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I want to thank all of you who were able to attend our district re-visioning meeting on February 24, 2010, for your time and the discussion. The PowerPoint and notes from that meeting are posted on the district website. I want to remind you that the next meeting will be held this coming Wednesday, March 10, at 6:30 pm in the EVHS library.

I understand that there might be a number of conflicts with this date. Our girls' basketball team is headed for state and we have National Honor Society inductions that evening. We also have a farm to school meeting that night.

As usual, there is no shortage of activities in the district and many really positive things continue to compete for our time and attention. One less than positive thing is the continuing pressure caused by the economic shortfall our state is facing.

The Legislature is due to complete their work for this session on March 11th. I am doubtful that they will meet that deadline but the sooner we know the outcome of their work the better. We have to begin planning for next year and most of that planning depends on how our budget is impacted by the actions in Olympia.

We will keep you posted on the latest news. As always, you may contact me at the district office at 924-1830, at home 928-0519, via e-mail at glnewinkelj@evsd.org or regular mail in care of the district office, 12325 East Grace, Spokane Valley, WA, 99216.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve this district.

John