

Kiwanis Club of Peninsula-Gig Harbor

KiwaNews for September 2, 2009

Wednesday's Speaker



Larry Miller (Connie H's husband), update on recent research on gene therapy, stem cell therapy, and diabetes

Upcoming Speakers

- **Sept. 9:** No speaker-club meeting to discuss 2009-10 committees and fundraising activities
- **Sept. 16:** **Carmen Murray** tells us about the Peninsula HS Community Inclusion Program (CIP)
- **Sept. 23:** Will **InterClub at Greater Tacoma** (no meeting because of 9/24 Installation dinner)
- **Sept. 30:** **Dennis Taylor** will tell us about the YMCA "Friends & Servants" program

Reminders

This Week. . .

- **Wednesday:** first meeting of the month (remember to wear your shirt)
- **Thursday:** **Division Council, 6 p.m. Tacoma Elks (with our Jeni presiding!)**
- **Friday:** **Board/Foundation meeting *cancelled* this week**



- **Sept. 11:** **Board/Foundation meeting** (only one meeting this month) 7 a.m., Sunset Grill
- **Sept. 23, No Morning Meeting**
- **Sept. 24, Installation Banquet at Canterwood**
- **Sept. 26, Harbor Hounds**
- **For other EVENTS, click**
<http://calendar.mail.yahoo.com/gigharborkiwanis>

KiwaNotes

Jeni's First Meeting

~from Rich

Division Council will be Sept. 3rd (Thursday) at the Tacoma Elks. As Jeni said on Wednesday, she is working with two of our area Key Club Lt. Governors to prepare a picture powerpoint that shares projects of our 12 Kiwanis clubs in Div. 34.



It would be nice to have a good turnout of GH Kiwanians to support her in her first meeting as Lt. Gov.

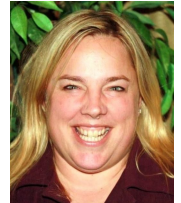
Governer's Pet Project

~from Jeni

October kicks off the new Kiwanis year of 2009-2010. Our incoming PNW Governor is Patrick Ewing, who has a love for dogs. Patrick's Governor's project theme this year is "We love to serve," meaning that dogs play an important role in our lives by not only offering unconditional love, but they support people with disabilities, and those who lead a more lonely life.

Ironically, our club's **Pet Remembrance Project** ties into the new Governor's theme, and some of the proceeds from our project will be donated to a pet-oriented organization

Our President



YMCA Event

~from Rich

Our club had a table at last week's YMCA event. We sold 15 cookbooks.

Jeni, Connie, and Pat R. helped in the morning, and **Steve B.** and I were there in the afternoon.

A Couple Stats and an Oops!

~from Daphne

Our commitment to **Gear Up** for School is evident in many ways. One is the total number of volunteer hours spent Wednesday and Thursday: 310. The total number of hours dedicated to Gear Up over twelve months was 657. Amazing! Again, thank you so much. What an amazing club!

I owe **Susan H.** a GIANT thank you and an apology for leaving her name off the list of volunteers at Gear Up. She helped set-up and came back Thursday morning to help families "shop". Thank you!

Terrific Kids

~from Sherry M

Gig Harbor Kiwanis is very fortunate to have two wonderful teachers at Artondale School who want to partner with our club to have a Terrific Kids program for the 2009-2010 school year.

Julie Heacox (who also happens to be John B's daughter-in-law) and Nate Sears introduced the Terrific Kids program to Artondale School teachers on August 27.

Kiwanis
Young Children
Priority One

Fortunately the "kit" with posters and award certificates arrived the day before, so Julie and Nate had materials to display to teachers.

The program will take the letters in TERRIFIC and apply an acronym each month, such as "T" which will represent Thoughtfulness. Teachers in each of the 22 classes will then select 2 students from each class who will be recognized over the PA system and have their picture taken, which will hang in a special Terrific Kids display are in the front lobby of the school. Students learn to set and achieve goals and compete only with themselves--not with other students in the class.

Approximately 44 students will be honored each month and at the end of each trimester these students (138+/-) will be honored at a special recognition gathering in the Artondale School's multi-purpose room. Students will receive an award certificate, bumper stickers for mom and dad's vehicle, and a special recognition prize, which Julie and Nate are still working on.

A special movie, with a special food treat as well, has been discussed at our August 24th meeting. This trimester award meeting will host the students' parents, school staff, and our Gig Harbor Kiwanis representatives.

Sherry M. is chairing this program, and the committee consists of **John B, Julia Heacox, Nate Farmer, Jeni M,** and with our upcoming President, **Jim H.** attending our last meeting. **John H.** is currently working on a website for Terrific Kids for the Gig Harbor Kiwanis Club website.

TERRIFIC will represent the following achievements:

T=Thoughtful
E=Enthusiastic
R=Respectful
R=Responsible
I=Inclusive
F=Friendly
I=Inquisitive
C=Capable

A Note from our Governor

Dear Fellow Kiwanians

Just one month left in this Kiwanis Administration year.

Let's make this month count!
Let's go out with a bang!
All it will take is ONE NEW MEMBER in EACH CLUB in the PNW and we will be in the PLUS NUMBERS!

I am asking for each club to give one more push, hold a membership drive and end with a POW! Can we do it? Of course we can. The day we count our numbers is September 30th. DO NOT PURGE your roster until October 1st. Here is the reason why...

If you club had 20 members on October 1, 2008 and ended with a net 24 members on September 30, 2009 - then your club qualifies for the NET 25% INCREASE and your club will receive back for your admin fund the Kiwanis International portion of the new member add fee for all your new members during the year. BECAUSE... you qualified on September 30, 2009 with a net 25% or better increase in membership. Can you afford to miss out on that kind of money.

If you bring in a new member during the month of August or September, and that new members gives you the opportunity to reach the 25% - then pay the new member add fee out of your admin account as you will be eligible to receive it back. But remember you must have a net 25% increase.

Many of you are just one or two members away from the 25%.

Thank you for all that you do.
KIWANIS NEXT IS NOW!

Wendy Falkowski

Inspiration

- Sept. 2 – Kathy R.
- Sept. 9 - Sherry M.
- Sept. 16 - Open, any volunteers?
- Sept. 23 - No meeting
- Sept. 30 - Susan H.
- Oct. 7 - Steve B.

Milestones

Happy Anniversary to Sherry & John M. on August 29th!



Happy Birthday to Connie H. on August 30th!



Happy Birthday to Steve B. on September 9th!

Deep Thoughts



Humor for Lexophiles
 (word lovers)

- The dead batteries were given out
- A dentist and a manicurist fought tooth and nail.
- A bicycle can't stand alone; it is two tired.
- A will is a dead giveaway.
- A backward poet writes inverse.
- A chicken crossing the road: poultry in motion.
- With her marriage she got a new name and a dress.
- A grenade fell onto a kitchen floor in France, resulted in linoleum blown apart.

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