

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**

March 10, 2019

2019 Issue 3

From the Board

In this newsletter

Jenni Harper, Communications Director

We are excited to present our March newsletter to our alumni!

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:

- Class XXV Applications and Information Session
- Alumnus of the Year nomination process
- LTC board opportunities
- Alumni news and events
- Class XXIV updates
- Service opportunities and upcoming fundraisers

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!

Class XXV Applications Open - Information session March 28

The application period for
Class XXV is now open



Leadership Tri-Cities

Class XXV (2019-2020) Information Session

Open House

Thursday, March 28
5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

TRIDEC - Bechtel Board Room
7130 W. Grandridge Boulevard, Kennewick

No Need to RSVP!
Bring a Friend!

For more information, contact Class XXV Director Susan
Coleman ltcclassdirector@gmail.com

through April 30 at 5 p.m..
Important dates and
participant expectations are
posted on

www.leadershiptricity.com.

The application can be
accessed [here](#).

An information session will be
held Thursday, March 28
from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. at
Tridec, 7130 W. Grandridge
Boulevard, Kennewick.
Alumni are encouraged to
attend; please come and
share your amazing
experiences with hopeful
applicants! Light
refreshments will be served.

Opportunity to give back to LTC

If you are one of our 500 alumni that have benefited from the LTC learning experience, you have an opportunity to continue being a catalyst for positive change in our community by serving on our Board of Directors or volunteering for our non-profit organization. You recognize the value of service and teamwork, and we sincerely invite you to apply for a Board of Director position or let us know your skill-set and capacity to contribute.

Board openings for the 2019-2020 session year are **highlighted** below. Applications will be accepted through April 30 at 5:00 p.m.. Please contact ltcwa.chair@gmail.com with any questions.

APPLY NOW

2019 - 2020

Board of Directors and board openings

Executive Committee

Chairman: [Rick Redden](#), Class XVII (

Vice Chair: Vacant

Class Director (Class XXIV): [Spain Abney](#), Class XX

Class Director (Class XXV): Susan Coleman, Class XIX

Class Director-Elect, Class XXV, Open

Alumni Development: [Tawni Gama](#), Class XXII

Secretary: [Jennifer Mitchell](#), Class XVI

Treasurer: [Stephæn Harrell](#), Class I

Executive Committee positions are each one-year terms and are open for applications each year.

At Large Directors

Leadership Development, Class XXIV: Garth Reed, Class XVI (outgoing)

Leadership Development, Class XXV: Spain Abney, Class XX

Communications: Jenni Harper, Class XXII

Sponsorships: Darci Teel, Class III (shadow needed 2019-2020)

Events: Anne Spilman, Class XXII (shadow needed 2019-2020)

At-Large Directors are three year terms, with the first year being a shadow to the current at-large director.

Session Directors

Agriculture: Justin Toner, Class XXI (shadow needed 2019-2020)

Arts & Culture: Candice Jones, Class XXI (shadow needed 2019-2020)

Economic Development: Tracie Cowin, Class XXI (shadow needed 2019-2020)

Education (2018-2019): Sarah Thornton, Class X (outgoing)

Education (2019-2020): Alyssa St. Hilaire, Class XVIII

Hanford Site: Jill Conrad, Class XX (shadow needed 2019-2020)

Human Needs & Services: JoDee Garretson, Class II (shadow needed 2019-2020)

Law & Justice: Ricky Walsh, Class II (shadow needed 2019-2020)

Local & State Government (2018-2019): Randy Hansen, Class XXII (outgoing)

Local & State Government (2019-2020): Jamie Arevalo, Class XXI

Medical & Health Services (2018-2019): Becky Grohs, Class XIII (outgoing)

Medical & Health Services (2019-2020): Kirk Williamson, Class I

Session Directors are three year terms, with the first year being a shadow to the current session director.

