WENATCHEE NORTH ROTARY

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Featured on today's menu... Candidate shadow boxing

The third of three city candidate "debates" was conducted for Council Position #6. Since one candidate was rumored to have dropped out of the race, and the other was a no-show,

Linda Herald certainly delivered 'knockouts' in what turned out to be an exhibition of shadow boxing. As would be expected, she was questioned about the TTC situation and stated being against the concept of defaulting. Although hesitant to endorse taxing measures, Herald encouraged bolstering tourism as a way to increase revenue. She also believes that citizens of this area should understand the value of shopping locally, of buying automobiles and other items, that may well be available elsewhere, in our area where those sales create tax revenue, jobs and the money is recycled. She's not in favor of decreasing essential services, but still thinks some 'fat' remains in the budget that might be trimmed. In favor of red light cameras for safety and revenue reasons. Herald said that it shouldn't be a problem as long as you don't break the law by running red lights. She believes her years of experience in the tourism industry, business background as well as a substantial amount of community service will be assets to the city council and the citizens of Wenatchee.

President Ellis announced that our District 5060 Governor Garry Hollingshead wants to focus on increasing funding by clubs to the Rotary Foundation with each Rotarian giving up a "fancy coffee drink" each week and, instead, donating that amount.

Once again, the dog days of summer plagued attendance at the meeting with only 21 present including three guests. Indeed, nice weather has finally bloomed in the valley, golfing has taken a bite and vacations are in full swing as usual. However, we hope that those of you who have been remiss about making it to Wednesday meetings at WVC this summer will take the time to 'pop' in soon. Calls may well be forthcoming to members who have become chronic in their absences along with ignominious attention here in the *North Poll*.



• No, Phil Johnson didn't get bucked off his rocking horse a few weeks back. His arm was in a sling due to rotator cuff surgery. No big deal, say some, the former Wenatchee North RINOS third sacker had a 'noodle arm' anyway.

• Pats on the back are deserved for Ann Gaspers and Sandy Northrup as they celebrate 48th and 47th wedding anniversaries with Joe and Gordi, respectively - *living proof that patience is a virtue, especially with the likes of those 'boys'.*

• Greeters for next week are the two Joes - Gaspers and Gamboni.



As announced a week ago, membership chairman Joe 'The Great' Gamboni has introduced a crucial five-month membership drive with a request that each Wenatchee North member write a check for \$100 to be held, undeposited, until December 29. The check will be returned when a prospective member is escorted to a WNR meeting. Please give checks to treasurer Martin Barron by August 17.

Actual recruiting will begin when membership brochures and packets are handed out later in August.

When talking to a prospect about Rotary, the following is a quick definition from various sources including *The Rotarian* magazine -

Rotary is the world's largest nonpolitical, nonsecular organization dedicated to global peace and understanding. In 107 years, it has developed into a grassroots organization with worldwide impact including 1.2 million members in more than 200 countries and geographic areas. The primary focus is to work towards improving lives by addressing problems of health and disease, illiteracy and access to education, hunger, poverty, lack of clean water and environmental concerns locally, nationally and internationally.

Start thinking about an acquaintance or two who would make "g-rr-r-eat" Wenatchee North Rotarians.

Kickoff time again... RINO BOWI XXIV

The kickoff for the 24th RINO Bowl began with the distribution of forms. The long-running 'mini-fundraiser' for



college scholarships donated by Wenatchee North Rotary entails picking the *losers* of 30 football games including one or more schools to which club members and participants have ties.

Over the years, the RINO Bowl has generated \$36,964, after prizes have been awarded, for scholarships. Once again, the competition is two-fold with college games at \$63 per entry, and the optional Masters NFL games for an additional \$33.

To avoid RINO Trivia, entries need to be in by September 1. As is customary, the spirited competition will culminate at the Christmas party in December. Joe Gaspers and Jeff Mertes are in charge.

