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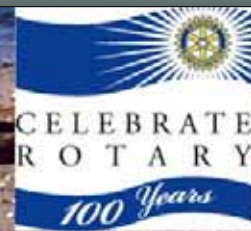
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"We add value to our community through service."



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Julie tires of introductions



PDG Senter works on epithet

## A GREAT PIECE OF WORK!

**P**at Dillon and Joe Gaffney gave us a sturdy handshake as we entered the Kingdom of His majesty, King James, AKA **KJ**, only to see that there has been a coup, and VP **Larry Byers** had taken over the throne. Right hand man VP Larry put down his guitar and led us in the pledge.

PDG **Don Senter** delivered the senior moment of the day...I mean, the "*Thought for the Day*". PDG Don suggested everyone consider writing their own epithet, a motivational epithet, one to aspire to, or try and live up to along the way. Otherwise, you might have to leave it up to others. Don's father said he "left the wood pile higher than he found it." I think most Rotarians have this same spirit, to leave things better off for others than we found things. Our guest speaker, Michael Reagan, put a different twist on it. He noted that if you live your life the way you want people to remember you by, it is likely that they will, regardless of the soubriquet carved on your headstone. For the record, attorney **Senter** says he wants it chiseled correctly: "A SINGLE MALT IS NOT ENOUGH!"

**Deb Wright** led us in a new song for many of us; **Michael Kight** was at our table blasting out a hardy rendition. No music accompaniment today, just good ol' voice boxes....Makes you really appreciate the 13th street band.

**Julie Willie** introduced visiting Rotarians: Ross Heller from Lakewood, Paul Blowers from Maryville-Noon,, Collette Reams, President from the Monroe club, and John Bosch from South Everett-Mukilteo Club and the Area H Assistant District Governor. Visiting was Bobbie Stevens as guest of Roy Yates.

**Randy Hansen** introduced Terry and Debbie Johnson, parents of Cascade stu-



dent of the month, Chad Johnson. **Kris Brynidsen-Smith** introduced the parents and grandma of the Archbishop Murphy (ABM) student, Christopher Mitchell.

PP **Larry O'Donnell** introduced Chris Knapp, manager at the Anderson Hunter Law firm.

**Marguerite Marquilly**, our French exchange student, was welcomed as well. Finally, **Susie Moses** introduced Andrea Bartin from Providence Everett Medical Center.

**Marc Baker** presented **Ron Edlin** (absent) and **Jim Bloom** with the TRF label indicating the \$100.00 donation to the Rotary Foundation this year.

**Kim Buike** passed out copies of the e-mail notification regarding the attendance policy on makeup's. Basically, if you can dream it...make it happen. Ok, that's not exactly what he said, but if you can hang with your committee for more than 30 minutes and convince at least three of you to attend, it's in the book!

President Nominee **Rose Goulet** warned us about a fundraiser coming our way on Feb-March. More details to come on November 23<sup>rd</sup>.

---reported by Kevin Morris

## IRAQ HOSTAGES

Extremists in Iraq continue to use hostage-taking to convey their message, leaving much of the world wondering what to do...what do you think?



**George Petrie**  
*Airport Management*

"Why don't we make hostage-taking punishable by death? Then everyone would think twice before doing it."



**Fontelle Jones**  
*Yarn Sales and Surgical Supplies*

"I'm about six or seven beheadings away from demanding some answers about what's going on in Iraq."



**Bill Hoffman**  
*Electronic Sales*

"As a hunter, let me say that bargaining with terrorists is unacceptable. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause for hostages."



**Renee Quistorf**  
*Women's Clothes*

"If I ever got beheaded, I'd make sure the geyser of blood would stain my captors' clothing so they'd have to throw it out. Take that, terrorists!"



**Bernie Webber**  
*Fine Artist*

"We should just shoot 'em all and let God sort 'em out. That's God, mind you, not Allah."



**Warren Burns**  
*Combustion Dude*

"I'd like to think that if the situation were reversed, we here in Everett wouldn't treat our hostages this way."

## REALIZING YOUR DREAMS



**M**arc Baker introduced local artist, Michael Reagan.

Michael is a local Vietnam Veteran and utilizes his artistic talents for charitable causes. While in high school, he became interested in art. He found he was "color

blind" and started to focus on doing black and white portraits. He has done local art for the Everett Clinic since the 1970's. He is now doing his most profound work, "Fallen Heroes", a program he decided to dedicate himself to, which gives back to the American Veterans fallen in recent times in Afghanistan and Iraq. He received a letter from a wife of a fallen hero, Charise Johnson, he by chance actually spoke to her on the phone, and once he did, decided he could not charge her for the commissioned artwork. Since that time, he has decided to do all veterans when asked through his program. He has done 50 portraits, with at least 100 more requests on hand. He notes that the letters he has received would tear your heart out, and that the love of freedom and this country that these families

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**R**od Moody was 46 birthday dollars happy. (Did I get that number correct?) **Bob Trosvig** had 100 big ones for anniversary and birthday bucks. **Tim Hornbecker** announced Sherwood auction, Thursday October 28th at the Events center with **Bob Drewel** and lots of great prizes. **Andy Skotland** was over-sharing about his nostril hair. **Louise Stanton-Masten** announced the upcoming Everett Area Business Expo, October 20th, 2004. (This week!)

