

Kiwanis Club of Bremerton Newsletter – September 2022

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What's Happening?

School has started and we are asking you to be particularly careful to watch for kids on their way. Your coming year's officers and board are working to build project plans and a budget. Yay Kiwanis! Look for membership renewal separately.

See the album here with lots of pics from the Blackberry Festival to insert. Thank you to all the photos you send, Those Kiwanis family memories are so precious.

Patti P.

Upcoming Meetings & Events

We have resumed in-person meetings at "The Source" in the Admiral Theater. Meetings for each month are currently scheduled for the 2nd and 4th Thursdays, a social time at 12:15 and the meeting with program at 12:30 p.m. Email announcements will be sent.

Kiwanis Calendar: Check off the dates on this list so you don't miss any of our Kiwanis meetings or events.

Sep. 8: Regular Meeting at The Source. Program: Dave Rice on AVID at Bremerton High School & Blackberry Festival wrap-up.

Sep. 8: Interclub with BHS Key Club for Rootbeer Float treats and kick off for their year.

Sep. 22: Kiwanis Park, luncheon in the park. See email announcement for more info.

Oct. 6: Bi-weekly meeting, at the Source, Red Vest Day. See email for details. First meeting with new Prez!

Oct. 22: Bi-weekly meeting, at the Source, See email for details

**EVERY DAY CAN BE
A GREAT DAY!!**



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

From Your President:

Enjoying the extended summer daze (although not the smoky haze) and hope you are too, Bremerton Kiwanis. Thank you again to all of you who worked the Blackberry Festival. It does my heart good to have seen so many of you there. Special HUGE shout out to Liz for all of the tremendous hard work she put into this year and the last to ensure we had anything to sell. Special HUGE shout out to Patti for "taking the Blackberry Festival Bull by the horns" and running with it. AND BIG thanks to Sunny and Chris and Rob for "greasing the slide to win". Thank you to Aly and Chris for having the Firefighters there to help set up and tear down. THANK YOU EVERYONE! Looking forward to our installation for the upcoming 2022-2023 year and seeing as many of you as possible. So humbled to be a part of a wonderful group of Kiwanians. This year we are getting going again and I see a lot of good projects and times in our future. I used to believe that our kids and community needed us more during lockdown--- I believe that the most important time for us to contribute is always NOW... NOW....

Cheers,

Kate Wilson

Bremerton High School Key Club: A great shoutout to the return of the Key Clubbers to our Blackberry Festival booth. They were amazing with such enthusiasm and energy it made our booth the talk of the boardwalk. Club advisors, Deann Irish and Darroll Clark, invited us for an interclub for the first meeting on Sept. 8, We brought the ice cream and rootbeer and dished up the sweet treats to the more than 50 kids who were there renewing or turning in their club application for the coming school year. Thanks to our members, Deann I., Sunny W., Darroll C. and Patti P. who schlepped the supplies and dished up the floats while sharing conversation with the students. Yay KEY Club.

Volunteer Opportunities: If you can squeeze in a few volunteer hours there are opportunities galore. Consider becoming an AVID mentor volunteer (only 9 one hour sessions, one per month with students at the high school. Dave Rice, retired Rotarian and coordinator explained some details at the Sept. 8 meeting. Contact Aly for his email. Our partner agency Bremerton Backpack Brigade has started a "soft" launch for the year and can always use one or two hours of assistance. Myra was kind enough to help out in the BBF booth ... thanks Myra! Ask Patti P. for contact information if you are already not linked to them on Facebook. Your Bremerton food banks/food pantries Bremerton Foodline or St. Vincent DePaul can also use some volunteer help; both are quietly making a big difference particularly with the inflated prices of food right now.

Inspirational Quotes of the Month: *This month's inspirational quotes come from some philosophers and contemporary people to give us food for thought...*

"I realize you can't change the whole world, but you can just do it in simple small actions."

Margaret Awuor Owuor, Nat. Geo Ecologist

"A mature person is one who does not think only in absolutes, who is able to be objective even when deeply stirred emotionally, who has learned that there is both good and bad in all people and in all things, and who walks humbly and deals charitably with the circumstances of life, knowing that in this world no one is all knowing and therefore all of us need both love and charity."

Eleanor Roosevelt

Just do right. Right may not be expedient, it may not be profitable, but it will satisfy your soul. It brings you the kind of protection that bodyguards can't give you."

Maya Angelou

A Little Humor for your day! . SMILE, IT'S FREE AND MAKES YOU AND OTHERS FEEL BETTER! (Thanks to a few friends for some "Dad" jokes and humorous items).

"A witch published a book of potion recipes, but it was useless. She forgot to spell check."

"What goes trot dash-trot-dash-dash? Horse code."

"Did you hear that the fire-eater got engaged? He ran into an old flame."

