Kiwanis Club of Bremerton Newsletter - April 2018

Officers:

President: Patti Peterson
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2017/18 Board Members:
Stephanie Blotzer
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Roy Rainey
Rob Schneidler
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Advisors:
Builders Club: Currently
planning for Fall 2018

Key Club: Deann Irish & Darroll Clark

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Liz Gross
Carol Sue Barker
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Club Website: bremertonkiwanis.org

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

Newsletter: Send club news and event photos to Patti Peterson

Facebook: Kiwanis Club of Bremerton Administrator – Sunny Wheeler



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<u>Upcoming Meetings &</u> Events

Apr. 5 – Mtg Noon, The Source, "Dr. Kathryn Rahn, Psychiatry Harrison

Apr. 12 – Mtg Noon, The Source,_"Camp Beausite, Claudia Edmondson"

Apr 17 – Satellite Club meeting, 6:45 mtg loc TBD

Apr. 18 – Board Mtg, 6:15 United Way Bldg.

Apr. 19 – Mtg Noon, The Source, TBD

Apr. 26 – Mtg Noon, The Source, TBD

Service Opportunities!

Kiwanis Park Cleanup
Our commitment to our park
is year round; donuts
provided; Contact Sunny for
this month's date.

Volunteers needed? See page 4

Remember that the club programs and fun events start with a member chairperson. Please see Patti to help make our club experience great!



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

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Bremerton Kiwanis Family,

March 31st was a wonderful day, bright with sunshine and lots of kids enjoying the annual Kiwanis Park Easter Egg Hunt. ! hope you were able to be there to see the delighted smiles, princess moments, and live bunnies. This year we learned that we need to separate the age groups more carefully to ensure that older ages in the age group don't stampede the younger children. We also had so many participants that we ran out of some incentive prizes for turning in eggs... more for next year needed! There are a few photos on our Album page including one of the golden ticket basket winners. Enjoy these moments and plan on being a part of the event committee next year. We extend our heartfelt thanks to Sunny Wheeler who worked to organize the event and bring in partners; to Bremerton Foodline for storing the plastic eggs and once again providing some cute stuffed toys for the kids, Kitsap Princesses, 4H Bunnies, Community of Christ Church, First Christian Church, Our Saviour's Church and of course our Kiwanis and Key Club volunteers. It is working together to create a positive neighborhood event that works to improve our community for children.

Here are some additional Kiwanis moments to reflect on. We had some good meeting programs and visiting within the club regular meetings that always makes for a great day. There was the **March 4**th **Satellite Club** Food Drive to benefit Bremerton Foodline at the west side Safeway store from 10 until 2. **March 11**th we met for our annual brunch at **CI Shenanigans**; thanks to Bud Cole for his organizational skills and patience with the payments. We joined in the fun of **St. Patrick's Day Parade** on **March 17**th in downtown Bremerton with a sweet treat fundraiser to benefit KCCP. Thank you to Teresa Bryant for the idea and the use of her office entry as the bake sale site. She also provided some great stickers as a treat for children. The hit of the day were the Bella Bella cupcakes offered for a donation to our jar. Left over cupcakes became treats at the egg stuffing that evening and for the Salvation Army's shelter residents that night (thanks to Janiece S. or delivering those). A \$60.53 check was sent to help with the good work at children's cancer treatment centers in the Pacific Northwest on behalf of the club. Please check out a few photos on the Album page.

What great things can be accomplished if we all come together to make a difference? April is here and May is rapidly approaching meaning more service projects and programs to enjoy. Watch for announcements about the Pinewood Derby preparation and race to be held at the STEM Academy. Maybe we will even have some club cars in a special race? Then there's the Armed Forces Day Parade. Contact Chris Funke if you are interested in providing your service.

We hope that you, your family and friends are planning to join in. This is the kind of fun that celebrates being a member of Kiwanis. **Thank you for your help for the children and our community!** Let's continue to reach out to others and be the example for what makes our world better!

Patti Peterson, President



April Trivia Challenge:

Can you name the four levels of SLP participation that Kiwanis Clubs support? *Email Patti with your answer and we will put you in the drawing for a prize at the Arpil 12th meeting*

March Trivia question answer:

"a "Flugtag' is a German term meaning "flight days". Nashville Kiwanians formed a team, created a skit and winged contraption and "flew" off a 30 foot high platform. This club competed against other teams to raise awareness of their club mission and contributions. Editor: I am sure glad we aren't doing any flight stuff!