**Al DeTuerk** reminded **Fontelle Jones** that her Mom (Hazel) had joined her for lunch as a guest. **Lee Trevithick** from Cocoon house noted that there fundraiser netted 58 thousand, while **Dave Surface** also thanked the community for the \$68 thousand Campfire received at their luncheon with Mac Bledsoe last Thursday. The Sperandio's were awarded the **Lou Denney** award.

**Bob Terwiliger** was happy about the 350K registered voters and 215K absentee voters ready to make their mark. Navy chaplain, **Mike Hakanson** welcomed the *USS Momsen*, and noted that he had performed services, burial at sea for local veterans, and none of the politicians were accidentally lost at sea.

**Jerry Beavers** was happy and sad, happy for 31 years of Marriage and 51 years on this earth, but sorrow for our Member, **Ev Miller**, who passed on October 15th, 2004. There will be more to come regarding **Ev**. I noted many pausing to remember him as they signed the card for his family.

—reported by Kevin Morris

have shown him is spectacular. Michael is no stranger to charitable works. He has generated over \$10 million dollars with his artwork for charities. He has done over 7,500 works. Most given to charity for auctions. He has had a great opportunity to work with many celebrities, and sports and political figures over the years. He has many great stories, and could only share a fraction of those with us in the time allotted. Some of the people he has worked with include: Harrison Ford, Mohammed Ali, Frank Sinatra, Tom Selleck, Gregory Peck, The Seattle Seahawks, The Washington Huskies, the Cougs, Alex Rodriguez, Michael Jordan, President Bush and Laura Bush. He also is involved with endangered species, including the wolf. He demonstrated the ability to learn "Color" and landed a contract with the Seahawks, doing much of their yearly work.

Michael also gave life lessons about giving, and rewarding one's self for a job well done. This was very inspirational and moving presentation, and a great one to have our student's of the month see.

—reported by Kevin Morris

## McGreevey Proposes Tax Cut For People Living Two Lives

### Supports Changing State Song to 'Copacabana'

New Jersey Governor James McGreevey today announced an aggressive legislative agenda for his remaining months in office, including a substantial tax cut for those New Jersey taxpayers living two lives.

*"Those who are living two lives are racking up twice the expenses of those living only one," Mr. McGreevey said. "This tax cut would recognize that reality."*

Mr. McGreevey surprised many in the state by pushing forward with a host of new initiatives, including a proposal that would change the state song to "Copacabana."

In addition to offering tax rebates to owners of Vespa scooters and Speedo swimsuits, Mr. McGreevey blocked a proposal to build a new arena for the New Jersey Nets, calling their uniforms "hideous."

Instead, he said that he would support building a \$600 million soccer stadium in Newark in the hopes of attracting British soccer star David Beckham.

In New Jersey, where flags flew at half-mast today to mark the end of Cher's Farewell Tour, Democrats were deeply divided over whether Mr. McGreevey's bold new agenda was good for their party.

In the words of one Democratic insider, *"I wish he'd just go somewhere and disappear, like on John McEnroe's show."*

But Mr. McGreevey, who said today that he would crack down on the manufacturers of so-called salon products that leave New Jersey taxpayers' hair droopy and lifeless, seemed determined to stick around as the fall election battle heats up.

He advised Democratic presidential nominee John Kerry not to ignore the state in the months ahead, warning, *"New Jersey could go either way."*

## STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



**Will McMahan** introduced Cascade high's Chad Johnson. One (two) words describe him, "well rounded". He says he is not a star, but went on to note his accomplishments, and if you looked to the audience, there were sure stars in the eyes of his parents!



**David Chan** introduced Chris Mitchell from ABM, where students look up to him, and not just because he 6'4". He is senior class president, a two sport standout athlete and youth leader in his church...in fact, Chris even held the door for most of us on the way out of the meeting as a humble and polite young man.



**Mark Nesse**, introduce Clarissa Fidler from that great alma mater, Everett High. *(Hats came off; tears were wiped from many an eye in the crowd. Me, from Snohomish High just knocked off the cow pie from my boots and waited for the moment to pass)* Clarissa had a sports injury that exposed her to Physical therapy and helping others, and now has a full head of steam to achieve that degree either at western Washington or BYU. She demonstrates good balance between school, community service, church and sports.

