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• If you read last Thursday's *Football Preview* edition in *The World*, you may have seen Randy Zielinski and Wenatchee North Rotary mentioned in the same article. Headlined, *Time to Rumble*, the piece concerned Cashmere's new grandstand, built by the Z-man's own Whitebird Construction, that came in under budget (imagine that). Also mentioned was WNR's Sports Awards Outlying Grant giving \$1,000 to the project that also included new light standards and upgrades. Incidentally, Cashmere Rotary chipped in \$27,000 to the effort.

• Prez Alice wants everyone to know that local Rotary clubs are planning **Polio Eradication Day** in October. He's looking for good participation by Wenatchee North members in the "Circle of Hope" planned for Centennial Park in downtown Wenatchee. Polio has touched a lot of lives, including Steve's own with an aunt who was stricken with the disease as a young girl.

• Having experienced the Palo Alto-Stanford environment firsthand, it's understandable why Jim and Nancy Mills enjoyed a Labor Day weekend visit. With son Kevin recently graduated after being president of his class at Stanford Law, and now working on a doctorate, and just married daughter Lisa up from southern California, the Mills clan attended the Stanford vs. San Jose St. football game as well as a jaunt through the Napa Valley. So, it all begs the question, can a onetime Logger turned Husky ever truly become a 'tree hugger'?

• In response to the promise of RINO Trivia at 5 bucks a whack as recompense for the club's loss of the \$100 stake put up by Mertes to stimulate out of club RINO Bowl entries, Rob Tidd wondered how he might prepare. Start by boning up on WNR history available on the Wenatchee North Rotary website and hope your name isn't drawn.



Featured on today's menu...

17% of kids 2-19 are obese

Dr. Joan Qazi, professor of geography at WVC, spoke about **Fresh Foods in Schools**. Her involvement came about after starting "EAT" which is Wenatchee's local food network (EAT is an acronym for Education Agriculture Together). The startling statistic that 17% of kids aged 2-19 are obese indicates that obesity in this group has tripled since 1980. The **Fresh Foods in Schools** program developed as a result with funding from the USDA Grant Program. One of its major goals is to increase dollars in school district budgets allocated for Washington grown produce. Currently, the Wenatchee School District serves about 6,000 meals per day during the school year. September 28 is **Taste Washington Day** with school districts featuring Washington grown produce on cafeteria menus. Included in their action plan are Harvest of the Month (features a different crop item each month), nutrition education, a wellness policy, Healthier U.S. Schools Challenge and October as being designated "National Farm to School Month." Among learning experiences for students are farm tours, chefs visiting schools and school gardens. Dr. Qazi indicated Rotary could become involved by financially supporting a school garden and even maintaining the "patch" during summer months.

RINO Bowl XXIV Leaders

The 24th season of RINO slobber knocking got off to a rip roaring start as 28 tied with Ryan O'Ralphie at 2-0 after Lafayette stumbled against North Dakota St., 6-42, and Colorado fell to Hawaii, 17-34.



RINO Challenge Scoreboard

The WNR Rinos were absolutely thrashed by Ryan O' in the **"35 against 1"** challenge, 9-4. Because of the lopsided nature of the score, that only required about 29% of the club soliciting one extra RINO Bowl entry in order to beat Ryan O', the treasury loses \$100 put up by Jeff Mertes. To make up the loss, those who didn't come through with an 'extra' may well be subject to answering a RINO Trivia question that any good WNRotarian should be able to handle without suffering a brain freeze.



The Bring 'em Home to Meet Momma Drive opens

"Full steam ahead" - open season has officially begun for member recruitment. If you haven't forked over an incentive check to Martin Barron or Joe Gamboni, make it out for \$110 and get it into their hands. It'll be returned when you bring a prospective member for a free lunch before Christmas.

Rotary Foundation reveal

What the heck is The Rotary Foundation? Anyone know? Well, now you will.

Randy Zielinski might say it's cement poured from a rotating truck mixer into forms and allowed to cure a spell.

Actually, The Foundation is a tax-exempt, nonprofit organization governed by a board of trustees independent of Rotary International's Board of Directors and serves as the funding mechanism for RI.

Among programs funded through the Rotary Foundation are: Polio-Plus (to eradicate polio), 3-H Grants (to enhance Health, reduce Hunger and promote Human development in the world), Matching Grants (to aid international service projects between clubs and districts), and Simplified Grants (to support short-term service and humanitarian projects of clubs and districts). The Foundation also funds Peace Fellowships for graduate study in peace and conflict resolution, Ambassadorial Scholarships for graduate or undergraduate study abroad, and Group Study Exchanges to send teams of young adult non-Rotarians on short term visits to a Rotary District in another country.

Since being established in 1947, The Rotary Foundation has awarded more than \$2 billion and ranks as one of the largest private charities in the world. It is also recognized as being among the best managed.

So, now you know in case a prospective member should ask.

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