



GUESTS OF ROTARIANS

Parents, Students of the Month:

Robert Campbell, parent of Sehome Student, Derek Campbell; Sue Ihlan, parent of Squalicum Student, Chris Ihlan; and family friend Sandy Hughes

VISITING ROTARIANS

Chuck Olson

Bellingham Bay Rotary Club

Dick Nolan

Whatcom North Rotary Club

Liz Balas

Sunrise Rotary Club

OPENING REMARKS

President Tim opened the meeting of this Thanksgiving Day week by noting that Thanksgiving, like Rotary, is a time to celebrate our generosity with family and friends. He encouraged us to be generous in our work, deeds and contributions.

Speaking of contributions, Don Anderson accompanied us on the piano as we sang America the Beautiful and then gave the invocation reminding us that although many of us recently suffered inconvenience when our electricity was interrupted for 12-15 hours, this gave us insight into what life is like for many less fortunate than ourselves. Through Rotary we can give to local and international charitable organizations to help those in need because it is through our giving that we receive.

Jim Vos introduced visiting Rotarians.

BUSINESS NOTES

President Tim announced that our fundraising campaign for the YWCA is in full swing. Beginning this week, many of us will be receiving telephone calls from our volunteer fundraisers. He thanked members who have volunteered their time to the project. To reach our goal of \$100,000, each member is requested to contribute between \$600 and \$1,100. Some members will be asked to give more and if you are able to do so, please do. If some need to do less, all Rotary asks is to do our best, and the hope is that we will have participation from 100% of the members.

RCOB Member and YWCA Trustee Mary Robinson expressed her gratitude in selecting the YWCA for this year's major project. Mary has for years been a strong supporter of YWCA, having been active in this organization from Beirut to Bellingham. The YWCA provides women with leadership training and education and helps those whose lives are in transition. The YWCA is a great organization and is grateful for our help.

New Member Breakfast - President Tim announced that a New Member Breakfast will be held on Monday, November 27, at 7:00 a.m. at Boss Tweed's Restaurant. He strongly encouraged new members to attend.



Mary Robinson speaks about YWCA

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- November 27**
Dale Rings – Academy for Life Long Learning
- December 4**
Rotary Table Talks
- December 11**
Sean Hogan – RYLA Presentation
- December 18**
Holiday Program – Sehome HS Chamber Choir
- December 25**
Christmas Day – No Meeting
- January 1**
New Years Day – No Meeting
- January 15**
Martin Luther King Day – No Meeting

ROTARIAN BIRTHDAYS

None

PARTNER BIRTHDAYS

Doug Bianchi, November 21st

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

- Mike Diehl, November 24th
3 Years
- Erick Laine, November 24th
3 Years
- Joost Knops, November 25th
10 Years

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HAPPY BUCKS RECOGNITION FINES

No fine was assessed against Tom Livesay who is leaving the second or third week of January for Louisiana. Tom has been a great asset to our community and to the museum and we are sorry to see him leave. He voluntarily donated \$100 to express appreciation for the very fine experiences he has had and the friendships he has made while here in Bellingham.

Irwin LeCocq was fined \$20 but donated \$40 for a recent write up stating that People's Bank had \$770,000,000 in assets. Irwin said that was a low number.

Visiting Rotarian Chuck Olson was fined \$10 for no apparent reason.

Bell-ringing scheduled for Saturday, December 16 - Once again, members of the Rotary Club of Bellingham will be ringing bells for the Salvation Army. Members who are interested and able to volunteer for this activity may contact Cleary Cone or sign-up on the sheets on the tables at the meeting.

Football Pool - Chuck Beard announced this week's football pool winners: David Blair, Kay Sardo (for the 3rd time), Bob Morse (for the 3rd time), and Tom Grinstad (also for the 3rd time). Hmm, maybe they should consider taking a trip to Las Vegas.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Immediate Past President and current Nominating Committee Chair Jim Cunningham announced this year's Nominating Committee slate for election of officers and directors as follows:

President - David Blair

President Elect - Margaret Curtis

VP & Program Chair - Jim Visbeek

Treasurer - Steve Hoekstra

Director Nominees (2 will be elected)

Steven Adelstein

Maureen Enegren

Dale Kinsley

John Macpherson

Elections will be held December 11, 2006.

