



THE ROTARY CLUB *of* BELLINGHAM

BELLINGHAM'S FIRST ROTARY CLUB

TATTLER

April 27, 2009

GUESTS OF ROTARIANS

Bruce Clawson introduced guest
Max Kaiser of Hand Crank Films.

VISITING ROTARIANS

None

ATTENTION:

Northwood Hall will be closed Monday, May 4th for the first Bellingham Rotary "Rotation Day." In the original spirit of Rotary, on May 4th, approximately 102 Bellingham Rotary Members have signed up to enjoy lunch in 13 groups, each heading to a different Rotarian's work place in the Bellingham area. There, they will enjoy lunch, learn about the Host Rotarian's organization, and perhaps get to interact with fellow Rotarians on a different basis than usual. The lunch program is at the choosing of each Host, but will likely center on an introduction to the host member's organization. Each host will be taking normal Rotary attendance and collecting \$10 for the lunch.

The Rotation Day lunch meetings begin at 12 PM and end at 1:30 PM. The Host-Attendee list is included on page 3 and 4 of this issue of the Tattler. For questions concerning Rotation Day, please call Scott Renne at 360.961.1563, or Marty Haines at 360.676.1344.

DUE TO THE CHANGE IN MEETING FORMAT, THERE WILL BE NO TATTLER NEXT WEEK.

OPENING REMARKS

President Margaret opened the meeting, noting that Vic Tate greeted you and Arlan Norman sold raffle tickets. Don Anderson accompanied us in singing America the Beautiful, which was followed by the invocation delivered by Kay Sardo.

Brian Griffin delivered a brief memorial in honor of member, Hal Arnason. He described Hal as a "handsome, Icelander" who became a "favorite son" at Bellingham High School. Hal excelled in football, baseball, and basketball, going on to pitch for the Huskies while at the University of Washington. His ready smile and handshake helped anyone who came in contact with him feel comfortable, whether in his real estate business role or in his many community service roles (34 years on the Bellingham School Board, 30 years on St. Joseph Hospital's board and 20 years on the board of the Salvation Army). He was a Rotary Past President and set a very high bar for any Rotarian. Rather than a moment of silence, Brian suggested that we adopt Hal's affable manner of greeting everyone with a smile and a handshake.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- May 4: Rotation Day
- May 11: Cary Feldmann — PSE Status of Baker Lake Dam
- May 18: Roger Hunt — History of the Bellingham Golf & Country Club
- May 25: Holiday — Memorial Day

ROTARIAN BIRTHDAYS

- Craig Parkinson, April 28th
- Tim Fisher, May 2nd
- Tony Pechthalt, May 5th
- Karen Morse, May 8th

PARTNER BIRTHDAYS

- Jeanette Morse, May 1st
- Phyllis Self, April 30th
- Patricia MacCormack, May 1st
- Laurie Renne, May 2nd
- Irene Sytsma, May 7th
- Karen Morse, May 8th
- Margie Goetz, May 9th

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

- Brad Burdick, April 27th
11 Years
- Fred Sexton, April 29th
13 Years
- Julie Foster, April 30th
8 Years
- Chuck Beard, May 1st
47 Years
- Dave Bradley, May 1st
19 Years
- Dan Cheney, May 1st
28 Years
- Curt Cortelyou, May 1st
34 Years
- Dewey Desler, May 1st
22 Years
- Chuck Snyder, May 9th
15 Years
- Glen Nardi, May 10th
3 Years

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HAPPY BUCKS / FINES & RECOGNITION

Gary Nelson gave \$10 for the 100 pounds of salmon he (30) his nephew (70) caught.

David Blair offered \$100 if (and only if) Gary gives him the GPS coordinates of the fishing hole.

Paul Grey gave happy bucks after attending the funeral service for his 105 year old grandmother.

Dick Tucker gave \$20 after enjoying the last ski weekend at Mount Baker Ski Area.

Nancy Steiger gave happy bucks for St. Joseph Hospital winning two awards in Hospital Satisfaction and Hospital Quality.

Stephanie Bowers gave happy bucks for the success of the Seattle Business Forum and for the \$100,000 it raised for WWU scholarships.

Vic Tate gave \$5 for being carded in an airport restaurant after ordering wine.

Sergeant at Arms Chuck Beard fined Tony Pechthalt \$10 for his 100 to 150 pens being left about advertising his business.

BUSINESS NOTES

Roster Updates: Please contact Sandee at rcob@comcast.net if you have any changes for the Roster for the next rotary year.