There are occasions where alumni volunteers are needed for session days and pre-learning activities; this can be in the form of providing transportation, participating in exercises, or lending expertise for pre-learning events. Please let us know if you are interested and we will contact you as needs arise. Contact

lrcwa.communications@gmail.com

Show your support for LTC

Wear your name badge on session days

Kirk Williamson (Class I) suggests all alumni proudly display their class name tags on session days. When people ask what this means, you'll have the opportunity to share the impact Leadership Tri-Cities has had on you and the community!

If you're not able to wear your name tag, your alumni lapel pin will work also!

Class XXIV Session Days

March 20 - Medical & Health Services

April 17 - Arts & Culture

May 15 - Hanford Site

June 12 - Leadership Forward & Graduation



Visit us
on Facebook

Class XXIV news

Class XXIV Fundraiser a success

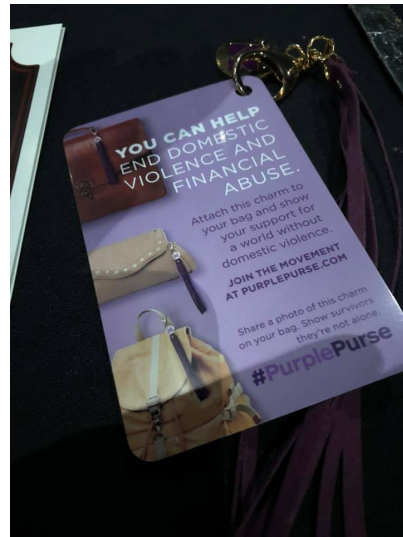
Class XXIV's fundraiser to benefit [Domestic Violence Services of Benton and Franklin Counties](#) was held Friday, March 8 at the Uptown Theater in Richland.

Class XXIV President Renée Adams emceed the event, which featured a 1940s style radio show, "Nick Danger, Third Eye". The show was directed by Class XXIV member Julie Schroeder and featured talented actors from Class XXIV, LTC alumni, and the community.

Class XXIV did an amazing job of coordinating the event, the entertainment and the silent and live auctions. Proceeds from the event will go towards the class project to benefit Domestic Violence Services of Benton and Franklin Counties.

Domestic Violence Services of Benton and Franklin Counties' executive director Dan Aspiri spoke on the services DVSBF provides and the need for this organization in our community.

Photos, Anne Spilman



Class XXIV's next session day, Medical & Health Services, will be held Wednesday, March 20



Alumni News

Applications open for Alumnus of the Year award

Call for 2019 Alumnus of the Year Award Nominations

This award recognizes alumni who are the embodiment of Leadership Tri-Cities mission of developing knowledgeable leaders to serve our community and become catalysts for change. As the highest award bestowed, these recipients have achieved exceptional success in their professions, serve as exemplary role models, demonstrate commitment and service to Leadership Tri-Cities, and have bettered their community.

Criteria:

- Leadership Tri-Cities graduate
- Significance of contributions to his/her community
- Service and commitment to Leadership Tri-Cities
- Demonstration of mentorship and service to others
- Other factors for consideration

[Nomination Form](#)

[List of Alumni](#)

Past Recipients

2018 Alumnus of the Year, [Craig Maloney](#)

2017 Alumnus of the Year, [Emily Estes-Cross](#)

Applications accepted through April 30, 2019 at 5:00 p.m..

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
- Right to nominate an alumnus for the "Alumnus of the Year" Award

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

Continue to watch your inboxes and the Leadership Tri-Cities [webpage](#) for information regarding alumni events, Class XXIV graduation, and more!

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 ltcwa.communications@gmail.com.

Service opportunities / Fundraisers / Events

Local police/sheriff's citizen's academies

Pasco Police Department: March 19 - May 7th, Tuesdays, 6-9 p.m. Contact aparicior@pasco-wa.gov or 509-545-3411. Register at <https://www.pasco-wa.gov/375/Citizen-Academy> or in person at the front desk of the Pasco Police Department at 215 W. Sylvester St, Pasco, WA 99301.

