



From Our Prez. . .

~ From Mike Hinz

Last Saturday Lance Colyar and I attended Club Leadership Education Training in the bustling town of Belfair. We discussed different leadership skills and qualities, methods of communication, the rules of recognition, goal setting and club operations. Not one bit of it was exciting or entertaining yet everybody in the audience was listening intently and contributing to the discussion. I looked around and it hit me... These people, everyone there, really wanted to help their communities. I was surrounded by wonderful people. They all know that it feels great to help out those who need it most. It made me very proud to be a Kiwanis member.

CLE training taught me that I have a lot to learn about protocol, procedure and well, everything about leading a meeting and soon a club. I will do my best to learn from all of you who have been here before me and will work hard to make our meetings fun and productive.

With Rich Tucker out of town for the next couple of weeks I will be sitting in for him at our next two Wednesday meetings and our next board meeting. Fine master please be

kind.

(Mike Hinz is substituting for Rich Tucker while Rich is out of the country for a couple of weeks.)

KiwaNotes

New Shirts, Caps, & Aprons

~Bill Fogarty

RE: Shirts, caps and aprons order. Per Branding in Portland this morning, our order will ship next Thursday the 23rd. So we will have the merchandise at the meeting the week of **June 29th**.

Golf Tournament

~Melani Joyal

Hurry up and get your place reserved in our annual golf tournament, August 26th at the JBLM Whispering Firs Golf Course.

Price is \$125 per person, which includes lunch, dinner, prizes, golf and cart.

~Bill Fogarty

Bill and Fred will have a sign up sheet for the golf tournament Friday, August 26th.

Team and tee sponsor forms are on our website (and can be downloaded from the website).

Remember we MUST provide the base with an alphabetical player and sponsor list two weeks in advance!!!
Yikes!!!!

Melani has volunteered to keep the database for players, payments, etc. So members need to register full information with Bill, Melanie and Fred.



This Week

- **Wed: Business Meeting**
- **Friday: Club Social at Scott's home**

Looking Ahead

- **June 28-July 3: Fireworks sales**
- **June 29, Speaker is Laureen Lund, Marketing Director, Gig Harbor**
- **July 1, Board/Foundation, Sunset Grill, 7 AM**
- **July 7, Blood Drive**
- **July 14, NW Kiwanis Camp BBQ, 4 PM**
- **Aug 17-18: GearUp**
- **Aug 26: Golf Tournament**
- **For other EVENTS, click**

<http://calendar.mail.yahoo.com/gigharborkiwanis>

Inspiration

KEdbit Speakers

- **June 22, Lance**
- **June 29, Open**



Also we would like to **prepay** wherever possible to lighten Mel's load on the big day.....

A Golf Committee meeting will be held immediately following this Wednesday's meeting. We need prize- collection volunteers, phone solicitors to previous players, and (as Nick says) basically cajoling and pushing everyone to move along... so we fill the course with 144 players!!!!

We have less than two months; I appreciate everyone's help.

NW Kiwanis Camp BBQ

~Terry Johnson

The NW Kiwanis Camp BBQ is scheduled for **July 14, 2011 at 4 pm** up at the Camp. We will be partnering with the Sequim Kiwanis Club this year.

Please contact **Terry Johnson** if you signed up.

Larry Bellona Scholarship

~Evelyn Bellona

My husband, **Larry Bellona**, would have been very pleased to have the GH Kiwanis Scholarship named for him.

Hannah's nice thank you was well done, and I was glad you printed it and the other recipients' thank you letters.

Thanks from Artondale

Under nicely decorated full-page note saying "**THANKS YOU KIWANIS READERS**" the tykes at Artondale pre-school signed their names over two pages. So, to all the readers at Artondale this year, please know how much Roy, Gail, Danica, Tate, Booker, and the other children appreciated your work this year!

Relay for Life

~Steve Arnold

Both Clubs actively participated in the Gig Harbor "Relay for Life" last weekend, with over 20 students participating, and many spent the night.

They raised over \$700, with

more to come. The rain on Saturday did not dampen the enthusiasm, and all had a good time.