"If you cross a hyena and a parrot, you'll have an animal that laughs and then asks himself what's so funny!"

Kiwanis Club Projects:

It's that time again. Time to check our budget and find the needs in our community. *What projects would you like to see the club work on this next year?* Perhaps you have gotten a great idea that we haven't done before or you are aware of a specific need in our community that is not being fully met. Contact Aly via email or have a conversation at meetings. We will also need your help for programs at meetings; this last year we had some fun new. When we have programs planned like that, we can invite potential new members too.

What does our calendar have in store for us?

We have a brief lull before we have the ceremony to induct our New President Aly Rotter and a 2022-2023 membership drive to work on immediately. You will be mailed information for renewing this coming week so look in the mail and attend a meeting to turn it in and pay. A split payment option is available. As our community stands back up after this whole pandemic thing, there are challenges that we can help meet.

Please help to make this 101st year a new beginning to the promise of service in our Kiwanis family.

Looking back brings fond memories of the service and fun our club has enjoyed. The faces change, but we still persevere in service to our community and especially to the children of Bremerton!

Celebrating 100 years in our community!

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

Freezer and tent poles being moved onto boardwalk for Blackberry Festival 2022. It's a lot of work to get that done. See follow on photos.

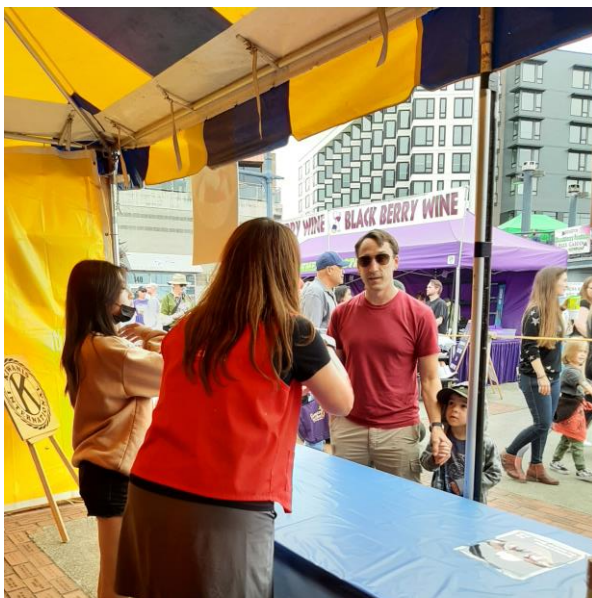




And the big blue and yellow tent begins to rise. Thank you to the firefighters for providing muscle to help our stalwart volunteers.



Do you recognize these hard working members? Thank you Chris F. for coordination, Rob S. for being the runner to replenish our supplies, and the many who helped out to make a hard job easier



Member Teresa B. and a Key Clubber making that first contact with a customer and getting his order. Teresa also brought some snacks for volunteers including fizzy blackberry drinks and some individually packaged blackberry hand pies.



Customers checking out our booth with it's revised banner and signage. They all inquired about those pies...we miss them too!

To the right, Key Club scoopers got it just right for the perfect sundae. YUM!!!

Below, Roger Z. greeting a customer and acting as cashier.

We're back and it's wonderful!



We miss our friends. *Below*, see archive photo of Bud Cole and Janiece Soriano at the 2018 Blackberry Festival



With my fellow Kiwanian Bud selling BlackBerry pies or slices of pie with vanilla or BlackBerry swirl ice cream 🍇

attending Bremerton Blackberry Festival at Bremerton Boardwalk Waterfront.





Above, Patti P. and Sunny W. joining with Darroll C. and Deann I. to dish up some rootbeer floats for the first Key Club meeting of this school year. We served nearly 50 kids renewing or applying for membership! GO KEY CLUB!!!

Life is meant

to be more than dreams and aspirations and busy days. Life is meant to be noticed, to be absorbed, to be treasured. Notice when the sun catches the glass of your window, when the birds call out in the trees, when the waves crash into the shore. More than that, notice the person who lets you cut in line, the delivery driver who asks about your day, the friend who calls to see how you are, the wish you made late at night upon the brightest star. Life is meant to be noticed, not wasted away.

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9 REASONS TO EAT MORE **VEGETABLES** organic



Asparagus contains many anti-inflammatory nutrients.



Beets promote detoxification of the liver.



Broccoli helps strengthen the immune system.



Carrots can improve the appearance of skin, hair and nails.



Cucumbers are ultra-hydrating and more nutritious than water.



Kale contains more calcium per calorie than milk.



Lettuce is high in fiber helping to clean the digestive tract.



Spinach improves mental function by helping to prevent oxidation of the brain.



Tomatoes lycopene content helps clear damaging free radicals that can harm our cells.