



**GUESTS OF ROTARIANS**

**Paul Grey** introduced Cheryl Deltaan with Farm Friends

**Earl Settlemeyer** brought Tom Eckert with Bellingham Technical College

**Aaron Booker** introduced Kathi Hiyane-Brown with Whatcom Community College

**Margaret Curtis** brought Dominique Zervas with Langabeer Tull

**Julie Shirley** introduced Mary Evitt, Editor of the Whatcom Business Magazine

**Mike Bradburn** brought Diane Bruland, Patient Service Representative with Hospice

**VISITING ROTARIANS**

**John Sleeth and Mike Kirkland** Bellingham Bay Rotary Club

**Lex Ludtke** Whatcom North Rotary Club

**Dale Vander Giessen and Ed Polf** Mt. Baker Rotary Club

**OPENING REMARKS**

President Dave opened the meeting by announcing that our invocation would be delivered by Rod Elin, Fahri Ugurlu would introduce visiting Rotarians, Susan Zoller would be our photographer, Earl Settlemeyer had been our Greeter, and Glen Nardi conducted the day's "gambling operation" (raffle tickets). Don Anderson accompanied members in singing the Star Spangled Banner.

**BUSINESS NOTES**

President Dave announced there will be a New Member Breakfast next Monday, October 29th at Boss Tweeds. This is also an opportunity for a make up meeting.

There will be an Information/Orientation Committee next Monday, October 29th after the noon meeting.

President Dave recognized Peg Larson and Doug Cole for organizing last Friday evening's "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner," and the gracious hosts, Tony Pechthalt and Joe Coons.

President Dave informed members of the upcoming elections and invited their input through the Nomination Committee, which includes Tim Farris, Teri Treat, Rob Westford, and Dave Blair.

Rob Westford made an announcement regarding the Make a Difference Day work project. Rotarians and others will work on the barn at Woodstock Farm on Saturday, October 27.

Brian Griffin reminded all those present that November 1, at 5:30 pm, there will be a Fundraiser for the YWCA at the Market Depot. Brian has authored a book describing the roles the YWCA and Rotary played in developing Boulevard Park, which will be released and for sale at the event. Profits from the book sale will be donated to the YWCA.

Doug Cole offered an invitation to active pilots in the club to join him and others for a "hangar talk" evening sometime next month. If you are interested, please contact Doug for further information.

**UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

**October 29**  
Paul Grey & Cheryl DeHann - The State of Agriculture in Whatcom County

**November 5**  
New Member Talks

**November 12**  
NO MEETING - Veterans Day

**November 19**  
David Sattler of WWU - Economic and Human Effects of a Tsunami

**November 26**  
Bob Mooers - Waterfalls of Whatcom County

**December 3**  
Roland Trenouth - What is going on with our health care system

**December 10**  
TBD

**December 17**  
Christmas Program - TBD

**December 24**  
NO MEETING

**December 31**  
NO MEETING

**ROTARIAN BIRTHDAYS**

**Dennis Murphy**, October 23rd

**Kevin Allen**, October 26th

**Harold Heiner**, October 27th

**Scott Walker**, October 28th

**PARTNER BIRTHDAYS**

**Sharie Burdick**, October 22nd

**CLUB ANNIVERSARIES**

None

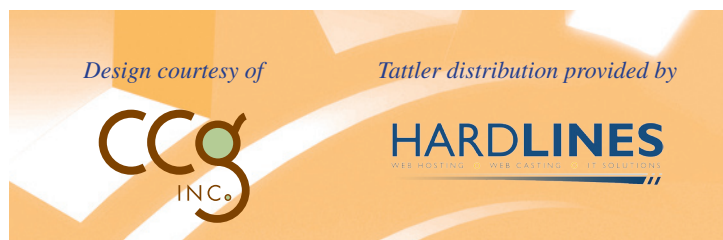
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## HAPPY BUCKS

Margaret Curtis gave \$5 to have the aforementioned new county executive candidate off of her case, whatever that means.

J.C. Hickman was \$35 happy to recognize this number of years married, "to his present wife." Turns out she's also his only wife.

Tom Grinstad offered \$5 in appreciation for Joe and Judy Coons hospitality in hosting one of the "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" sites. They accommodated a total of twelve in a last minute change of venue.

Rod Elin also wanted to recognize the Coons, but he was only a couple bucks happy.

Joe Coons then commented that he was stunned at the small number of Rotarians that took advantage of this wonderful social opportunity. He gave \$5 as an advance reminder to all that when the Social Committee plans another of these events, it is a great way to get to know members and spouses in a relaxed, enjoyable social setting--so sign up!

## PRESENTATION

Mike Bradburn opened a presentation on Hospice House, the major fund raising project for this Rotary year. A very moving and professionally prepared video was shown, which featured a variety of caregivers and those whose lives have been touched by Hospice. This presentation will be followed by several others at succeeding meetings.

