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Featured on today's menu... Where will we go. Joe DiMaggio?

The restaurant was opened al fresco by President Alice at that exceptional facility known as Rotary

Park. The venue change was necessary due to construction in Wenatchee Valley College's Van Tassel Hall where WNR's normal meeting place is located. Which brought us to the subject of whether or not to continue at WVC because we've recently been notified that at least once a month (twice in October) the club will have to gather at a different location - which isn't acceptable. After discussing the problem, a vote was taken and the decision made to return to the Red Lion (next week we'll still meet at WVC)...but keep your eyes peeled for a better venue.

Randy Zielinski announced that Phil Johnson just purchased his fifth \$100 Rotary Park tile. He encouraged all WNRotarians to purchase a tile in this final push to complete the park fundraiser.

Rob Tidd, the Wenatchee North front man for Polio Eradication Day in downtown Wenatchee, scheduled for October 24th, announced that event T-shirts will soon be available at \$10 each with proceeds going to Polio-Plus. Rob is also chairman of WNR's Ways & Means committee, and is looking for creative ways to raise money for club coffers. If you have an idea, be sure to let him know about it.

RINO Bowl week #3

Despite making his selections almost two months before anyone else, Ryan O'Ralphie continued at the top of the RINO Bowl pack with a perfect 7-0 record. The gaggle tied with unblemished records was trimmed dramatically as 16 fell by the wayside to now number 9. Consequently, once again, no drawing was held. Last week's RINO Bowl results were: Colorado St. 14 Colorado 28; Washington 38 Nebraska 51 and E. Washington 14 Montana 17.

The RINO Masters, meanwhile, has become a four horse race with Kevin Spaeth, Bud Truswell, Roy Miller and Phil Johnson neck and neck with 9-1 records. The lone NFL game on the slate was Seahawks 0 Steelers 24. It would appear that a key to RINO Masters success may well be to have picked the *Seapigeons* to lose every game.

Shaunna Larson and Audrey Bessonette were stumped in RINO Trivia and forked over five bucks apiece...needless to say, they should have known a bit more about the circumstances of WNR's first female member!

Take part in the Four-F's of Rotary

Attending the District Rotary Training and Development in Penticton, BC on October 14 & 15 is a great way to experience the four 'F's' of Rotary, according to Past District Governor Jim Adamson, "Fabulous Fun, Fellowship and Fine wine."

The event provides the opportunity to participate in informative and entertaining sessions to help any member to become a more effective Rotarian, and each club to become more effective as well.

"There will be something for everyone," Adamson points out. "Come prepared to share your ideas, and to take home something you can immediately put to use in your club."

Clubs are encouraged by the District to pay registration fees for members to attend, so check with President Ellis to see if you can take advantage.

The registration form, agenda and lodging information are available at www.rotary5060.org.

From Wenatchee North's history...

When the Pied Piper attracted the BBC

Normally, Wenatchee North Rotary goes about its business far from media's glare. But, in 1994 WNR was suddenly thrust into the international news spotlight when a BBC camera crew came to a meeting.

The object of their focus wasn't Rotary, the Brits showed up to film "The Pied Piper of Prozac," psychologist Jim Goodwin, who happened to be a Wenatchee North member. Also dubbed "Doctor Feelgood" by the media, he became 'newsworthy' by questioning the

very foundation of psychological care by advocating the use of Prozac as an essential tool when treating clinical depression. Jim was interviewed on all major national newscasts as well as Oprah, Good Morning America and The Today Show, among others.

Bright lights flashed on during segments of the meeting, nearly blinding at times to Rotarians who were accustomed to the cavelike confines of the meeting room at the Chieftain.

Fellow WNRotarians knew Dr. Goodwin more for his Yiddish prayer, chairmanship of Wenatchee North's annual Salvation Army Christmas bellringing (even though he's Jewish, I might add), and Marine Corps "Hoo-rah," though. Incidentally, Jim holds a rather unique distinction of serving in the infantry as a Marine in Vietnam, returning to complete his college education, then re-upping to Vietnam as a psychologist in the Army.



 Leave it to finemeister Joe Gamboni to get Ivan 'Choo-Choo' Christensen to explain the nitty-gritty of how he'd been 'railridden hard and put away wet' by Burlington Northern-Santa Fe. His

case, the topic of two Wenatchee World exposés, Gamboni pointed-out, was fine material after Ivan gave his highly believable version of the confrontation. Let's just say, it couldn't have happened to a nicer guy, and leave it at that.

- Remember how District Governor Gary Hollingshead was AWOL for our August 31st meeting? Well, he's going to be in attendance on October 12, or so he savs.
- POSTING: Carlos Morillo has been proposed for membership by Earl Tilly.

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