

# Kiwanis Club of Peninsula-Gig Harbor

## KiwaNews for October 7, 2009

### **Wednesday's Speaker From Our Prez. . .**

**Jacqui Goodwill** will give an update on the new St. Anthony's hospital

### **Upcoming Speakers**

### **Reminders**

**This Week. . .**

**Saturday: ChumFest**

- For other **EVENTS**, click <http://calendar.mail.yahoo.com/gigharborkiwanis>

### **Inspiration**

- Oct. 7 - Steve B.
- Oct. 14 - Bob H.
- Oct. 21 - Daphne F.
- Oct. 28 - OPEN
- Nov. 4 - Jeni M.
- Nov. 11 - Kathy R.
- Nov. 18 - Steve B.
- Nov. 25 - Bill F.



I won't be with you this week. After a couple of business days in Madrid, Shirley and I are visiting our son and his family in Italy. It has been several years since we have had a good chance to get together with the whole "Italian Hansen" family.

On the long, long flight from home to Spain, I was thinking about the challenges and opportunities the club faces this year. Already we have a promising new fund raising project underway. As you read in last week's bulletin, the Pet Remembrance effort, put together by Sherry, is off to an encouraging start. But, we have a long ways to go in a tough economic year. Pet owners, although they are almost ubiquitous are a new audience for us. Some will be willing and happy to have their past, or present pet "remembered" on our tree at Christmas and some won't care... hopefully there are many more of the former.

But, let's think about those we contact who aren't interested in remembering their pet. We have made the initial contact and even if they don't want to talk about pets, don't waste the moment. Maybe they would be interested in what we do in the community from diapers to college scholarships or from baby formula to oral histories for old folks. And there is a chance they might be interested in joining a club that does all those good things. While we are "selling" something specific (See's Candy, Golf Tournament, Star Search, Etc.) let's sell the Club.

This means if you meet someone who you think might be a good member, ASK THEM. Invite them to a meeting... and follow up that invitation. This means if you meet someone who might contribute goods or money to support one of our projects, ASK THEM. And follow up. We can grow and we can continue to do great things in the Gig Harbor community if we get out the word on what we do and ask people to join in our work. Remember, ASK.

### **KiwaNotes**

**From Jeni . . .**

Happy New Year!



October 1st was the beginning of a new Kiwanis year, which means for our club, new leadership, new ideas, and regeneration of our members. This is a good time to remind you that club members are the most important component of the Kiwanis Organization. Without clubs with members like ours, the organization would not exist. This is why keeping our members active and interested in our projects and fundraisers is so important!



**Kiwanis**  
**Young Children**  
Priority One

*more from Jeni...*

I know our club is in the hands of excellent leaders this year. We are fortunate! I am proud of our club and have no qualms about asking people to join us for a morning meeting at Madrona Links. I think we find ourselves in a routine, forgetting about promoting our own club! Please bring this thought to the front of your mind, and begin asking people to come to a meeting. Having new members helps to generate the club and our existing members with the enthusiasm and support they bring to the club.

## ***Milestones***



**\*Happy anniversary to Andi and Al M. on October 7<sup>th</sup>!**



**\*Happy Birthday to Nick M. on October 5<sup>th</sup>!**



**\*Happy Birthday to Robert S. on October 5<sup>th</sup>.**

## ***Deep Thoughts***



### **Words to Live By:**

Opportunities always look bigger going than coming.

Junk is something you've kept for years and throw away three weeks before you need it.

There is always one more imbecile than you counted on.

Experience is a wonderful thing. It enables you to recognize a mistake when you make it again.

By the time you can make the ends meet, they move the ends.

Thou shall not weigh more than thy refrigerator.

Someone who thinks logically provides a nice contrast to the real world.

If you must choose between two evils, choose the one that you've never tried before.

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