



THE ROTARY CLUB *of* BELLINGHAM
BELLINGHAM'S FIRST ROTARY CLUB

TATTLE



Business Notes

Larry Ziels announced the meeting of the Major Projects Committee after today's Rotary meeting. He encouraged all members to bring forward a project for consideration for the 2010-2011 Rotary year. Applications from charitable organizations with 501 status will be considered as long as they are focused in Whatcom County, primarily close in Bellingham and favor capital investments, not operating funds. They must serve a broad spectrum of the community and should the need be great, we may form partnerships with other Rotary groups as in the past. The committee is hoping to have 6-8 projects submitted for approval.

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President Elson Floyd, WSU



President Floyd with Bob Gibb

WSU President Elson S. Floyd was introduced by Steve Adelstein. President Floyd spoke at length regarding the current state of University funding (or the lack thereof) and his commitment to focus efforts on strategic planning and consolidating of programs that make the most sense to the communities they serve. He encouraged us to consider all avenues of private gifting for our alma maters and the local higher education institutions. He posed that in this economic climate, private gifting can make the difference between mediocrity and excellence in our colleges and universities. He feels companies will follow the flow of intellectual capital, affecting the economic development of Washington State. He enumerated his commitment to WSU: Accountability, Excellence and Quality.

Barry Hanson

Unity Group

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Sage Management

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THIS WEEK'S TEAM:

Editor: Dale Rings

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GUESTS OF SPEAKER:

Dan Bernardo, Dean, College of Agriculture, Human and Natural Resources (CAHRNS), Washington State university

Jim Zuba, Director, WSU Alumni Association

Brandon Scheller, Communications Coordinator, WSU

GUESTS OF ROTARIANS

Paul Grey brought Henry Bierlink, Executive Director of Whatcom Farm Friends.

Joe Coons introduced former member, Brian Pemberton with NW Explorations

Visiting Rotarians, Vern Vanderbilt introduced his son, Burton Vanderbilt M.D.

Ken Marzocco brought his wife, Lilian

Cheryl Crazy Bull introduced Karyl Jefferson with Northwest Indian College

Teri Treat brought Patrick Collins with Sterling Health Care

Tim Farris introduced Debbie Ahl, former President of Sterling Health Care

Marty Haines

Sgt. at Arms: Megan Stanfield

Invocation: Paul Grey

Introduction of Visitors: Charlie Self

Greeter(s): Ben Kuiken

Raffle Tickets: Marty Haines

Music: Don Anderson

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4/19 Aaron Adelstein - Built Green

4/26 Representative Kelli Linville

5/3 Greg Lane TVW

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