Kennewick Police Department: Learn what Kennewick Police Department does on a daily basis to keep the community safe. This is a 10 class academy spanning 5 weeks from April 30 - May 30 from 6pm - 8:30pm. (Tuesdays & Thursdays) [Application Form](#)

Benton County Sheriff's Office: The Benton County Sheriff's Office is offering a free 5-week Citizen Academy for the public to be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 6:00-8:00 pm. The Academy teaches the public about law enforcement and the day-to-day operations of the department. Most classes are held at the Benton County Health Department with the exception of the two tours. [Application Form](#)



Communities in Schools Benton-Franklin, Breakfast, May 16, 7:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

Come enjoy a quick complimentary breakfast while you learn how your contributions to Communities In Schools of Benton-Franklin (CISBF) make a difference in the lives of individual students, and how donors like you support over 13,000 students to grow and graduate. With your support, every student we serve in Benton-Franklin can aim for a bright future. We will be highlighting a panel of students to discuss their challenges and achievements!

Communities In Schools of Benton-Franklin is a bi-county, independent, nonprofit agency that works directly in schools to surround students with a community of support empowering them to achieve in school and in life. Currently, CISBF serves students in 26 schools across Richland, Pasco, Prosser and Kennewick.

This is a benefit and guests will be asked to consider making a donation to support our work during the program. Every \$1.00 donated to CIS provides \$11.60 of economic benefit for the community.

[Communities in Schools Benton-Franklin](#)



**Digital Dirt: Guide to Small Business Social Media Success
Sponsored by Port of Pasco**

The internet has many of the things a seed of an idea needs to grow into a successful

small business. Just like a garden, however, there's always more than you could be doing. This presentation will cover the research behind the impact social media has on your bottom line as well as the outbound and inbound strategies that make social media actually work. For everything from zero budgets to a full-scale marketing and PR blitz, this presentation will help you create the framework upon which your idea can take bloom.

What you will learn:

The research behind what impacts social media has on your bottom line.

Social media content creation and scheduling strategies

Customer service expectations and processes

Strategies for no budget, small budgets, and full advertising plans

When:

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

From 4:30 to 6:30 PM, PST

Where:

Bechtel Board Rm

7130 W Grandridge Blvd Ste A.

Kennewick, WA 99336

Contact:

Janice Vesper

Mid-Columbia SCORE Chap. 0590

509-735-1000 Ext. 235

Presenter: Andrea Parrish

Andrea Parrish is the Digital Marketing Assistant Manager at STCU. She has over a decade of experience in social and digital marketing, including a wedding that went viral, several successful Kickstarter campaigns, and heading social media for a variety of organizations in the Inland Northwest.

Mid-Columbia Tri-Cities SCORE

Rebuilding Mid-Columbia fundraiser May 18 (new date)

Rebuilding Mid-Columbia

@rebuildingmc

Invites you to...

THERE'S NO PLACE Like Home Fundraiser

Save the Date

MAY 18TH

Best Western Plus
 - Formerly the M Hotel -
 1515 George Washington Way
 Richland

- Cocktail hour at 5:30p
- Auction 6:30-8:30p

Performance by
 Academy of Children's Theatre
 to follow

Tri-Cities Cancer Center Foundation's 19th Annual Cancer Crushing Breakfast - March 19

**Tri-Cities Cancer Center Foundation's
 19th Annual Cancer Crushing Breakfast**

Tuesday, March 19th, 7:30 a.m.

Three Rivers Convention Center

Reserve your seat before March 8th by calling (509) 737-3373

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Richland High School Mock Interviews March 26

Richland High School would like to invite Leadership Tri-Cities alumni to be a part of their Mock Interview Event being held on

Tuesday, March 26th from 7:55 am to 2:30 pm in the library at RHS (930 Long Avenue, Richland). Mock Interviews provide the junior class students with the opportunity to practice real life interviewing skills and help them prepare to apply for senior year internships as well as college entrance meetings.

