

Kiwanis Club of Bremerton Newsletter - May 2017

Officers:

President: Darroll Clark
President Elect: Patti Peterson
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Treasurer: Tim Lavin
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Stephanie Blotzer
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KKids: Beverley Luckey-Short
Builders Club:
Stephanie Blotzer
Key Club: Deann Irish

Bennett Memorial Trustees:

Liz Gross
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Club Website:

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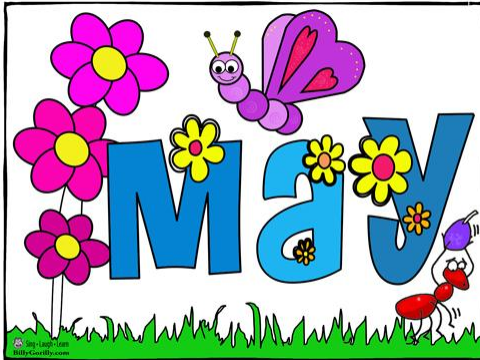
Send information and pictures
of program events, projects,
and socials to
Roger Zegers

Newsletter:

Send club news and event
photos to Patti Peterson

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Kiwanis Club of Bremerton
Administrator – Sunny Wheeler



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People spend so much time
trying to be happy, but what
they really want is peace.

Peace is the destination.
Love is the journey.
Happiness is the side
effect.

Walter H. Kiyabin

Upcoming Meetings & Events

May 4 – Mtg Noon,
Prog: Puget Sound Naval
Museum
May 6 – Dist Council Meeting
May 11 – Mtg Noon,
Prog: Open
May 17 – Board Mtg 6:15 p.m.
May 18 – Mtg Noon,
Prog: Chris & Parade Details
May 20 – Armed Forces Day
Parade
May 25 – Mtg Noon,
Prog: Backstage Tour of Admiral
Theatre

Service Reminders!

(See page 3 for details)

Builders Club Advisor Needed

See info on page 2

Washington Youth Academy

Mock Interviews

May 4th

Letter Carriers Food Drive

May 13th, 12 – 6

Bremerton Foodline

2017 Armed Forces Day

Parade

May 20th, come early for Lions
Pancake breakfast

Kiwanis Park Clean-up

May 27th, 9 – 11

generally held every month on
the 4th Saturday

Kiwanis empowers
communities to
improve the world by
making lasting
differences in the
lives of children.



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Club Program & Project Highlights

SUCCESS Program Information – Beverley Luckey-Short

May brings the end of the SUCCESS program. This month we will be having a Pizza Party. Please join us for food and fun. The proposed dates of the parties are: May 3rd, Armin Jahr, May 10th, West Hills Stem Academy and May 11th View Ridge. Watch your inbox for updates.

BUILDERS Club Program Information – Stephanie Blotzer

Our Builder's Club goal is to continue to build relationships and support each other. Meeting time is currently on Tuesdays of each week from 3 to 4. Please contact Stephanie if you could take the lead in a project. A little prep time and one hour really means a lot to these youth.

KEY Club Program Information – Deann Irish or Darroll Clark

See article or Contact Deann or Darroll to learn more about local events you can support or how to join in helping a great group of kids! They are the energy behind most of our service projects and provide a little lift for all of us when they are part of the equation. See news release for DCON, page

CLUB SATELLITE – *Your Kiwanis Satellite meets once a month after work hours for business professionals who are unable to attend the weekly noon meetings. Satellite Club members are fully engaged members in Kiwanis Club of Bremerton who participate in support of general club projects as well as initiating projects suitable for working on outside of regular club meeting hours. Projects remaining for 2017 will include increasing media awareness of Bremerton Kiwanis, the "Wonderwear Back-To-School" 2017 Project, and a fall Pot Luck for all club members. Mtg: Third Tuesday of the month, location in Career Center BHS (left of the main building entrance) – 6:30 pm. Contact Deann Irish or Patti P. for more information; next meeting 5/16/17.*

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGEI

We welcome your help to chair or join a committee working on a project. See Darroll at the Thursday club meetings to talk about your ideas for club service and to make a donation to the Kiwanis SIGN project. Please watch your newsletter for upcoming service opportunities.

Joining Together for Fun

Another month is upon us and we have some coming events that are the heart of our Kiwanis Club. Remember that your help in organizing and participating in these events is essential to our success. Please mark your calendars and contact any designated lead members for information on how you can help.

Interclub Meetings – Bill Enger/Bud Cole

SEQUIM was the latest road trip for the club with 6 members making their way out to the newest club in our district. Where to next?

Who will be the next member to organize an interclub? How about our friends in Gig Harbor or North Kitsap?

