Norwegian Commercial Club of Seattle

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Educating Us About Education
PUTTING ON THE HUSKY

Here's what you missed at our last meeting. Our speaker was Kelly Snyder – Assistant Vice Chancellor, UW Bothell Campus.

The University of Washington Bothell Campus was established in 1990 and also has a Community College on their campus, Cascadia College. They teach both

Graduate level and Under Graduate level courses.

Today the campus is home to 5,300 students with an average class size of only 30 students per class; much smaller than a typical university size classroom. The school ranks 10th nationally among public universities. It's a relatively small campus with an entrepreneurial feel. Many students are first generation college graduates. 35% of the student-body are very poor and there are many challenges to this scenario. It is the most diverse campus in Washington State. They average about 300-400 new students per year.

In June, the first set of Mechanical Engineers will graduate. Curriculum is being developed for a Maritime Engineering degree program, set to launch in 2017. This will encompass areas of electrical, mechanical, maritime and computer science skill set.

Funding was just approved for a Science building. It takes 6 years for funding a new building! There is room for 7 more buildings on campus. Bothell is considered a commuter campus. A new dorm will be added with a 500 bed capacity.

They have a Capstone Project for students in their final year to earn credits working on a project in their industry or a community organization.

There was no cash winner in the Big Money Jackpot drawing. Congrats to Mark Pederson for winning a free dinner and the bottle of amber went home with Ivan Svasand!!!

Our next meeting is February 11th (This Thursday) and will be a musical night and no speaker.

DINNER: Seafood chowder and a seafood salad, dessert and special for *Valentine's Day*, champagne and chocolates

Members \$25 (if you pre-register)

\$30 for drop in members

Guests \$30 for guests or non-paid members

\$10 for students (with valid ID)

Reservations are recommended.

Call the office by the Wednesday before the meeting and leave a message to guarantee your spot: (206) 783-1274