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High fives got the Spooktacular meeting going. Mahatma, clad as a Roman legionnaire was doing his thing as usual. Others who read his email and also came in costume were Ivan Christiansen as a cowpoke, Bealinda Brady-Tidd as the Not So Wicked Witch of the West, Steve Tidd as a platypus, Kevin Dresker as a Chippendale, John White as The Great Pumpkin, and Bryan Campbell as Lloyd Christmas in *Dumb & Dumber*. Sadly, Gordi

Northrup didn't show up in his birthday suit...in fact, he didn't show up at all.

In what had to have been an all-time first in the world of Rotary, Steve Tidd took
WN members on a guided tour of this month's *Rotarian* magazine dressed as a
platypus, mascot of the defunct Wenatchee Venom indoor football franchise. Sweating profusely, Tidd put Rick Steves to shame by demonstrating the ins and outs of
navigating through the pages of the periodical.

Rich Adams, representing the membership committee, announced a new policy rewarding the invitation of a prospective member - not only will the guest's lunch be paid for by the club, but if the visit results in a membership, the sponsor will receive \$100 toward a Paul Harris Fellowship. Adams emphasized the importance of inviting quests and that the club has been remiss for quite some time.



FICAL GACSAL'S GLOST by Perry White, editor in chief

A tip was received at the *Poll* indicating an important Wenatchee North Rotary Board of Directors meeting was to be held at high noon on October 31. The unnamed source claimed Mahatma had

openly stated that several timely issues would be addressed during the session. It was also purportedly mentioned that he'd pick up the tab for lunch at Cafe AZ's and invited attendance. Always ready to distort all of the news some of the time, a crack investigative reporter was dispatched to get the scoop...not to mention free chow.

Arriving fashionably late at ten past twelve, the meeting venue was vacant except for a pair of tables surrounded by chatting ladies. The reporter inquired about where on earth, or at least in AZ's, the group of Wenatchee North Rotarians were seated for an all important confab. One of the aforementioned ladies responded, barely breaking rhythm of spooning soup dujour into her mouth, "Funny, you're the second person...slurp...to ask that question. Slurp. Maybe the meeting was cancelled because its...slurp...Halloween." Another lady added, "I think you've been tricked...slurp...me pretty." Unkind cackles were uttered throughout the clutch. Our crack reporter surmised they were all high on very green tea and, perhaps, toadstools or eyes of newts.

The reporter was hungry to get to the bottom of the apparent debacle...and just plain hungry, too. Indeed, it was noon, the place was right, and everyone seemed to be high. So, where were those confounded decision makers? Obviously, Wenatchee North Rotary's version of Congress had decided to kick the can down the road, unwilling to make decisions, instead uncharacteristically opting out of a free lunch. Something smelled mighty foul, and it wasn't the newt chowder. Our crack reporter vowed not to leave any stone unturned until those responsible for dodging the basic duties of governing are revealed and duly pilloried by the press.

If anything is sacred in the realm of communications, it's the absolute necessity of meeting deadlines. As stated in the guideline for Poll editors of the week, "The DEADLINE is no later than 3:00 p.m. of the Thursday following the meeting (if possible by Wednesday evening so it is available to format on Thursday morning)." Since the editor-inchief is going over the mountains and won't return until Tuesday due to birthday celebrations, the lack of

content by deadline forced taking matters into his own hands for the 169th and final time. Unfortunately, not following through on good intentions often has unintended bad consequences. No one's time is more important than anyone else's at WNRotary...it deserves to be respected.

## **TID**DBITS

- There's something quite compelling when Bealinda Brady-Tidd pushes Christmas Wreaths, while in witch's garb, for her Follies Guild, with prices ranging from \$9 to \$25. She also said that Joy Brown is hawking them. Get your order in by November 4...she'll personally deliver
- The monthly board of directors meeting, scheduled for October 31, will evidently be rescheduled, or perhaps, skipped altogether,

despite the announcement that there were some pressing issues to be addressed.

- Jim Haglund is off to scuba in Bonaire for two weeks. The island is only 17 miles around, which begs the question, what the hey do you do for fourteen days during the rainy season except eat, sleep and dive?
- Happy birthday, Gord-Ho.
- 'Honest?' Sox owner Jim Corcoran drew his own ticket in the Half Potted Drawing for \$35.

## The RINO Homecoming King is dead!

The Homecoming King is dead...long live the king! So it went when the announcement was made that too long ruling Rob Tidd had been supplanted. Kevin Vitulli assumed the throne with a 17-1 record. Beheaded, our Mahatma tumbled into a tie with Ryan O'Ralphie a game back along with Bruce Law and Jim Haglund at 16-2 in the struggle to dictate over the RINO Bowl.

By virtue of his ascension, Vitulli would have received \$100 from rank and file plebians if only he had been at the weekly meeting.

Tidd's two game lead vanished in the MASTERS as Haglund was boosted into a tie at the top at 25-5. In close pursuit, Bob Bullis and Joe Gaspers lurked a game back at 24-6.

RINO Bowl results were Montana 37, Eastern Washington 42; U. Chicago 6, Pacific 21; and in three OTs, Harvard 48, Princeton 51. As Joey the Geek noted, the Rams lost to the "Sealuckies", 9-14, in MASTERS action.

On the RINO slate for this week are Rich Adams' San Jose St. at Ryan O'Ralphie's UNLV, Jim Mills and Bud Truswell's Puget Sound at Earl Tilly's Pacific Lutheran, and Humboldt St. at Greg Brown, the Bessonettes, and Bob Mitchell's Central Washington. Upcoming games in the MASTERS are Buccaneers at Seahawks and Bears at Packers.



Porth Poll editor for Nov. 6th is Kevin Vitulli