

Kiwanis Club of Peninsula-Gig Harbor

KiwaNews for July 7, 2010

Wednesday's Speaker

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This Week. . . .

- **Tuesday: Pre-tournament golf outing, 9:30 at Madrona**
- **Thursday: Serve Dinner at NW Kiwanis Camp**
- **Friday: Golf Tournament**
- **Monday, pre-tournament golf outing 9:30 a.m. at Madrona**

Looking Ahead. . . .

- **August 18-19, Gear-Up**
- **September 29, Installation Banquet (no regular meeting)**
- **For other **EVENTS**, click <http://calendar.mail.yahoo.com/gigharborkiwanis>**

Inspiration

- July 7 - Bob Hall
- July 14 - **OPEN**
- July 21 - John Shoemaker



From Our Prez. . .

I can't recall the year, probably about 1990, when I attended my first Kiwanis International Convention. We were living in Annapolis, MD, at the time, and the Convention was set for Seattle. I was not an officer in the "Kiwanis Of The Severn," but when it came time to choose a delegate to make the Seattle trip, I generously volunteered. After all, it was an opportunity to get back to the Northwest for a few days, see some family and (as long as I was there) attend the convention. Eastern folks don't know much about the Northwest so no one else volunteered and I was on my way.



I enjoyed the whole trip and I learned a lot about Kiwanis at the convention. It had an interesting theme, "ReMember." The idea was that every club has had good members who, for a variety of reasons, had dropped out, were still around the community, still in contact with their friends, but no longer members. It was time to ReMember them... to see if they could not be brought back to the club. I took the idea back to Annapolis and we managed to bring back into the club a few people who, for whatever reason, had dropped their membership (or just their level of activity). The idea worked.

This topic was triggered by a letter sent out by Paul Palazzolo, Kiwanis International President, talking about

ReMember (I wonder if he was in Seattle...). I liked his last line, "Individuals join a Kiwanis club for a variety of reasons. They stay because they find value in service projects and friendship. Let's "ReMember" to provide that value."

We have some former members of our club, still close by, that we may be able to bring back to Kiwanis and it is well worth making the effort. Think of someone you know who was, and still should be, an active Kiwanian... bring them back. Let's ReMember.

KiwaNotes

Key Club ~ Steve Arnold

As you may already know, Kathy Robers has decided to step down as the Key Club advisor, as she needs to concentrate on other things. I have had the opportunity to work with Kathy this past year, and I can say that she has given her heart and soul to this project. For several years, she has spent countless hours each week dealing with all the many tasks involved---were it not for Kathy's efforts, we probably would not have a Key Club at either school right now. She certainly deserves our congratulations for all of her hard work.

Just listing everything Kathy has done with Key Club helps to underscore why this has been such a daunting task. Clearly, this requires the



efforts of more than one person. Nick has done a great job of drafting new Key Club policies, with the intention of showing how Kiwanis can help Key Club, and vice versa. Jim Hansen has asked me to serve as the chair of a new Kiwanis Key Club Committee. My goal is to help flesh out Nick's vision to incorporate more Kiwanians in Key Club activities. One thing that I have learned from Kathy is that Key Club is a time intensive activity, and we need to find a way to enable more of us to share this load.

I have identified a number of Kiwanians who have expressed an interest in Key Club activities, and have already contacted some of you by email. If any of the rest of you are also interested, please let me know—we can use all the help we can get! As you know, the Board will be meeting on the 16th of this month to discuss the proposed policies for Key Club that Nick has drafted. I encourage any of you that have ideas and suggestions to attend this meeting, or at least to send me your suggestions. I already have received a number of ideas from some of you, and I intend to pass these on to the Board for discussion.

Again, many thanks to Kathy! She has left us with big shoes to fill!

NW Kiwanis Camp ~Terry Johnson

For those of you who signed up to help set up and cook at the Kiwanis Camp BBQ, please plan on arriving at the Camp around 4 pm. If you need directions, ask Terry J. Thanks to all of you on such a busy week.

Bikes ~ John Bare

The Bike Shop has over 90 bikes finished, so we will have over a hundred for gear up for school. We are still in need of bikes to repair. Spread the word. They must be repairable, not junk. I will pick them up if necessary. The Scout pack that Peggy Ott is associated with has collected quite a few bikes. Thanks, Peggy, for getting them to the WCCW.

Milestones



Happy Birthday to Al Mitchell on July 1st!

Happy Birthday to Dan Platt on July 13th!



Happy Anniversary to Kathy & Al Robers on July 5th!



Happy Anniversary to Ray & Charlotte Needham on July 12th!

Deep Thoughts

Definitions

ADULT

A person who has stopped growing at both ends and is now growing in the middle.

BEAUTY PARLOR

A place where women curl up and dye.

CHICKENS

The only animal you eat before they are born and after they are dead.

COMMITTEE

A body that keeps minutes and wastes hours.

CAMEL

A horse designed by a committee.

DUST

Mud with the juice squeezed out.

EGOTIST

Someone who is usually me-deep in conversation.

HANDKERCHIEF

Cold Storage.

INFLATION

Cutting money in half without damaging the paper.

MOSQUITO

An insect that makes you like flies better.

SECRET

Something you tell to one person at a time.

SKELETON

A bunch of bones with the person scraped off.

TOOTHACHE

The pain that drives you to extraction.

TOMORROW

One of the greatest labor saving devices of today.

YAWN

An honest opinion openly expressed.

WRINKLES

Something other people have....similar to my character lines.

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