RHS is seeking volunteers from the community to assist with this project. Volunteers will interview students individually and provide feedback on all aspects of the interview process. The Mock Interview lasts 15 minutes per student; which consists of a 10 minute interview followed by a 5 minute feedback and discussion period. Volunteers will be provided with each student's resume and cover letter prior to the interviews. Please contact Monica Brink directly at monica.brink@rsd.org if you are interested in being a participant and how many hours you are willing to volunteer. For those of you who have participated in the past, RHS invites you to join them again for this important event.



Household Hazardous Waste Collection day - Benton County (dates updated)

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION EVENTS

SATURDAY, APRIL 6	SATURDAY, APRIL 27
9 AM - 3 PM COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS 1500 S OAK STREET	9 AM - 3 PM COUNTY ROAD SHOP 102808 WISER PKWY
ITEMS ACCEPTED: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paints• Propane Tanks• Cleaners• Gasoline (less than 20 gallons)• Yard chemicals & fertilizers• Motor oils & antifreeze• Batteries - acid or alkaline• Fire extinguishers	ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Explosives & dynamite• Asbestos• Ammunition• Biohazards• Tires• Medicines• Electronics• Gasoline (more than 20 gallons)• Business/contractor waste• Fluorescent bulbs & tubes

QUESTIONS? Contact Solid Waste at 509-786-5611 or publicworks@co.benton.wa.us

Franklin County's Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility:

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility
1721 Dietrich Road in Pasco
(Between Basin Recycling and BDI Transfer)
Ph: (509) 547-2088

[Get Directions](#)

Hours of Operation

Mon-Friday, 10 am to 3 pm (or by Appointment)

Website: http://www.co.franklin.wa.us/solid_waste/household_hazard.html

For more information and resources on sustainability in the Tri-Cities, visit [Go Green Tri-Cities](#).

Therapeutic Riding of Tri-Cities (TROT) Mane Event, May 18



www.trot3cities.org 509-412-0112

"HORSES HELPING HUMANS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS!
WE DO APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT TO PROVIDE THERAPEUTIC
AND RECREATIONAL SERVICES TO OUR COMMUNITY"

TROT'S MANE EVENT

LIVE FROM VEGAS!
DUELING PIANOS

MAY 18TH, 2019
6:30PM CHECK IN 7:00PM PERFORMANCE
VINEYARD - HOLIDAY INN, PASCO



FOUNDATION for the Future

Boys & Girls Club Benefit Breakfast

Join us for a free breakfast and see how your support greatly impacts the lives of local kids.

Tuesday, April 9th, 2019
Three Rivers Convention Center,
7:30 am - 8:30 am



To attend or host a table, contact Amber York at amber.york@greatclubs.org or call 509-543-9980

Tri-Cities Community
Blindfold Walk



Take part in the Blindfold Walk and experience situations blind and partially sighted individuals encounter every day. All proceeds support the Edith Bishel Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

What's Involved?

Participants will walk in pairs along a designated one-mile route. For the first half, one person will wear a blindfold while the other person guides them, then they will swap roles at the half mile marker.

There may be additional challenges in route.

There is an entry fee and we also ask you to raise sponsorship to support our work helping to make a visible difference for people locally who are visually impaired or blind.

Other activities will include, Beeping Baseball, White Cane Course, and other blindfolded activities.

When Will The Walk Take Place?

May 18th 2019-11:00 am -1:00 pm- Registration opens at 10:00 am.

Where?

Highlands Grange Park
1600 S. Union St.
Kennewick, WA



How Much?

