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Biz Bits: People

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Kim Williams, chief nurse executive for Providence Hospital Medical Center of Everett, was recently elected president of the board of the Washington Center for Nursing, a nonprofit organization in Seattle

Judith Strand of Everett was honored earlier this month as the Zonta Club Founder's Day award recipient for her years of service to a variety of community organizations, including Christmas House. Strand is community relations director for Harbour Pointe Retirement and Assisted Living Center in Mukilteo. Zonta is a service organization of executives and professionals.

The dairy operated by Jim and Andy Werkhoven in Monroe has been nominated for an Outstanding Dairy Farm Sustainability Award. The new awards program was established by the Innovation Center for U.S. Dairy. It will be presented Feb. 1. The dairy was established in 1959 by Sam Werkhoven with 20 cows on 40 acres. Jim and Andy Werkhoven now milk 1,000 cows on 700 acres. They operate a manure digester that feeds electricity to the grid and collaborate with the Tulalip Tribes to restore chinook runs on the Skykomish River.

Kam and Jeff Bradley, owners of the indoor trampoline company Absolute Air Park in Arlington, and Jim and Carla Donnelson, owners of the Donnelson Building there, were honored by the city recently for their efforts to improve their buildings and beautify the city. Absolute Air Park is at 18802 67th Avenue NE and the Donnelson Building is at the corner of Second Street and Olympic Avenue.

Nominees for the Monroe Chamber of Commerce board for 2012 include Eldon Bartelheimer of Hill Street Cleaners, president; Cheryl Gainsford of Mary Kay Cosmetics, secretary; Katy Woods of Whidbey Island Bank, treasurer. Directors include Mike Liefpman of Valley General Hospital; Rosemary O'Neil of Monroe Public Schools; Adrian Taylor of Ben Franklin Crafts; Dennis Anderson of Wells Fargo Home Mortgage; Meghan Manning of Health Happenings; Ken Perrine of Kool Change Printing; and Kim Leslie of Key Bank of Monroe.

New businesses

Alicia and Steve Jermyn have purchased the Totem Family Diner, 4410 Rucker Ave., Everett. The diner was opened in 1953. Alicia Jermyn said they plan to open the diner for dinner soon. She said Steve Jermyn is an award-winning competitor on the barbecue circuit and is interested in settling down and feeding people.

Events

The Lake Stevens Chamber of Commerce will honor its business and chamber member of the year at a

luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Monday at the school district, 12309 22nd St. NE. The chamber also will induct members into the Lake Stevens Hall of Fame. Info: 425-334-0433.

Paine Field Airport and the Future of Flight center will hold a holiday open house from 4 to 7 p.m. at the center, 8415 Paine Field Blvd. Donations of toys and non-perishable food are welcome.

Good deeds

Jersey Mike's Subs, which has an outlet in Mukilteo, raised \$12,058 in its Seattle region for Susan G. Komen for the Cure cancer research. Nationally, the chain's six-month awareness and fund-raising campaign raised \$1.1 million.

Diamond Knot Brewing has begun its annual Coats for Kids drive. The drive by the Mukilteo company will benefit Domestic Violence Services of Snohomish County. Financial donations to purchase warm coats and clothing will be accepted until Dec. 21 at Diamond Knot locations in Mukilteo and Camano Island. The company will match the amount donated.

The Stanwood Camano Rotary Club has donated \$20,000 to Housing Hope, which provides affordable housing to low income residents of Snohomish County and Camano Island.