PRESENTATIONS

Bob Sytsma introduced three math students of the month. Notably, on Monday, November 13, 2006, Governor Christine Gregoire unveiled the new "Washington Learns" Program in which her task force identified that on an overall basis our Washington students were weak in Math and Science. Not these students though. Notwithstanding the Governor's remarks, the following students of the month represent the highest of academic and personal achievements for which they, their parents, their schools and their community can be very, very proud:



Math Students of the Month

Chris Ihlan, Squalicum High School - Chris is a 4.0 GPA student taking the most difficult of courses including AP Language and Composition, AP Literature and Composition, AP Physics, AP U.S. History, AP World History, AP Calculus, Honors Biology, Honors Chemistry, Honors Physics and 4 years of French. In addition, he is Captain of Varsity Tennis, on the Debate Team, a National Merit Commended Scholar and a member of the Math Team. When not in school, he has participated in Make a Difference Day, volunteered at community agencies such as daycares, volunteered with Parks and Recreation and recently participated in a three-week culture exchange trip to France where he was very grateful for the friendships that he gained.

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Tristan Weiss, Bellingham High School - Tristan is an Honor Student taking Honors Biology, Honors Chemistry, AP Government, AP Physics, and AP Calculus. He was the Student of the Semester in World History and Student of the Month in Mathematics and is found in Who's Who among American Students. When not studying, he is a member of the Environmental Club and has volunteered in community service including tree planting and restoration during Make a Difference Day. In addition to his studies, he enjoys the guitar, ultimate Frisbee, snowboarding, music, computers, swimming, running, writing, traveling, and kickboxing. He participates in recycling old computers so that the heavy metals in them do not find their way back into our environment.

Derek Campbell, Sehome High School - Derek has a 3.99 GPA and has had mathematics as the focus of his academic career since middle school. He has been a leader in the classroom, helping other students to further their own mathematical abilities while always pushing himself to learn more. He finished his high school's math curriculum as a Junior learning topics beyond the scope of his class. This year Derek is a tutor for Calculus classes at Sehome and is studying mathematics independently in preparation for college. He has participated and continues to participate in the Math Olympiad. When not studying, he participates in the Sehome Orchestra and wants to be a teacher.

PROGRAM

Margaret Curtis introduced Arlan Norman and Mike Naylor, Western Washington University Professors known as the Wizards of Western.

Professor Norman introduced the new College of Sciences and Technology Program consisting of two parts: (1) Science and the University and (2) Wizards at Western. Science and the University will present programs on the post-petroleum energy future on February 6, 2007 and How Changing Biodiversity Affects You on April 19, 2007.

The presentation primarily focused on Wizards at Western in which Western will provide three 1-hour programs to students in grades 5 to 9 and their parents in order to excite them about math and science. On December 2, the presentation will include the Math of Juggling which was presented to us by Professor Naylor. Professor Naylor who holds a MS and PhD Degrees in Math and who is a WWU faculty member also has a Masters of Fun Arts Degree from Ringling Brothers after which time he spent a year as a circus clown. He likes to say that he ran away from the circus to join the university.

Professor Naylor showed us various juggling patterns and how they are related to mathematics. The hoped for result is that students will become more interested in math and science which is necessary for most careers.

Other programs for students may include Counting with Zeros and Ones, The Magic of Polymers, Light and Lighting, Life Cycle of Stars, and The Physics of Sport. The programs are intended to be entertaining and educational and the one presented to us certainly was.

Following a question and answer period and this week's raffle, the meeting was adjourned.



The "Wizards of Western"

Brian Griffin was fined \$20 for trying to bring back the shaggy look and allegedly saving money for failing to get a haircut.

Margaret Curtis donated \$30 for her wedding anniversary.

Harold Heiner donated \$20 for Whatcom Community College's recent soccer championship.

Paul Grey also made a \$5 "sad" donation for Michigan's loss to Ohio State.

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