Rotary Club of Bellingham Major Awards Written nominations are being accepted for the Rotary Club of Bellingham Major Awards thru April 30th by the Executive Committee comprised of Dave Blair, Immediate Past President; Margaret Curtis, President; Jim Visbeek, President-Elect; Kathy Hughes, Vice President. The awards will be distributed June 29, 2009 at our changing of the guard.

The awards criteria and lists of previous recipients can be found on page 23-24 of the large roster and also on the club website at www.bellinghamrotary.org under "Members" and "Major Awards Criteria and Recipients". The awards are not a popularity vote, but to acknowledge long-term service of our members. A \$1,000 donation is made to the RCOB Foundation in each recipient's name.

The awards are: The Will J. Griswold Club Service Award
The David C. Morse Sr. Community Service Award
The Michael K. Mischaikow International Service Award
The Karen W. Morse Vocational Service Award

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Margaret thanked Jack Mulhern for his recent help in repairing our badge box.

The Group Study Exchange trip to India will be in December 2009 for four to six weeks.

The district 5050 Conference will be held May 28-31, 2009, called, "The Conference in the Country," and will be in Chilliwack, B.C.

PRESENTATIONS

New member Nancy Jordan was inducted with the classification of "Community-Economic Development Council," and introduced to the Club by Bruce MacCormack and Tom Eckert. She was proposed by Peggy Zoro and Ray Tryzynka who were unable to attend at the last minute.

Nancy brings a background in commercial finance, community and economic development, small business ownership, and farm and forest production to her work with the Northwest Economic Council-Whatcom County. She earned her B.S. degree in Animal Science/Business from Oregon State University. Nancy is co-owner, with her husband Travis, of Sound Wise Studios, a film/video production company located in Bellingham.

In addition to her business background, Nancy has been active with non-profit organizations in economic development in both Skagit and Whatcom counties.

Past President Dave Blair gave her the charge of membership.

PROGRAM NOTES

Dale Rings introduced New Member talks from Jim Blackburn, Sandy McIntire, and Arlan Norman.



Dave Blair, Nancy Jordan

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Jim Blackburn said Dale would only give him five minutes for his talk – hard for a southerner to say hello in five minutes! After training as a Special Warfare officer in the Navy, Jim had to change plans due to a leg injury. The motto that applies to his eventual work as a plastic surgeon was the same used in “special warfare” - get in and out without anyone knowing you were there and leave things better for your having been there.



Sandy McIntire, Arlan Norman, Jim Blackburn

Sandy McIntire retired to Bellingham from his job in marketing and general management in Moscow, Russia. Highlights of his earlier life include a degree in History at Principia College, four months on a Triumph 650 touring Europe at the age of 20, being a ski bum in Jackson Hole, being a soccer player and fan, three years in the Marine Corps followed by the reserves, and a masters degree that led him to a variety of postings with businesses overseas (London, Seoul, Taiwan, Tokyo and the Soviet Union.) Highlights of his current life in Bellingham are Seattle Sounder Soccer games, upcoming kayak lessons and his involvement with Bellingham Festival of Music. He noted that the festival recently won a \$10,000 NEA grant.

Arlan Norman came to Bellingham from the small town of Minot, North Dakota. He graduated at the top of his high school class (of 12 students!) and engaged in early (unsuccessful) entrepreneurial activities. Attending the University of North Dakota as an engineering student, he became interested in chemistry (and hockey!). He earned a doctorate in organic chemistry at the University of Indiana, taught at the University of California, Berkeley in the memorable late 1960's, and then served as professor and administrator at the University of Colorado in Boulder for 30 years. He only left Boulder because of the great opportunity to serve as the founding Dean of the College of Sciences and Technology at Western. He has a daughter who went to Berkeley and a son who went to West Point, which makes for interesting conversations during family get-togethers.

The meeting adjourned a little early, so President Margaret advised everyone to use those few minutes in the beautiful sunshine.

Chuck called on Al Williamson for an update on his prune juice intake, after which Al replied, “What?”

Chuck then challenged members at several tables to answer questions like:

When was RCOB chartered (1917)? How many charter members were there (31)? How many charter member families are represented by RCOB members, today (3 – Beard, Diehl, and the Morse “clan”)? Who was RCOB’s first female member (Ann Jones Richardson)? All at the particular table called on to answer the question were fined \$2 each if they couldn’t come up with the right answer. Chuck raised lots of money.

May 4th, 2009 Rotation Day Lunch Destinations (continued on page 4)

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