

U-CLUB NEWS



Rogue River Valley University Club

November 2017



**Please be sure
to use your new
Club member-
ship badge**

Founders Dinner - November 9

This year's Founder's Dinner will focus on the 1950s as the Club's History Committee annually works its way through the decades of the Club's existence. This year's event will celebrate with some tidbits from the Club's past, a decade-appropriate bar and menu and the music of the 1950s. Jefferson Public Radio music host, Craig Faulkner, who presents one of the nation's premiere oldies music programs, will be on hand for to present music of the decade along with both funny and serious stories about the artists who shaped American music in the 1950s. And, of course, presentation of the Annual Bull Throwing Award!

Our 1950s dinner menu includes Smoked Salmon Blini and Chex Mix appetizers, Baked Tomato soup, Bourbon Beef Kabobs and a Potato Volcano. Mamie Eisenhower's Million Dollar Fudge, with Raspberry Sauce, will cap the meal. A vegetarian meal is available on request to Lori.

Founders Dinner is \$45 per person and registration is now open at [Founders Dinner](#) or by calling the Club at 541-772-4707.

**Make Your Reservation NOW for the Club's 2017 Holiday
Party Thursday, December 14**

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SPOTLIGHT

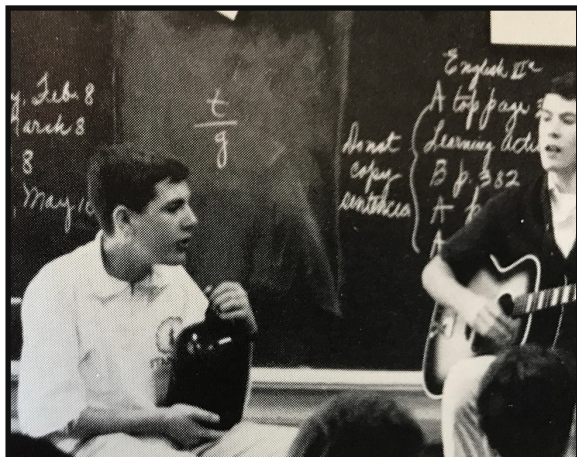
Dick Thierolf

A graduate of Columbia University and the University of Oregon Law School, Richard Thierolf practices law in Medford. When he was a child and was asked what he wanted to do when he grew up, he would answer "Be retired." He is not retired yet and has been practicing for 41 years so far.

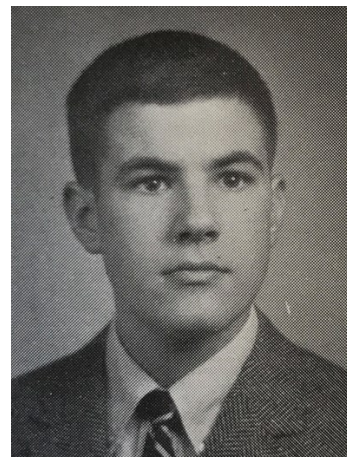
He attended Roosevelt and then Hoover elementary schools and was the first string center as a 6th grader for the Hoover Hurricanes. He continued playing football at Hedrick, but Coach Don Stroh took him aside and said that he was just too small to play high school football. Asked if that protected his brain cells from concussion, Dick said he wasn't at all sure of it. When playing Brain Bowl for the Medford Rotary Club, he pushed the buzzer to be one to answer the question, "Which angel gave the news to Mary that she was carrying God's child?" He answered "Elias," not Gabriel and his fellow Rotarians hooted at him.

He was on the Medford High debate squad, where he specialized in Impromptu Speech.

Asked if, in his forty years as an attorney, he had ever won a case, Dick answered with assurance: "Yes." He said a notable win was a case he handled regarding the Hoopa Valley Reservation. In court, he won a judgement that their Reservation was expansive, stretching from the Trinity River to the Klamath River. The victory was short lived, however, when an immediate act of Congress on this sole issue split the reservation in half. Still, it took an act of Congress to beat him.



Asked if he had any final thoughts for the Club Dick said, "I am proud to live in one of the fifty worst cities in America." Then, he added, "Actually I don't really live in Medford. I live in Ashland."



(above left) Thierolf as a virtuoso washboard player
(above right) high school graduation photo

Badge Zone!

Newer Club Members have often expressed discomfort over not readily knowing (and remembering!) the names of other seated at their table. **Additionally, one of the prominent comments from newer Member who resign is their**



“difficulty fitting in” when not knowing many Members. Club vice-president Pe-

ter Sage and board member Greg Koenig decided to take action and funded producing badges for everyone who has attended the Club during the past 24 months. Magnetic badges are located in a case on the table immediately to your left as you end the dining room. PLEASE USE THEM and leave them on our table when you leave (Lori will return them to the box).

October Luncheon Speaker

Bill Thorndike



On October 12, a full house enjoyed Bill's presentation on Slovenia and Crater Lake National Monument's "sister/brother park", Triglay National Park. Slovenian Lunar 8 wine was a welcome bonus!



"Let us remember that the University Club has been here since 1910. The culture of the Club may need to change with the times but the tradition and fellowship needs to carry on for future generations." — President Jack Salter, August 2002

Many Club Members have previously provided for the Club's future in their estate plans and their generosity has helped create the experience you've enjoyed here.

Please consider helping to strengthen the Club's future by securing a bequest invitation form from [Jerry Jacobson](#) at 542-773-2727.

The Board has regretfully accepted the resignations of Seasonal Member Noel Petrohelos and Business Member Lithia Motors Group.



Holiday Party December 14

***6:00 — 9:00
\$35 per person***

Join your friends for the Club's Annual Holiday Party on Thursday, December 14. The bar (serving special Holiday drinks and anything else you might like! will be open as will both the main floor and second floor dining rooms. **The Holiday Party will once again feature the Harry and David Dessert Room!**

Reservations must be made by Monday, December 11.

\$35 per person - Reserve now at [Holiday Party](#) or by calling Lori at the Club at 541-772-4707.



MEMBERSHIP

**Do You Know Someone
Who Would Like to Join
the Club?**

A Personal Membership
Application can be
downloaded at:

**[Personal Member
Application](#)**



Club Members enjoying Holiday cheer at last year's Party

The Club notes with sadness the passing of Surviving Spouse Member Barbara Walstrom and extends its condolences to her family.

Lunch and Learn - Jeri Reno

November 14

“Women’s Leadership in the Workplace”

This month’s Lunch & Learn for a program titled “Women’s Leadership in the Workplace” facilitated by Jeri Reno. Mrs. Reno has been in the banking industry for over 30 years working her way through the ranks and currently serves as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer at People’s Bank of Commerce. During her career she has learned valuable lessons and key traits necessary to become an effective leader and a part of an executive management team.



Come join us, or invite others whom you believe might be interested in hearing her valuable insights and to participate in what will most certainly be useful conversations! This event is open to the public and doesn’t require Club Membership.

Register by Monday, November 13 at [Lunch and Learn](#).

October’s *Lunch and Learn* with Steve Erb



Steve, from People’s Bank,
(center) speaking
to the group.

Thanks Steve!

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