## Upcoming Events/Projects

### FELLOWSHIP

**October 30th** at the Imagine Children's Museum 6 to 8 pm.

**November 19th** at the Monte Cristo Hotel. This wine tasting is in conjunction with Everett Symphony and costs \$15.

Future events include Guess Who's Coming to Dinner which will be scheduled in 2005.

### LOCAL IMPACT

The annual Food Drive is scheduled for December 3rd and participation sheets will be distributed in November. Local Safeway and QFC stores will be canvassed for non-perishable food to benefit the Everett VOA food bank. The Giving Tree begins on November 9th for the benefit of the Foster Care Program at Compass Health, and concludes Dec. 12th.

### ENVIRONMENTAL

Chair Tom Koenig reminds members the Jetty Island clean-up project starts October 23rd from 9am to 12pm. The Port of Everett will provide tables and chairs for the Marine barbeque cooked by Master Chef PDG Don Senter. In April of 2005, the club will perform its annual cleaning of Rotary Park on Lowell.

—photos by Judi Edwards

## Toilet Testers Come Out #2

Recently I watched as a professional engineer attempted to flush fermented bean curd down a toilet.

This was not some fun engineer prank. This was a laboratory test conducted at the research center of the National Association of Home Builders, which is trying to develop a laboratory test for toilet performance that simulates the challenges faced by toilets in the real world.



This research is necessary because Americans are unhappy with the wimpy toilets we are now required to buy. We yearn for the glory years, when our toilets were among the most powerful on earth – when the standard American

household commode could, in a single flush, as proven in actual tests, suck down a mature sheep.

(Before I get a lot of mail from angry animal-rights activists, let me stress that these tests did NOT use an actual sheep. That would be barbaric! They used two goats tied together.)

But then, in 1992, the U.S. Congress – instead of passing a law that would actually benefit ordinary Americans, such as a mandatory death penalty for telemarketers – decided to cripple our toilets. Specifically, Congress passed a law limiting new toilets to 1.6 gallons of water per flush, less than half what the old toilets used. In terms of power and studliness, our toilets went from being the Baltimore Ravens to being Barry Manilow.

(Before I get a lot of mail from angry Barry Manilow fans, let me stress that, as a musician and a performer, he sounds like two goats tied together.)

The new toilets were supposed to save water. And they work OK when it comes to disposing of what is euphemistically referred to as “Number One.” The problem is that, when they must dispose of what is euphemistically referred to as “Geraldo,” they tend to clog, and they often must be flushed repeatedly, which actually wastes water.

(Before I get a lot of mail from angry Geraldo fans, let me stress that there ARE no Geraldo fans.)

So anyway, the plumbing and homebuilding industries have gotten many complaints about the new toilets. That’s why the National Association of Home Builders has been trying to come up with a real-world

toilet test, so we’ll know which, if any, toilets actually work, so consumers can buy these and get rid of the bad toilets, which will then be dropped from bombers onto the U.S. Capitol.

OK, that last part is a fantasy (for now). But the NAHB really is doing serious toilet research, as I learned when I was given a tour of its Maryland research facility by Larry Zarker, Chuck Arnold and Tom Kenney. They showed me a laboratory where test toilets are mounted on a frame; the procedure is, you put your test material into the bowl, flush, then see how much material makes it through a wire collection basket underneath. (Kids: This would be a GREAT science-fair project!)

Kenney first showed me the current test standard, in which the toilet is supposed to flush 100 little plastic balls. There are two problems with this test. One is that anybody who emits anything like 100 little plastic balls doesn’t need a better toilet; he needs immediate medical care. The other problem is that the test is WAY too easy. “Any toilet in the world can pass it,” said Kenney.

He then showed me some of the tougher, more-realistic tests being considered. These involve various materials, including wads of paper and sponges, both weighted and unweighted, to simulate what the NAHB refers to as “sinkers” and “floaters.”

But the most impressive test material, by FAR, is the fermented bean curd, which Kenney said is made, using a secret recipe, by the Toto toilet company of Japan, a world leader in commode innovation. I mean, this stuff looks EXACTLY like real Geraldo. I myself would not touch it. I watched in fascinated horror as Kenney boldly grasped a mass of it and, with his bare hands, formed 10 incredibly lifelike Puff Daddies. Needless to say, these clogged the test toilet.

I was deeply moved by this experience. I came away convinced that these engineers will, some day, develop a test that will enable us, as a nation, to once again have faith in our commodes. When that day comes, I want to shake the hands of the courageous researchers who made it possible.

But first they will have to wash up.

### Future Programs

10/26 Andy Skotdal	Alaska Way Viaduct Secretary of Transportation McDonald
11/02 Deborah Wright	Community Prosecution Leslie Tidball
11/09 Randy Lyman	Discover Institute Dave Erling