Kiwanians who walked included **Steve and Kathy Bay. Kathy and Al Robers** provided advice and help from afar, plus supplies to make tie-dye T-shirts on Friday.

Special thanks to all the Kiwanians who arrived early on Saturday to provided a well attended (and much appreciated) pancake breakfast.

Special thanks in particular goes to to **Jim Bannon** who spent the night as one of the chaperones, and then managed the breakfast on Saturday.

Special thanks also to Jill Rusdal, a Key Club parent who also served as a chaperone.

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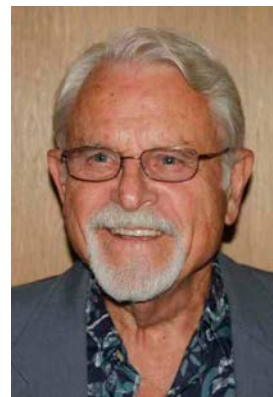
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Milestones

**Happy Anniversary to
Ron & Barb Wentlandt
On June 15th!**



**Happy Birthday to
Gordy Anderson
On June 21**





Deep Thoughts

The Onion: Nation Down To Last 100 Grownups; Mature Adults Could Be Gone Within 50 Years

According to alarming new figures released Monday by the U.S. Census Bureau, the nation's population of mature adults has been pushed to the brink of extinction, with only 104 grown-ups remaining in the country today.

The endangered demographic, which is projected to die out completely by 2060, is reportedly distinguished from other groups by numerous unique traits, including foresight, rationality, understanding of how to obtain and pay for a mortgage, personal responsibility, and the ability to enter a store without immediately purchasing whatever items they see and desire.

"Our grown-ups are disappearing at a much faster rate than we previously believed," said Census Bureau chief Robert M. Groves, who believes the decline in responsible adults may now be irreversible. "Unfortunately, we've only recently noticed this terrible trend, perhaps because of this group's unusual capacity to endure hardships with quiet dignity instead of whining loudly to draw attention to themselves."

"If nothing is done, these wondrous individuals, with their special ability to consider the long-term consequences of their own behavior and act accordingly, will be wiped-out completely," Groves added.

According to recent data, the grown-up population has plummeted dramatically since 1950, when a Census count found that more than 24 million Americans could both admit when they were wrong and respect a viewpoint other than their

own. Today, only one in three million citizens can provide thoughtful advice to a fellow human being instead of immediately shifting the topic to their own personal issues or what they had for lunch.

Experts confirmed the mass extinction of grown-ups has coincided with the rapid expansion of other demographic groups, including people who seek medication for every problem they encounter, 33-year-olds who participate in organized kickball leagues, personal injury litigants, and parents who try to become friends with their own children.

"Grown-ups are as fascinating as they are rare," said anthropologist Arthur Ambler, who has lived among level-headed adult populations and documented their lifestyle. "It may seem odd to the rest of us, but for mature adults, occasionally putting the greater good ahead of their own interests or remaining calm when something doesn't go their way is commonplace."

"Imagine confronting a problem directly instead of pointing a finger, cowering in fear, or pretending it just isn't happening," Ambler added. "This is how these people actually live, if you can believe that."

Many social scientists, including Ambler, have called for a complete record to be made of the declining population's customs, worrying that knowledge of how to dress for a job interview or when to rotate one's tires could soon be lost to civilization forever. Future generations, they soberly note, will likely go their whole lives never knowing a grown-up person.

When contacted for comment, Colorado resident Ray Vogel, a grown-up, told reporters he was resigned to his group's

fate.

"We recognize that our time has come and gone, and we're prepared to let nature run its course," said the 54-year-old, who has a well-funded 401(k) and has never taken out a high-interest loan to purchase a Jet Ski. "I'm just grateful my two children didn't turn out patient and considerate like me. They'd never be able to get anywhere in today's world."

According to Vogel, the nation's remaining grown-ups have drafted a letter to be read by the rest of us when they are gone that implores us to make "good decisions" in their absence and explains how to reignite the pilot light on the hot-water heater should it go out. The note is also said to include some money that we are firmly instructed to use only in case of a real emergency.