

Kiwanis Club of Peninsula-Gig Harbor

KiwaNews for December 16, 2009

Wednesday's Speaker

- Dec. 16th: Warren Zimmerman from the chamber

Upcoming Speakers

- Dec. 16th: Warren Zimmerman from the chamber
- ❖ **Dec. 23rd SANTA!**
- Dec. 30th Sheila Hunt speaking about her trip to Peru

This Week. . . .

Please remember to **sign up** for a time to sell See's Candy and Pet Remembrance tags. (Sign-up sheets, with open slots, are at the bottom of this newsletter.)

- Dec. 16th Terrific Kids
- Dec. 18th Board Meeting
- Dec. 20th Club Christmas Party
- Dec. 21st Blood Drive

Reminders

- Dec. 16: Terrific Kids Assembly, Artondale, 1 p.m.
- Dec. 18: Board Meeting, 7 a.m. Sunset Grill
- Dec. 20: Club Christmas Party at Jim and Shirley Hansen's. 3-7pm
- Dec. 21: Blood Drive, 1-7, Sunset Grill Parking lot
- Dec. 23: Annual Children's Christmas Party, 7 a.m.
- For other **EVENTS**, click <http://calendar.mail.yahoo.com/gigharborkiwanis>

From Our Prez. . .

Being president of a Kiwanis Club requires a degree of commitment and a few hours of work most weeks for a year. But, a successful Kiwanis club must have a couple of other people who deliver commitment, and results, 52 weeks a year, year after year. Without a good Secretary and an equally competent Treasurer our club (any club) simply cannot function... happily we have both!



Lance Colyar keeps track of attendance at meetings each week... that is what most of us see. But that is the easy part and just the beginning. He is responsible for the records of our club including the minutes of Board meetings (both the Club and the Foundation). In addition, he is responsible for the preparation of the monthly reports (the format and requirements change every year) that go up the Kiwanis chain. These reports include service hours, attendance numbers, inter-clubs and other things. Lance doesn't say very much, but he provides a vital service to the Club the year around.

And then there is Melani Joyal. For several years she has been our Treasure and last year, she also served as President (an easier job) which added to her load. She keeps the Club's books. Sounds simple enough until you look at the way our budget must be divided among the various services areas. She provides detailed financial reports to the Board of Directors twice each month... and provides the same service for our Foundation. She receives the handful of

bills and loose change from the drawing, the fines, and the football pool each week and collects our dues which comprise the administrative budget. All this, of course, goes along with the reports to the Division and Kiwanis International and a lot of other things.

Lance and Melani exemplify what is meant by "service;" service to our club which translates to service to our community. They deserve our appreciation, take time to tell them, "Thanks for all you do."

KiwaNotes

Terrific Kids

~from Sherry

Please come to the Terrific Kids Assembly on December 16 at 1:00 p.m. at Artondale School. This will be the last Award Assembly for 2009; please attend if you can. These Terrific Kids will surely warm your heart this holiday season!

Kiwanis Camp News

~from Terry Johnson

The 2010 camping sessions have been selected. There will be 4 sessions. June 28 to July 2, July 5 to July 9, July 12 to July 16, and July 19 to July 23. If you know of any developmentally challenged individual that would be interested in attending the Camp, please let me know so I can help them with the interview process. We have one campership available this year. Early registration will help them secure a spot.

Kiwanis
Young Children
Priority One



Bike Program

~from John Bare

Dick Shaffer is going to be chairing the WCCW/Kiwanis bike Program while I am gone this winter. Please direct any questions or comments to him

Children's Christmas Party

~from Melani

Our annual Children's Christmas Party will be held on Wednesday, December 23rd, at 7 a.m. in place of our regular meeting. Please invite your children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, neighbor children (adult children are common!).

We will offer a buffet style breakfast instead of the regular menu (price to be disclosed later—probably around \$8 each).

Santa Claus will be coming, so please bring a wrapped gift with your guest's name on it for Santa to give away. (It's a secret; don't tell the kids.) All are welcome, even if you don't have a guest to bring! It's a fun meeting with very little business.

In Memoriam

Former Gig Harbor Kiwanian **John Robinson** passed away last week. He was 78. He was a member of our club from 1992 until 2001, An educator, over the length of his career he taught at the University of Puget Sound and in the Peninsula school system. He served as Principal at Evergreen Elementary and Peninsula Middle School. Upon his retirement in 2001 he is said to have announced to his friends, "I'm retired. I don't have to get up early any more." There are nine active members of Gig Harbor Kiwanis who knew Robinson as a Kiwanian, and still get up early.

Inspiration

- Dec. 16 – Bruce F.
- Dec. 23 – Santa
- Dec. 30 – Open

See's Candy Sign-Up Sheet

Saturday, Dec 19

10-1 **ALB Open**; TR Jeni M; QFC Melani
1-4 **ALB Open**; TR Terry J; QFC Susan H

Sunday, Dec 20

10-1 ALB Robers; TR Bill F; **QFC Open**
1-4 **ALB Open**; TR Lance C; **QFC Open**

Milestones

Birthdays



Happy Birthday to Steve A. on December 15th!



Anniversaries



Happy Anniversary to Jeni and Steve M. on December 17th!



Pet Remembrance Sign-Up Sheet

Saturday, December 19:

10:45 am–1:00 pm: Steve B, Dick S and Cody (Key Club)

12:45 pm–3:00 pm: Melanie and Zadka (Key Club)

Sunday, December 20:

10:45 am–1:00 pm: Kathy R and Jeni

12:45 pm–3:00 pm: Jim B and Sherry

Sherry will be at Posh Paw 15 minutes prior to each shift start. Sherry will also pinch-hit wherever there are openings unfilled.

Artondale Readers

• Dec. 14 10:00 Kathy R
2:30 Virdie

• Jan. 4 10:00 Kathy R
2:30 **OPEN**
11 10:00 Gordy A
2:30 **OPEN**
25 10:00 **OPEN**
2:30 Carol A.

• Feb. 1 10:00 Daphne F.
2:30 **OPEN**
8 10:00 Kathy R
2:30 **OPEN**
22 10:00 **OPEN**
2:30 Carol A.

Deep Thoughts



From British Newspapers....

Commenting on a complaint from a Mr. Arthur Purdey about a large gas bill, a spokesman for North West Gas said, 'We agree it was rather high for the time of year. It's possible Mr. Purdey has been charged for the gas used up during the

explosion that destroyed his house.' (The Daily Telegraph)

Police reveal that a woman arrested for shoplifting had a whole salami in her underwear. When asked why, she said it was because she was missing her Italian boyfriend. (The Manchester Evening News)

Irish police are being handicapped in a search for a stolen van, because they cannot issue a description. It's a Special Branch vehicle and they don't want the public to know what it looks like. (The Guardian)

A young girl who was blown out to sea on a set of inflatable teeth was rescued by a man on an inflatable lobster. A coast guard spokesman commented, 'This sort of thing is all too common'. (The Times)

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