Kiwanis Club of Bremerton Newsletter – March 2020

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President: Liz Gross
President Elect: Kate Wilson
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Liz Gross
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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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Upcoming Meetings & Events

Mar. 5 – RED VEST Mtg noon, The Source; Program: Surprise funny business – Liz & Kate.

Mar. 12 –. Mtg noon, The Source; Program: (don't forget to wear some green).
Mar. 19–Mtg, noon, The Source, Program: TBD".
Mar. 20 – Key Club DCON sendoff; join us at 9 a.m. as they board the bus to Portland and give them a cheer!

Mar. 24 - Satellite Club, 5:00 p.m. Bremerton Foodline; Easter Basket Prep Mar. 26 - Mtg noon, The Source; ProgramTBD".

Apr. 15 - Board Meeting, The Source 5:30 NEW DATE

*** Mark your calendar now for these coming club events so you can join in.

Service Opportunities!

<u>Kiwanis Park Cleanup</u>
March 28 9 a.m. Contact Sunny
to RSVP or for more information

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A copy of "Kiwanis IS A Verb" is available for your reading pleasure. Please ask to see this at a regular meeting.

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

From Your President - Liz Gross

It's almost spring and I am grateful for the coming warmth, future sunny skies, and other blessings that bring us hope and joy. Please take the time to update your member information for us by completing the form on the last page or come to a meeting to fill it out. This information is not shared ourside of Kiwanis but will help us to contact you when needed. Thanks!

As we hear the details about the spread of the Corona virus, I urge you all to take suitable precautions to avoid exposure. Please know that your officers and board will send advanced notice of any needed cancellations. Let us all keep calm and look to our health officials to keep us advised on what to do.

Our Governor Melanie Bozak noted in a recent email that there are many of our youth clubs in the state that do not have a club sponsor. I am grateful for the enthusiasm and energy of our Key Club youth and particularly proud of their continued service. I hope you will join a few of us on Friday March 20 at 9:00 a.m. to give them a great sendoff to the Portland DCON event.

I would like you all to welcome our newest member Dawn Clay when you are at the next meeting. She is already planning on participating in our important service events. At the same time, I must report that our member Denise Kennedy is moving to Florida; her last day at work was Friday Feb.28. We wish her safe travels and finding another Kiwanis family in her new home.

Membership is an important focus and I am asking you to mention membership in our awesome Kiwanis club to someone new and invite them to belong. We can always use more members to serve in our community.

Liz

(New feature) A calendar of important dates and events for you: This new feature will provide a brief listing of events and dates where you can support our community partners. Enjoy!

March 19 - Holly Ridge 4-6 p.m. Meet the new Executive Director.

April 14 8 -3 <u>Fairground</u>s, **Kitsap Water Festival**., a learning experience for 3rd and 4th graders. To volunteer contact Kimberly Jones 360-728-2277.

April 17, Marvin Williams Center, Lifting Spirits a BBQ Bash with beer and wine to benefit United Way charities. Contact UW office for information.

April 23 Kiwanis Division Council (location to be announced).

April 23 Admiral Theatre 5:30 -8, **Roxanne Bryson's Retirement event**. RSVPs required by April 4 to Holly Ridge.

May 9 Port Townsend Charities Golf Tournament; contact Port Townsend Kiwanis for more information.

Got time to learn more about Kiwanis? Go to <u>www.kiwnaisone.org/</u> webinars are available for you to peruse and learn more.

Trivia question:

February question answer: What are the 3 "disconnects" identified in the Jan/Feb 2020 "Executive Perspective"? Hint: it's all about welcoming and reaching out to sustain membership (see page 4) From Sam Soderstrom, Kiwanis Executive Director: 1) Failing to make guests feel welcome. 2) When a member is absent for two or more meetings without any club follow-up. 3) When a club Officer, especially a president, completes a successful year but nobody asks them to take a division or district role."

<u>March question:</u> The March issue of the Kiwanis magazine suggested a way to celebrate your club. Since our club by leaving a legacy. What anniversary is coming up for the Kiwanis Club of Bremerton and what kind of legacy projects with high impact has our club done?

Inspirational Quotes of the Month:

"Never yet was a springtime when the buds forgot to bloom"."

Margaret Elizabeth Sangster"

"When one is a stranger to oneself then one is a stranger to others also."."

Anne Morrow Lindbregh

"Should haves solve nothing. It's the next thing to happen that needs thinking about."

Alexandra Ripley

A Little Humor for the Month:

"Every time my car passes a junkyard, it gets homesick.".

"Why is it someone tells you there are one billion stars in the universe, you believe them, but if they tell you a wall has wet paint, you have to touch it to be sure?"

A man fell asleep on the couch while watching American football on TV. The next morning his wife woke him up saying, "it's twenty to seven,". He asked, "In whose favor?"..

"Today, children of six seems to know all the questions and 16 they know all the answers."

"Why is lemon juice made with artificial flavor and dishwashing liquid made with real lemons?"