\$10 for adults

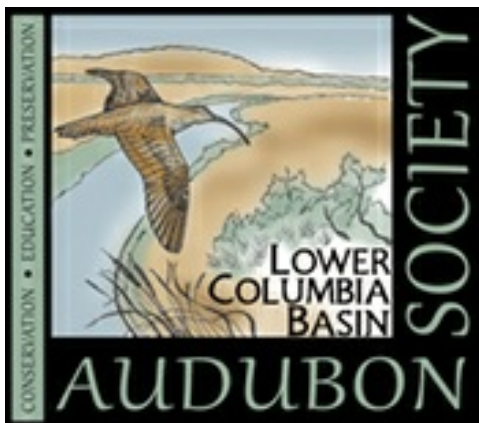
\$5 for 8 -16 year-olds

7 years old and under are free

(under 16 must be accompanied by an adult)

For more information visit: www.EdithBishelCenter.org or call 509-735-0699

Bateman Island Cleanup Day - Saturday, March 23 9 am - Noon



Meet at the parking area overlooking the entrance to Bateman Island ([see map](#)). The areas to be cleaned up will be the Island, Wye Park, the shoreline running west from Wye Park and possibly the bike path across the Yakima. Bring work gloves if you have them and dress for the weather.

[Text Link](#)

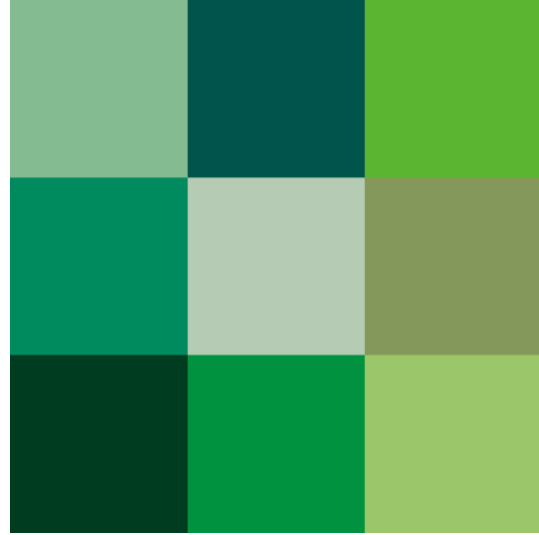


DrewBoy Creative's signature color show celebrates its four year anniversary with the color green. With nearly 50 participating artists you do not want to miss this show!

Show runs through April 18, 2019.

This juried show is sponsored by Prohibition Glass, Allen Brecke Law Offices, and Numerica Credit Union.

<http://www.drewboycreative.com/events/2019/2/15/the-green-show>



Call for Art, The Piñata Show

DrewBoy Creative extends a call for art to artists and dreamers to propose their own artistic interpretations of the piñatas. Piñatas of all shapes and sizes will be accepted for this juried show.

Tip: if you can find your design concept in a retail store, we encourage you to dig deeper and submit a piñata that is truly one of a kind. A People's Choice Award will be given.

<http://www.drewboycreative.com/the-pinata-show-call-for-art>



Celebration of Science, April 20

Now in its third year, the 2019 Celebration of Science (#CoSci19) celebrates Our Scientific Heritage. The event moves to The Fingernail in Howard Amon Park in 2019 to facilitate better non-motorized access, more picnic facilities, and more opportunities for families to enjoy the day. The theme for this event, "Our Scientific Heritage," recognizes how scientific and engineering investments of the past shape our present and future. For the third year running, there will be booths hosted by local community organizations and businesses.

This free, family-friendly event brings the community together to enjoy hands-on science activities and engage with some of the world-class scientists who live and work in the Mid-Columbia region. Previous events spawned business opportunities and friendships, increased participation in local programs, and inspired young minds to be future engineers, developers, and scientists.



[Click here for a list of exhibitors.](#)

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

- March 13 - Board Meeting, Clearwater Hapo
- March 20 - Medical & Health Services Session
- April 10 - Board Meeting, Clearwater Hapo
- April 17 - Arts & Culture Session
- May 8 - Board Meeting
- May 15 - Hanford Session
- June 12 - Graduation

[Master Calendar](#)

Sponsorships

Thank you to our gracious 2018-2019 sponsors:

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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 lctwa.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!

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