Round Tables – Please consider acting as the organizer/host of a social gathering. Enjoy the fun of gathering for conversation and tall tales! To ensure success, please announce your proposed Round Table at the meeting in the week prior to the date, send email RSVPs, and make table reservations with the restaurant. We look forward to more impromptu times like this to socialize. One of the many suggestions we are working on is to improve member activity in club meetings. One possible solution is to schedule Round Table meetings once a month at a different time like coffee in the early morning. It is up to all of us to make the club meetings dynamic enough for service and business but versatile to engage members. You will receive a survey soon that requests your inputs and discusses possible alternatives to our current schedule.

This month's **Kiwanis Newsletter Trivia Question:** *Kiwanis International tells us that every Kiwanian impacts the lives of how many children? (Hint: check KI website for answer)*

Kiwanis Club of Bremerton – Service Opportunities

Washington Youth Academy – Cadet Mock Interviews

The Mock Interview date for this cadet cycle is on May 4, 2017 from 8:30 in the morning to 3:40 in the afternoon. Interviews will be held at 1207 Carver Street and there is ample parking available. Kiwanis volunteers were able to help the near graduation cadets to sharpen their job interview skills this fall while meeting some great youth who make a difference in so many service projects in our community. Your service is very appreciated and a lunch is provided for those that interview all day. If you can make it and would like to participate in the WYA Mock Interviews during that time frame, please email Anthony Abastilla, Guidance Counselor at anthony.abastilla@mil.wa.gov or phone 360-473-2480. Anthony will be sending reminder emails every few weeks to keep people updated.

Letter Carrier Food Drive

Join your local food bank for this day-long event on May 13 to help sort and box the food donated at home mail boxes all over the county. Bremerton Foodline, in collaboration with St. Vincent DePaul and Salvation Army, welcomes volunteers from noon until 6 p.m. at the Bremerton Foodline site across from Bremerton High School. Lunch and snacks will be provided. Your hands to help will make a big difference.

Armed Forces Day Parade 2017 – Chairperson Chris Funke

The Armed Forces Day parade held in Bremerton is the largest and longest running Armed Forces Day Parade in the nation with an annual attendance of 25,000 – 30,000 people. This year is the 69th year of the event held on May 20th in downtown Bremerton. Bremerton Kiwanis will once again serve as parade marshals. This is an “all hands” event for us and a great chance to bring friends and family to help out. Please wear your vests, hats, and happy faces to show the public what a great group we are! We will have a special program on the parade at our May 18th club meeting.

Here's a website to check out the parade:

<http://www.bremertonchamber.org/pages/ArmedForcesDayParade/>

Pinewood Derby – West Hills Stem Academy – Chairpersons Chris Funke and Bob Morgan

Join the work party and help students make their derby cars on June 6th at the STEM Academy. Fourth graders are eager to get their cars started with a little assistance from the Kiwanis team. Please check with Chris about how you could help and add June 14th for the big race day to your calendar. We will try to get a photo or two for the album.

Bennett Memorial Scholarships

Now is the time for our review of the applicants for this year's scholarships. As the committee does their work, we are excited to know that this effort will benefit local students improving their life opportunities through education. Look here for an announcement about the winning applicant awards in June.

Thanks to Liz Gross, Carol Sue Barker, Darroll Clark, Mike Liebert, and Roger Zeger for their efforts in making the process happen.

We'll Get By With a Little Help From Our Friends...

After considerable deliberation, the Board has agreed that we should postpone, for this year, the Kiwanis Annual Golf Tournament benefiting KRL's “3rd Graders to the Library Program”. Reduced player participation and difficulties in maintaining sponsor support led to this decision. Hopefully, we will be able resolve these issues and resume the presentation of this event in the future.

In the meantime, we must address our ability to continue our support for the KRL program. A few Members have discussed this and propose a solution for this year: Our Club Members would attend a formal dinner at the Admiral Theatre this June and, hopefully, each of us would invite a couple to join us. We project the dinner would price out to somewhere between \$35 and \$50 per person. A short auction-like fundraiser would accompany the event. **If you would be interested in attending with your spouse/friend and inviting a couple to join you, please let Rob Schneider (wslwest@wavecable.com) know.** Rob will report the level of interest to the Board for a final decision.

Photo Album:

Easter Bunny Visits Kiwanis: Our 5th Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Kiwanis Park on April 15th enjoyed just enough sunshine for some 400 kids to have a fun afternoon. Many thanks to the partners at Community of Christ Church at Memorial Lutheran, First Christian Church, Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Bremerton High School Key Club, Kitsap Princesses, Kitsap 4 H with their animals, and Bremerton Foodline for making it a success. Three lucky kids found the golden egg prize coupon and received a wonderful basket of fun things courtesy of the Satellite club and donors Pam and Mark S. Everyone appreciated Sunny and Greg Wheeler who came early to the park to tidy a bit before the event and stayed to coordinate the post event cleanup. Thanks to all the Kiwanis members who were able to help as "Easter Bunny Buddies"!



