



ROTARY CLUB OF TACOMA #8

We are bringing together business and professional leaders to provide humanitarian services, to encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and to advance goodwill and peace around the world.

The Gearshift is a weekly publication to inform members of current events in the Rotary Club of Tacoma #8.



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Rotary 
Club of Tacoma #8

This week's meeting:

12-1pm

La Quinta Inn & Suites
1425 East 27th St
Tacoma, WA 98421

Stepping Into The Spotlight

AUCTION RAFFLE | \$50 EACH | YOUR CHANCE TO WIN

Stepping Into The Spotlight

\$1,000 Cash!

CAN'T MAKE IT TO A MEETING?

YOU CAN NOW PURCHASE A RAFFLE TICKET BY CALLING OR EMAILING THE OFFICE

FULL OUT FOR A CHANCE TO WIN THE RAFFLE #0100 THE DRAWING WILL BE ON SATURDAY APRIL 26th AT 1:00PM - NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN



CONGRATULATIONS
2025 – 2028
CLUB DIRECTORS



JIM TANASSE



HARRISON
LAIRD



AMANDA
BURROWS



MICHELE
JOHNSON



This Thursday



City of Tacoma
WASHINGTON



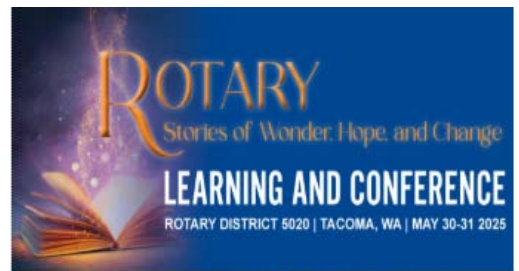
As Public Works Department Director for the City of Tacoma, Ramiro Chavez is responsible for the City's facilities management and real property services, street operations and grounds maintenance, streetlights and traffic signals, capital projects, design and construction services, fleet services, parking management, active transportation and traffic safety programs, commercial vehicle enforcement, and local improvement districts. More than 300 City staff are employed with the Public Works Department, which has a 2023/2024 adopted Biennial Budget of \$250 million.

Ramiro came from the County Manager position for Thurston County, where he oversaw the Public Works, Public Health, Social Services, and Economic Development departments. Ramiro began serving as County Manager for Thurston County in an interim capacity, starting in June 2016, and in a permanent capacity starting in February 2017. Ramiro joined the City of Tacoma as a part of his return to his passion for public works.

With a robust background in public works, architecture, public administration, and project management, Ramiro brings both expertise and dedication to public service. From August 2014 to June 2016, Ramiro served as Public Works Director for Thurston County, where he oversaw utilities and public spaces, including transportation and parks. From September 2003 to August 2014, Ramiro served as Transportation Division Manager for Pierce County's Public Works Department.



Meeting Sponsors



JOIN US FOR AN INSPIRING ROTARY DISTRICT 5020 CONFERENCE!

Greetings, Fellow Rotarians and Guests!

I am excited to invite you to join me and your fellow Rotarians at the Rotary District 5020 Conference and Learning event in Tacoma, WA, on May 30-31, 2025.

Don't miss out on this exciting opportunity to engage in valuable learning, meaningful fellowship, and hear from motivational speakers.

You'll be inspired by powerful "Rotary Stories of Wonder, Hope, and Change". It's the perfect occasion to spark new ideas and build lasting connections with fellow Rotarians!

In Rotary Service,
Bill McGregor
District 5020 Governor 2024-2025

Our club has limited funds available to assist individuals who wish to attend the District Conference. Contact David in the office for more information.

RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE NOW

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| <p><i>Stepping Into The Spotlight</i></p> <p>Name: _____ Address: _____ E-mail: _____ Phone: _____</p> <p><small>TO ENTER DRAW A CHANCE TO WIN THE RAFFLE #03100</small></p> | <p>AUCTION RAFFLE \$50 EACH YOUR CHANCE TO WIN</p> <p><i>Stepping Into The Spotlight</i></p> <p>\$1,000 CASH</p> <p><small>THE DRAWING WILL BE ON LATEFRIDAY APRIL 30TH AT 2:00 PM - NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN #03100</small></p> |
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| <p>\$50 each</p> | <p>Rotary Auction Special</p> <p>CARRS</p> <p><i>Restaurant & Catering</i></p> <p>This coupon is good for 25% off ONE meal 11006 Bridgeport Way SW Lakewood, WA 98499 Coupon Expires 12-31-25</p> |
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PURCHASE BEFORE & AFTER MEETINGS

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| <p>Rotary Club of Tacoma #8</p> | |
| <p>MEMBERSHIP PROPOSAL</p> | |
| <p>Unless written comments are submitted to the board within 7 days of this posting, the following individual will be invited to membership:</p> | |
| <p>ANALEE FLUEGEL</p> | |
| <p>Classification: Food & Beverage - Restaurants</p> | |
| <p>Sponsor: Amanda Burrows</p> | |

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Doug Jonson
Financial Advisor

 **American Red Cross**
Serving South Puget Sound
and Olympics
Executive Director, Dan Wirth

Virtual streaming of Tacoma Rotary Club
meetings can be viewed on


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DINNER AND AUCTION **Rotary** 
Club of Tacoma # 8
SATURDAY APRIL 26, 2025
5:30 – 10:00 pm
Stepping Into The Spotlight

STAR CENTER, 3873 SOUTH 66TH TACOMA


March Broadcasts
Thursday March 6th
Thursday March 20th
Thursday March 27th
12 – 1pm



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EGOT \$10,000


EMMY \$7,500


GRAMMY \$5,000

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Mike & Liz Dunbar

GRAMMY \$5,000
Kathi Willis

OSCAR \$2,500



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Cindy Grady
Stacey & Ed Ogle

TONY \$1,500






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Buck Thompson
Barry & Sharon Benson
Michele Johnson
Donna Haynes
Jim & Deb Tanasse
Cynthia Darland
Greg & Sonja Rolsma
Joe & Sandra Gordon

PEOPLE'S CHOICE \$500
Marsha & Andrew Burns
Jan Brazzell & Wolfgang Opitz
Rick Oldenburg
Jeff & Kim Albers
Whitney Grisaffi



Next Thursday



Founder of The Peace Bus, Kwabi Amoah-Forson plans and manages humanitarian campaigns, promotes messages of peace through a variety of platforms, such as social media,

community events, and keynote speeches, and foster partnerships with other local organizations.

Kwabi aims to bring people together, inspire positive change, and empower people to promote peace and equality.

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Saturday March 22, 2025
12:00pm – 2:30pm
3318 92ND Street South
Lakewood, WA 98402

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Friday March 28, 2025
6:00 – 9:00am
Breakfast 425 South Tacoma Way
Tacoma, WA 98402



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IT'S ALL ABOUT YOU



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| BILL DUPPENTHALER | MARCH 18TH |
| KIRSTEN WILLIS | MARCH 19TH |
| DAN WIRTH | MARCH 19TH |
| MIKE HANSCH | MARCH 22ND |
| JACK CONNELLY | MARCH 22ND |



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| FRED MATTHAEI | 44 YEARS |
| JERRY MCGLAUGHLIN | 28 YEARS |
| SHON SYLVIA | 18 YEARS |
| LAURIE JINKINS | 16 YEARS |
| NICK FRANK | 9 YEARS |
| BRIAN HEAVEN | 1 YEAR |

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