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The Fair Celebrates the Centennial with Centenarians And we have (Unofficially) Passed the Record!

WHAT: The Evergreen State Fair, as part of our 100th anniversary celebration, attempted to break the Guinness Record for the largest gathering of Centenarians in one location. The current standing record is 23. Today, we hosted 24 guests who were 100 years old or more!

The current record was set at “a Tea Party held in England on September 8th in 2006,” Stephanie Hagarty-Moening, FairBoard member and organizer, reported. The potential new record was created with people like the eldest, Georgia Geiger who was born February 22, 1901; and the youngest, Mildred Nelson who was born July 27, 1908.

The official count became tense and dramatic as 22 persons were on site at 11:30. The time scheduled for all Centenarians to be present and counted (noon) came and went as guests lunched, shared their stories on the microphone and celebrated with cake. At 12:20, the record tying 100 year old arrived, with the record breaker, two minutes behind. Their entry was loudly applauded!

Guests were treated to lunch by the Senior Services of Snohomish County; sponsored by AM 880 KIXI radio, Merrill Gardens of Monroe and the story was documented by Evening Magazine, hosted by Meeghan Black. The Evergreen State Fair Advisory Board greeted the arriving people and were honored to be in the presence of over 2,400 years of combined history.

The Official Record will have to be determined by Guinness and will be made within eight weeks from receipt.

WHEN: Monday, August 25, 2008

WHERE: At the Evergreen State Fair in the Snohomish County Ag Display.

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