Club Program & Project Highlights

We've been working on these:

- 1) Recycling: Your household long term plan can be a great example to your neighbors and help save our environment for the children in our community. Please see Patti at meetings to get information on the next recycling focus. For the months of March and April we will be collecting used dental health items like old toothbrushes, floss containers, and used toothpaste tubes with caps. In May you can bring empty plastic medication containers (label removed with cap included). See Patti P. for more information. One of the most important gifts we can give our children is an improved environment!
- 2) <u>Kiwanis Park Easter Egg Hunt 2020:</u> April 11 is just around the corner and Chairperson Sunny W. has already lined up some of the details for this much-loved event. She's got the 4H animals, bicycles for Golden Egg prizes (Thanks to Connie and Salvation Army), smaller stuffed toys to trade for those plastic eggs when the event is over (Thanks to Brandie and Kim at Bremerton Foodline), and initial discussions with two local churches to fill those eggs with candy (your help will be needed). <u>Please mark your calendars now for Saturday April 11th and plan on being there for the fun! Watch for a news blast on the date for stuffing all those eggs!</u>
- **Armed Forces Day Parade:** Don't forget to set aside the 16th of May as our club joins in the Armed Forces Day parade. Get your vest all spruced up and wear those walking shoes. We will have our traditional breakfast with the Lions and head out to our assignments. Our club is well known for being the coordinators of the floats and groups as they line up for the parade. Please invite any family and friends to help because it takes a lot of folks to get this done. See Chairperson Chris Funke for information.

Kiwanis Club of Bremerton – Service Opportunities for March and beyond

Volunteers are needed throughout our community. We have these upcoming opportunities. Please remember to report your service hours to Patti P.

- 1) Looking for a place to volunteer a few hours? May we suggest Bremerton Backpack Brigade where you can help pack those backpacks with food for a hungry child for the weekend; see Patti for information on days and volunteer locations. Your commitment of support with service really makes a difference. It's not as much about the check, it's about your help with service.
- 2) Kiwanis Park Cleanup: March 28. Contact Sunny W. for the next date and bring your gloves.
- 3) <u>Bremerton School District Volunteers:</u> Just a reminder that your local schools need volunteers. You will need to complete a volunteer application for the school district that is available online through their website and a background check through Kiwanis. Kiwanis mandatory training "Youth Protection Guidelines" can be completed online on line through the Kiwanis website. If you are interested, please check with the school you want to volunteer at or ask for suggestions from our educator club members, Allyson R., Denise Kennedy, Stephanie B., and Deann I.

What service projects are you aware of that may need volunteers? Please contact an officer or board member to submit suggestions that can be approved for our club service.

<u>Service Leadership Programs (SLP) activities for 2019/2020</u>: We are committed to organizing and planning service club support for our schools. Can you help? <u>Please notify Patti or Liz if you have an idea for service leadership at any level;</u>

<u>Key Club News:</u> Advisors Deann I. and Darroll C. reported on the excitement building as the members prepare for the District Convention or DCON to be held in Portland, Oregon in March. The Key Club calendar year goes from April to April to accommodate the school year and sustaining the energy is built by the DCON experience. Congratulations to **2020/2021** <u>Lt. Governor Elect is Bremerton High's own Francisco Dojenia.</u>

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. Read your newsletter and Eblasts so you can join in the fun.

<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. We will meet March 24 to start** preparing the Easter Egg Hunt baskets prizes and other calendar planning. We will meet at the Bremerton Foodline at 5:00 p.m.

<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. **Interclub meeting visits are usually scheduled at regular meetings and coordinated with the hosting club.**

Round Tables – Members can enjoy a social time outside our regular or more formal meetings in a Round Table. Are you willing to be a host to coordinate the location? Let us know at the regular meetings.

Club Business and Meeting Minutes

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

Photo Album:



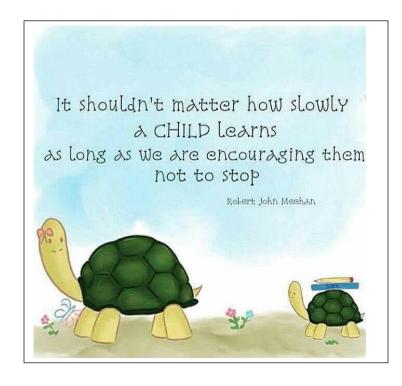
To see some of your photos of Kiwanis events here, submit the photos digitally to Patti P. and Roger Z. so they can be included on the website and in the newsletter.

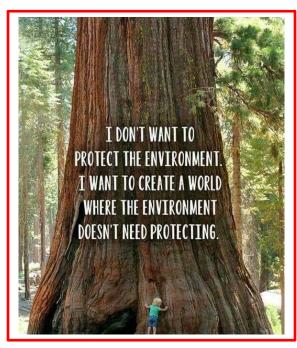
Thanks for sharing

Spring primroses for our February Valentines meeting!

Installation of new member Dawn Clay on Feb/27. She is joined by Bev Short conducting the event and co-sponsors Nita Hartley and Kate Wilson.







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Business Address (if applicable):	
Committee Preference: (Circle applicable): Club Administration, Club Programs, Fundraiser, Community Service Project, Membership.	
<u>Special Events:</u> Easter Egg Hunt, Armed Forces Day Parade, Annual Picnic, Back-To-School, Golf Tournament, School Advisor, Blackberry Festival	
I would like to see our club (enter activity and continue description on back if needed.	
Return to Secretary at meting or mail in to club at PO Box 12, Bremerton, WA 98337)	