From left to right, winners of the age 1 to 4 group, ages 5 to 8 group, and 9 to 12 group.



Easter Bunny Buddies before the hunt as the volunteers begin hiding the eggs.

The biggest of 3 table groups busy stuffing eggs.



A part of the lineup for the ages 1 to 4 year group hunt.





Key Club

Service - Our Way of Life



Ten Key Clubbers spent the beginning of their Spring Break in Portland, OR attending the 68th Annual Key Club District Convention (DCON). They joined up with 2,000 students from around the Pacific NW and Alaska to show their Key Club Spirit, learn leadership skills, and make new friends. Friday evening began with a great presenter who encouraged students to get involved and to encourage others along the way. Saturday began with an in-depth presentation on internet safety. Then the students were off to take workshops to help them learn the duties of their upcoming board positions, learn new ways in which to serve others, and ways to better impact their school and community. They closed Saturday night with dancing at the Governor's Ball. DCON is a wonderful opportunity for our students to increase their leadership skills and get even more fired up about service. *BHS Key Club*

NOTE: Kiwanis Club of Bremerton Meeting minutes will be published in the newsletter once they are approved. Check the club website for other information and details of programs, projects, and events.

Club Satellite Meeting for the month of April was cancelled so they could work on the April 27th Pot Luck Social. Next meet will be May 16 at 6:30 in the counseling room of Bremerton High School.

KIWANIS CLUB OF BREMERTON General Membership MEETING April 13, 2017

A regular General Membership Meeting was held on February 23, 2017, at The Source at the Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, Washington. Incidental to the program and discussions, a motion was made to approve the expense for registration for the Blackberry Festival fundraiser booth as follows:

Motion by Rob Schneider seconded by Roger Zeger to approve expenditure of \$1,760.00 in costs for the Blackberry Festival booth including two 10 X 20 foot booth spaces numbered 132-133 (\$830 per space or \$1660 total) and a \$100 fee for electrical service for the booth. Patti Peterson noted that these funds must accompany the application for the registration reservation to be complete.

President Darroll Clark requested a voice vote for the motion which was passed unanimously. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patti Peterson for Bill Enger, Secretary



KIWANIS CLUB OF BREMERTON
BOARD MEETING March 15, 2017

The March 15, 2017, Board of Directors meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Bremerton was held at the United Way Office, Bremerton.

Members present included Rob Schneider, Bill Enger, Roy Rainey, Patti Peterson, Tim Lavin, Bob Morgan, Pam Crowe, Stephanie Blotzer, Bobby Gross and Darroll Clark. Noting a quorum was present President Darroll Clark called the meeting to order.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes from the February 23, 2017, Special Meeting of the Board of Directors were approved as presented. The February monthly report to Kiwanis International was reviewed and approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Tim and Rob presented the Treasurer's reports which were accepted. A motion was approved to reimburse Darroll \$70 for the March 11, 2017, Region Conference expenses incurred by attendees Pam Crowe and Janiece Soriano.

Committee Reports:

The International Convention scheduled for July 13 - July 16, 2017, in Paris. No one from our club plans on attending at this time.

The Pacific Northwest District Convention is scheduled for August 24 - 27, 2017, in Tri-Cities, WA.

Darroll said other clubs generally give a token gift to guest speakers, should we do the same? No action was taken.

Membership - Shannon Turner was recently inducted into the club but has not paid his dues. Darroll will discuss this with him.

Open House - Patti Peterson suggested an open house for prospective new members, no action taken.

Blackberry Festival - Applications for participation in the 2017 Blackberry Festival are due April 1, 2017. The board agreed Patti should go ahead and submit our application requesting the same space as we have had for the past several years.

Easter Egg Hunt - 500 children are expected to participate in Easter Egg Hunt this year. Patti asked that we bring candy so volunteers at Pinewood Manor can package them for this event.

Youth Protection Guidelines - Darroll suggested we prepare policies for both youth and adult protection when we are involved with youth activities. More on this later.

Key Club - T-shirts have been ordered. DCON is scheduled for Portland, OR.

Roger Zegers is to be congratulated for his excellent work on our web site.

New Business:

Tim will ask Pam and Janiece if they have any additional expenses they wish to submit for attendance at the Region Conference.

Golf Tournament - Rob discussed issues with the annual golf tournament; lack of sponsorship participation, sponsor money used for prizes, lack of golfers, etc. We might hold future tournaments at the Kitsap Golf and Country Club where we would hope to draw more sponsors and golfers. In view of these considerations and timing it was agreed we would not hold a tournament this year.

Membership Meeting - Should we hold an evening meeting of all members, perhaps every three or four months? No action taken.

Pinewood Derby - After discussion it was agreed the club would spend up to \$250.00 for pinewood derby cars for the STEM program at West Hills Elementary School.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for April 19, 2017, at the UW Office.

Respectfully submitted, Bill Enger, Secretary