## FOOTBALL POOL

Chuck Beard announced the winners of the football pool, who were Susie Thomson-Sines, Fred Ossewarde, and Bob Morse, who won both the third and fourth quarters. He was reminded that he's now pulled more money out of the pool than he's put in, perhaps a not so gentle Happy Bucks suggestion.

## FINES & RECOGNITION

Cleary Cone announced that this is "Love a Lawyer Month" (yeah, right) and asked all present or former lawyers to stand. He then fined everyone else a buck. We always wondered how they made their money.

Cleary opined that Pete Kremen is fighting for his political life, but thought that Sandee should pony up five bucks for her letter to the editor supporting him. Cleary also made some very slanted comments about a new candidate in the race, but as Rotary is supposedly a non-political organization, a "no comment" is probably appropriate for this Tattler report.

Ron Jepson also got clipped for a fiver for his debonair photo in the Whatcom Magazine.

Brian Griffin was fined for the shameless promotion of his book, which will sell for \$24.95. Guess what the fine was.

## PROGRAM

Program Chair, Jim Visbeek, opened the meeting by saying that we had not one, but two programs for the day. Paul Grey will delay his Friends of Agriculture in Whatcom County program until an upcoming meeting.

Jim then introduced Ed Mattson, who is Board Chair of the Rotarian Cancer Survivor Group, President of the Linda Mattson Cancer Foundation, Ambassador at Large for Hands Across the Sea Program, a published author, and a medical research specialist. His program was entitled, "Rotary on an International Level."

Mr. Mattson has been involved in many medical care projects involving international Rotary Clubs. His presentation showed the dramatic differences in the quality of health care with which we are familiar, and that which is available in second and third world countries. His experiences have made him a strong proponent of the U.S. health care system, even though it has many flaws. It was interesting to note that U.S. National Guard troops are stationed in many of these areas and have joined forces with local Rotary Clubs in working on projects to improve care delivery.

# HAPPY BUCKS

One way Rotary has helped with medical projects has been to gather out-dated, but serviceable medical supplies and equipment and ship them to these underserved areas. This also applies to drugs that the U.S. considers out-dated, but are still safe and effective.

As a medical researcher, Mr. Mattson has become an avid supporter of stem cell use in curing some diseases. Although this is a controversial issue, he showed a number of examples of how the use of stem cells has cured, or kept in remission, diseases of selected children.



Speaker Ed Mattson with Rotarians

Larry Ziels was \$30 happy for a two-week vacation he spent in Florida with family. It included a trip to Disney World with some of his grandchildren. Amazing he had any money left!

President Dave wrapped up this portion of the meeting by asking all who can play the piano (he didn't ask who could play well) to stand, which resulted in five members getting on their feet. He did not levy a fine, but asked them to consider providing a little relief to Don Anderson on occasion. He reminded them that they didn't need a large repertoire, just three numbers, which he thought they could handle.

## FOOTBALL POOL

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2	Bob Boule	Irwin LeCocq	Shannon Terrell	Jan Marchbanks	Ralph Rinne	Jeff Jenkins	Brad Burdick	Al & Fred Inc.	Kay Sardo	Fred Sexton
1	Mike Plenkovich	Fred "O"	Jim Caldwell	Ken Marzocco	Chuck Snyder	Daver Morse	Dale Kinsley	Don Haggen	Cleary Cone	Dean Shintaffer
9	Susan Edgar	David Blair	Kathy Hughes	Steve Adelstein	Dewey Desler	Susie Thomson-Sines	Tony Pechthalt	Mary Pat Beard	Sandee & Dick	Pete Foti
7	Laury Evans	Dan Cheney	Gary Nelson	Bruce Mac Cormack	Fred "O"	Wayne Langei	Virginia Barry (JM)	Chuck Farrell	Rick Haggen	Dana Kuiken
0	Bob Miller	Bud Peth	Mike Bradburn	Ben Kuiken	Joe Coons	Pat Foley	Rick Wright	Terry Busch	Don Anderson	Susan Zoller
8	Fred Kaiser	Sylvia Haggren	John Griggs	Chuck Beard	Bob Morse	J.C. Hickman	Jack Westford	Matt Hammatt	Gragg Miller	Larry Halgren
5	Kathy Haggren	Paul Landgren	Cathy Buckley	Marty Haines	Larry Ziels	Roland Trenouth	Rod Elin	Cooper Treat	Jeff Haggen	Irwin LeCocq
6	John Raasch	Tim Fisher	Jack Mulhern	Jim Wilson	David Bradley	Drew Schmidt	Bob Gibb	Tom Grinstad	Bob Nicholl	Gregor Hodgson
3	Ed Lowery	Shannon Rohrbach	Teri Treat	Dick Tucker	Rogan Jones	Al Marsh	Liz Balas	Margaret Curtis	Mary Robinson	Barry Hanson
4	Tim Farris	Bob Boule	Vic Tate	Andrew Evans	Ann Jones	Jim Visbeek	Jon Sitkin	Judy Coons	Earl Settlemyer	Phil Millard SF

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