Inspirational Quotes of the Month:

"When you learn, teach. When you get, give". Maya Angelou

"It's easier to build strong children than to repair broken men". Frederick Douglas.

A Little Humor for the Month:

"If not for camping, the world would be full of malnourished mosquitoes."

"I've reached the age when happy hour is a nap."

Club Program & Project Highlights

Our schools are just taking their spring break and working on student led parent-teacher meetings bringing half days. Remember to keep an eye for kids in your neighborhood. We will start planning SLP activities support for the next school year. Can you help? <u>Please notify Patti if you have an idea for service leadership at any level</u>

Elementary Level Programs -

We currently have no on-going programs at this level. If you have free time during the day, perhaps you can help us work on a new program site.

<u>BUILDERS Club Program Information</u> – We are working on a possible new club at the STEM Academy at West Hills. Builder's Clubs require cooperation with the faculty staff and Kiwanis volunteers to support the opportunity.

KEY Club Program Information – Bremerton High School Key Club is all about teens learning a service way of life. March was the big Key Club event, DCON or District Convention. Thanks to Darroll we have had some Key clubbers talk about their experiences during our regular meeting news and business. We are grateful for the leadership of committed Kiwanis members to our Key Club and really impressed by the initiative and focus of the youth. As the seniors look forward to moving on to the next step in their journey, we wish them success and joy!



<u>Kiwanis Club of Bremerton – Service Opportunities</u>

We have these upcoming opportunities. Please remember to report our service hours to Bill Enger or Patti. Volunteers are needed throughout our community. Submit your suggestions for service opportunities via email to Patti.

Kitsap Water Festival: This event to be held **April 17 at the Kitsap County Fairgrounds** provides a hands-on day filled with educational activities regarding conservation and protecting natural resources for 3rd and 4th graders in our county. You can volunteer by contacting their Volunteer Coordinator <u>Kimberly.jones@kitsappublichealth.org</u> or sign up by visiting <u>www.kpudorg.waterfestival/volunteer.php</u>. A general level sponsorship donation in the name of our club has been made; be sure to wear your vest.

Washington Youth Academy Mock Interviews: May 2 (ask Patti for details)

Joining Together for Fun

The heart of our Kiwanis Club is our time together making new memories and serving. Your help in organizing and participating in these events is essential to our success. Mark your calendars.

<u>CLUB SATELLITE</u> – This extension of our club meets once a month after work hours for those who are unable to attend the weekly noon meetings. **Next mtg. April 17, location TBA** – 6:45 pm. <u>Contact Deann Irish for more information</u>;

<u>Interclub Meetings</u> – An interclub is our way to meet fellow Kiwanians for a meeting on their turf. Four members are needed to count as an official interclub get together. We have Kiwanis friends throughout Kitsap County, Gig Harbor, Belfair and beyond. 4 members required. **Interclub meeting visits are usually scheduled at regular meetings and coordinated with the hosting club.**

Round Tables – A round table is a social event where members meet for conversation and perhaps a meal along with conversation and tall tales! If you would like to hold a Round Table social event, please announce your proposed Round Table at least two weeks early or at the meeting in the week prior to the date, request a "News Flash" from your newsletter editor, request email RSVPs, and make table reservations with the restaurant. We look forward to more impromptu times like this to socialize.



Club Business and Meeting Minutes

For minutes copies of regular meetings (where taken), Board meetings, and Club Satellite's most recent meeting, please email President Patti P.

Photo Album:



To see some of your photos of Kiwanis events here, submit the photos digitally to Patti P. and Roger Z. so they can be included on the website and in the newsletter.

Thanks for sharing

Preparing those Egg Hunt treat bags, treat eggs, and award baskets took a lot of volunteer hours including the Satellite Club, Community of Christ Church volunteers ant Club Volunteers. This is a shot of some of the last minute work.

Easter Egg Hunt Golden Ticket Winner Ella H. in the 4 to 8 Age Group. Other winning youth included Maleah T. in the ages 1 through 3 and Joey T. in the Above 8 group.



St. Patricks's Day Kiwanis Leprechauns: Teresa, Bob, Pam, Janiece, and Mary (not shown Kate Greg, Sunny and Patti.



Event Chairperson Sunny getting in a little line dancing before the egg hunt starts.

2018 Shenanigans Brunch, Group photo. Thanks Bud for your coordination!

