



Local Restaurants Receive “Silver Platter” Food Safety Award

The Whatcom County Health Department is pleased to announce the recipients of the **Silver Platter Award** for 2010. The award recognizes excellence in safe food handling and is given to dining establishments that achieve outstanding scores during routine food safety inspections throughout the year.

“This award acknowledges the efforts of operators who demonstrate a commitment to food safety in their restaurants,” stated Regina Delahunt, Public Health Director. “We are pleased that so many operators have made food safety a top priority.”

Only about 5% percent of the dining establishments inspected in 2010 met the stringent criteria established by the Health Department for the Silver Platter Award. To receive an award, establishments must comply with the Washington State Retail Food Code and consistently achieve excellent scores during food safety inspections conducted throughout the year.

Food safety is an important public health issue. The US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimate that one out of every six people in the United States are affected by food-borne illness each year. Whatcom County's Silver Platter Award recipients have made a valuable contribution to the prevention of food-borne illness in our community. **The 2010 Silver Platter Award recipients are:**

Abbey Garden Tea Room	Il Caffe Rifugio	Quiznos - Guide
Acme Café	K F C /A & W	Rhodes Cafe
Bellingham Senior Center	K-Mart Snack Bar	Rudy's Pizzeria
Buzz Thru Coffee	Kris's Mini Mart	Rustic Coffee Bar
C Shop	Little Caesar's - Birch Bay	Sbarro Italian Eatery
Caffe Adagio, LLC	Little Caesar's - Blaine	Seaside Bakery Cafe
Camp Firwood - Dining	Little Caesar's - Ferndale	Shell - H Street
Coconut Grove Bar & Grill	Little Caesar's - Lakeway	Shorty's Coffee Shop
Coffee Junction	Little Caesar's - Lynden	Spring Creek Retirement & Assisted Living
Costco Wholesale #19—Rotisserie	Little Caesar's - Northwest	Starvin Sam's - III
Cruisin Coffee – Iowa	Little Caesar's - Yew St	Subway - Third Avenue
Curb Shots	McDonald's Restaurant - Ferndale	Sudden Valley Coffee Shop
Dairy Queen - Ferndale	McDonald's Restaurant - Telegraph	Taco Bell - Stuart Rd
Dairy Queen – Lynden	Memorable Events and Catering	Taco Time - Byron
Diablo Dining Hall - Cookhouse	Milt's Pizza	Taco Time - Lynden
Extremes Sports Grill	Morrie's Drive-In	Taco Time - Meridian
Fairhaven Pizza Company	Muddy Waters, Inc.	Tino's Pizza & Pasta Co
Fiamma Burger	New York Pizza	Torre Caffe
Fino	Old World Deli	Twentieth Century Bowling
Firs Chalet	Papa Murphy's - Ferndale #143	Web Locker Restaurant
Fort Bellingham Market & Deli	Papa Murphy's - Lakeway	Westside Pizza
Fred Meyer - Lakeway - Deli	Pho-Teriyaki Restaurant	Wheel House Bar And Grill
Gigi's Café & Pastries	Pizza Factory	WWU - Arntzen's Atrium - Grab & Go
Grand Avenue Ale House	Pizza Hut / Pasta Bravo	Zoom Zoom Espresso
Halibut Henry's	Pizzazza	
I Wana Moka	Pt Roberts Marketplace - Deli	

The public should look for these awards posted in the dining establishments of local award recipients. Questions regarding the Silver Platter Award may be directed to our Food Safety Program at (360) 676-6724.