cities, and hoped they all were left feeling "tired, but inspired" after their year.



Congratulations to Leadership Tri-Cities Class XXIV:

Renee Adams, Mid-Columbia Ballet
Brandon Andersen, Bonsai Audio
Kaitlin Carter, Energy Northwes
Crystal Carter, Rebuilding Mid-Columbia
Jerry Cochran, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
Megan Cook, Walla Walla Community College
Hector Cruz, Visit Tri-Cities
Jennifer Cunnington, STCU
Adele Dallman, Washington River Protection Solutions
Michelle DeGooyer, Medicity
Scott Hagihara, Lamb Weston
Diane Hamlin, Kadlec
Patti Jones, CHPRC
Lori Lott, Tri-Cities Cancer Center Foundation
Ryan Malm, Columbia Basin College
Leo Martinez Jr., Numerica Credit Union
Marc Newman, 1st Security Bank
Cindy Powell, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
Julie Schroeder, Academy of Children's Theatre
Sara Schwan, The Children's Reading Foundation
Richa Sigdel, City of Pasco
Kelsie Smith, Columbia Basin College
Tracy Spooner, Mission Support Alliance
Ben Stewart, Energy Northwest
Rebecca Weber, Washington State Department of Agriculture

Join the Alumni Association

Each class experience is full of learning, networking and development of our individual leadership skills. This life changing experience should not end at the completion of your class! Instead, as a larger group, continue your LTC journey as part of a strong, unified alumni membership group. Invest in your continued leadership development by becoming an alumni member of LTC for \$50 on an annual basis or pay \$300 for lifetime membership.

Your alumni membership includes:

- Paid admittance to Class Graduation
- Reduced rate to First Fridays
- Ability to participate in an annual service project
- Access to the annual social
- Opportunity to nominate an alumnus for the "Alumnus of the Year" Award

Click [here](#) to join or renew your membership.

Do you have anything exciting you'd like to share with your fellow alumni? Are you especially proud of one of your classmates? Let us know and we'll share it in an upcoming newsletter! Email lrcwa.communications@gmail.com.

Service opportunities / Fundraisers / Events

The 2019 Tumbleweed Music Festival will

be held Labor Day Weekend, August 30 - September 1, at Howard Amon Park in Richland.

Volunteers are still needed to ensure the event is a success. If you are interested in volunteering, please click [here](#) to sign up.



RiverFest
2019 Our Rivers,
Our Way of Life
#RiverFest2019TC
#DamProud

**Saturday,
Sept 7, 2019**
Columbia Park, Lampson Pits
Kennewick, WA | 10am-4pm

- CELEBRATE OUR RIVERS
- LEARN WHY DAMS ARE IMPORTANT
- EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS
- HANDS ON LEARNING EXPERIENCES
- MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT
- LOCAL RETAIL & FOOD VENDORS

**FUN & FREE
FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY**

Scan this QR code to visit Facebook and see all the updates and info about RiverFest activities!

For info about how to get involved contact:
Pasco Chamber of Commerce
509.547.9755 | info@pascochamber.org | pascochamber.org



Come enjoy a delicious lunch by Henry's catering while also enjoying a short program about the growth at ACT.

The event will be limited to exactly one hour and will get you back to work in a most timely manner.

- Thursday, September 26
- 12 PM - 1 PM
- 213 Wellsian Way, Richland

There is a suggested \$100-minimum donation with the added option to purchase a sponsored chair in our brand new theatre space, complete with your name or personal message engraved.

Finding fundraisers and events around town

- [Tri-City Herald Arts & Entertainment page](#) or search their [online calendar](#)
- Tri-Cities Area Journal of Business [Events Calendar](#)
- Facebook (from the desktop)
 - Click on "Events" on the left side of your home page
 - On the right side of the screen, there are links under "Find Events"
 - Search under "causes"
 - You can further sort by date, city, or change the category

If you are aware of an event you'd like to share with the LTC community, please let us know by sending information and a link to the event page to Jenni Harper at lrcwa.communications@gmail.com

Public boards and commissions

Many of our local cities and counties have volunteer opportunities and/or public commission vacancies. If you've ever been interested in serving on a board or commission and don't know where to start, please start by visiting your local municipality's website! You would be surprised how many opportunities there are to serve!

Examples of service opportunities are: Public Facilities District Board, Americans with Disabilities Act Board, Economic Development Committees, Library Board of Trustees, Lodging Tax Advisory Committee, Parks and Recreation Commission, Personnel Committee, Utility Advisory Committee, Parks and Recreation Commission, Mosquito Control District Board, Planning Commission, Historic Preservation Commission, Arts Commission, Veteran's Advisory Board, Horticultural Pest and Disease Control Board...and that's just to name a few!

[City of Kennewick](#), [City of Pasco](#), [City of Richland](#), [City of West Richland](#), [Benton County](#), [Franklin County](#)

If you are aware of any volunteer and/or board opportunities you'd like listed, please let us know at lrcwa.communications@gmail.com

Calendar

- August 7 - Class XXV Ropes Course
- August 7 - Class XXV Reception
- August 9 & 10 - Class XXV Retreat, Wenatchee
- August 14 - LTC Board of Directors Meeting
- September 11 - LTC Board of Directors Meeting
- September 18 - Economic Development Session Day

[Master Calendar](#)

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Newsletter contributions

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

What type of information would you like to see in the Leadership Tri-Cities newsletter?

Please let us know what you like, what you don't like, and what you'd like to see more of. If your organization is involved in a project you'd like to share, if you've been in the news, or if you have anything you'd like your Leadership Tri-Cities community to know about, please let us know so we can include it in a future newsletter! Email suggestions to ltcwa.communications@gmail.com

We'd also like to feature our alumni in the news. If anything exciting is happening in your life - if you've recently been promoted, elected, or appointed to a position that will bring positive change to your community, let us know and we'll let your fellow LTC alumni know!

The LTC Connection is compiled and distributed monthly by the board of directors. Send submissions to Jenni Harper at ltcwa.communications@gmail.com by the 25th of each month for publication the following month.

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