

## WENATCHEE NORTH ROTARY September 5, 2013

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## BACKSIDE REVIEW

Prez Mahatma opened the meeting with the singing of song #3 and high fives. WVC Athletic Director Greg Franz introduced three returning outstanding sophomore female athletes who gave us a brief report on their future plans. Franz also reminded the club about the WVC golf tournament scheduled for Friday, Sept. 13 at the Highlander. Reservations can be made by contacting the WVC athletic office or just showing up at the course by 10:00 am on the 13th.

Mahatma reminded the 'overflowing' crowd about Wenatchee North's commitment to working the Wenatchee High School football concession stand on Friday, Oct. 4 (homecoming game) and announced that next Wednesday Bruce Law will be getting volunteers for the Adopt-A-Highway cleanup.

The club was also reminded to sign-up for your turn to crank out the North Poll or be banished to the back of the bus where you will be served leftover meatloaf from the previous Thursday's Kiwanis meeting. That leftover glob of meat will also come with a \$50 tab so sign-up with Coach Mertes NOW, or at next Wednesday's meeting. Trust that the meatloaf is going to be nasty.

The club was introduced to Aaron Bessonette, WNR's newest member and husband to Northerner Rotarian Audrey Bessonette. Aaron grew up with webbed feet in Aberdeen, WA and took his grappling skills to the windy city of Ellensburg in 1997 where he proudly wrestled for the CWU Wildcats. Earning his education degree, Aaron & new wife Audrey returned to his roots in Aberdeen where he spent the next two years teaching & coaching. Lured to the sunny side of the state by Cashmere native Audrey, Aaron took his coaching prowess to Cashmere High School where he has had great success as head wrestling coach and assistant baseball coach. A career change into the financial world has taken Aaron to Cashmere Valley Bank where he helps folks with their investment planning. Aaron and Audrey have two children, Ellie (7) and Ethan (4) which keep them running to youth events and activities. Aaron has jumped right into WNRotary committee involvement by signing on to be part of the Sports Awards and Rotary Park teams.

A club assembly was held and Prez Rob broke us into our committees where the members worked on 2013-14 club plans. Mahatma said we will be doing more committee work in the near future and thanked all for the positive effort.

## RINO BOWL Air Ball

Concern for Joey 'The Geek' Gaspers was expressed when he turned up missing. Ryan O'Ralphie feared that the stress of entering last minute entries may have been too much. We do know that the kickoff to the 26th RINO Bowl was a thunderous start as Jim 'Dr. Feelgood' Goodwin's Colorado Buffaloes hoofed it over Scott Doerr's cross-state (actually only about 15 miles apart) rival Colorado State Rams, 41-27. An estimated 95% of pickers correctly circled C. State to lose. Next week's gridiron action includes Joe Gaspers' Idaho Vandals vs Tracy Mertes' Wyoming Cowboys and Bob Bullis' Temple Owls vs the Houston Cougars. In the RINO Masters, the Seahawks take on the Carolina Panthers and the Packers vs 49ers.



- NEXT UP -

**The girls from My Little Pumpkin Patch**

**North Poll editor for Sept. 11th is Rob Tidd**

MILD-MANNERED REPORTER of the Week: *Jim Haglund*

## TIDDBITS



- There's a rumor going around, maybe started by me, that things are better when you're 64. At least grizzled me and Jim Mills hope so. Paul McCartney and Ringo, the last Beatles still standing, can't make the 9-11 meeting, but the rest of you be sure to wear your best singing shoes (Pub. note: Do shoes sing?).

- New WNRotarian Don 'Chumoholic' Talbot was overheard commenting on how good it was to see our members digging in and getting involved in committee work. That's the spirit, Don!

- Mahatma Rob couraged up to participate in another Mud Run last weekend. This time he returned with no visible bruising and minus the shades at the podium.

- Jim Haglund volunteered that he did not attend the season ending Wild party that appeared in the paper. He heard rumors local media had assigned crack reporters to get to the bottom of the situation.

- Bob Bullis was the big winner in the weekly club Half the Pot drawing for \$40. Will he apply it to the 50 he claims he'll be paying to duck the Poll?



## Haglund...a little short?

And so you have it. The first North Poll issue featuring a mild-mannered reporter of the week. As Haglund now knows, it takes quite a bit more content than initially imagined to fill this puppy up. Yes, he was a little short, but, all in all, it was a good, timely effort. Batting leadoff isn't ever easy because you never know exactly what kind of junk to expect. So, thanks for getting this off the ground before you're 64 and still worth squat dinkum! Hitting second will be that sultan of swatting flies, Mahatma himself.