

Kiwanis Club of Bremerton Newsletter – January 2023

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Secretary: Patti Peterson
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Chris Funke
Linda Steussi
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Darroll Clark

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Club Website:
bremertonkiwanis.org

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

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Send club news and event
photos to Patti Peterson

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Kiwanis Club of Bremerton
Administrator – Aly Rotter

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What's Happening?

Our rescheduled holiday party was very well attended with good food, friends, and music. We missed those who could not make it and hope to see them at the January meetings. Please check out the photo album for a surprise award to a club member and an announcement about the results of the Bellringing challenge. Check out the calendar for coming events and plan to participate. What can we do to make a difference?

Upcoming Meetings & Events

In-person meetings at "The Source" in the Admiral Theater. Two meetings for each month are scheduled for the 2nd and 4th Thursdays, a social lunch time at 12:00 and the meeting at 12:30 p.m. Email announcements.

Kiwanis Calendar:

Jan. 12: *First meeting of the new year. Red Vest meeting. Program Meet and greet with the current Key Club Lt. Governor. See email for details!*

Jan. 26: *Program is Chris Swanson of the Bremerton School District discussing scholarship perspectives and current needs.. See email for details!*

Feb 9: *Red Vest meeting. Program TBD. See email for details.*

Feb. 23: *Regular club meeting. Program YBD. See email for details.*

Mar. 9: *Red Vest Meeting. See email for details.*

Mar. 18: *Golden Ball Tournament. Come see some great local youth basketball players and help serve cake and ice cream.*



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the world by making
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From Your President:

Note, As this newsletter was assembled our fearless leader was returning from a friend's wedding in Arizona. It must have been quite an adventure finding a way to drive to the event when the great airlines flight cancelation for the holidays threatened to keep her family away. She was able to get a plane ride home and we will see her soon. Thanks for the game sheet she left for our holiday party and welcome home Aly and family. Liz led the meeting for the holiday party and got to announce two awards. 1st with the joint announcement with Connie Baker that we won the Bellringing challenge again this year with more than \$5000 taken in. Liz also made the announcement for the Kiwanian of the Year Award for the 2021-2022. See the photo album and enjoy the photos of Chris Funke receiving this well-deserved award.

Bremerton High School Key Club: Key Club fundraisers sales put a little more money in the kitty for the District Convention this spring. Thanks to each person who bought a wreath or centerpiece and especially thanks to Club advisors, Deann Irish and Darroll Clark, who circulated the sales handout and collected orders while planning on pickup/deliveries. They also provided some great Christmas caroling and help for our bellringing effort. We look forward to meeting with the current Lt. Governor of our district Key Club on January 12 and hear the news about their plans.

Service Opportunities: If the weather permits, consider joining our community agencies that could use a few volunteer hours such as **Bremerton Backpack Brigade, Bremerton Foodline, Salvation Army, Kid Vantage** (formerly Eastside Baby Corner Bremerton), or your favorite local charity

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

"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 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

"The most beautiful thing we can experience is the mysterious. It is the source of all true art and science."

Albert Einstein

Kiwanis Pacific Northwest 2022-2023

Together We Can



**Mid-Winter Conference Feb. 17-19, Portland Ore. See information at
new PNW website <https://k22.site.kiwanis.org>**

Nurture the Future

Kiwanis Convention 2023, Minneapolis

Go to ["kiwanis.org/convention"](https://kiwanis.org/convention)

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).

"Why was the astronaut late for school? He forgot his launch box and had to go back home for it."

"They may look distant on a map but Ireland is just one C away from Iceland."

"What happens when a computer gets new shoes? It's rebooted."

"Are there many skunks around? No, they are phew and far between."

Kiwanis Club Projects:

Liz G. is the person to see to sign-up to arrange a meeting program. Please bring any suggestions you have for projects for the club. Upcoming projects on the calendar include the March February 18th Golden Ball (Stan Warden) Basketball Tournament. Our traditional post tournament celebration with ice cream and cake and a presentation of T-shirts are planned. Watch for email with further details or contact Chris Funke to volunteer.

Membership 2022/2023: As our community moves forward there are challenges that we can help meet. If we recruit more members, we can do more. Ask Patti P. for a membership kit or just bring the person to a meeting and they can see what they are missing.

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 101 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!

Bellringing Photos for your enjoyment!

Right – Connie B. and Kate W. greeting donors at the Grocery entrance.

Below Left – Bill Enger and Key Club singers at the Main entrance.

Below Right – Team Leader Kim B.





**Right – Kim B. with Sunny and Greg W. at the grocery entrance/
Below Left – Bev L. and Roy R. with a large Key Club Contingent at the Main entrance.
Below Right – Princesses assisting Greg and Sunny W.**





**Left – Chris, Tim, Greg and Rob
at the garden entrance.
Bottom Left- Deann I and Key
Club caroling at Main entrance.
Bottom Right – Linda S. and
Patti P. at Grocery entrance**



**Right – Holiday Luncheon
gathering Dec. 29
Bottom Left- Liz G. Leading the
meeting .
Bottom Right – Greg H.
providing musical**





**Liz G. and Connie B. making the big announcement of the results of the annual Bellringing Challenge. Those smiles are the result of hearing that the big winner with more than \$5000 for their day was the
(drumroll please)
Kiwanis Club of Bremerton!
You did it! A huge thanks to Kim B. who kept us informed and came around to check on us the whole day.**

Liz G. cleverly invited Chris up to help her lift the Kiwanian of the Year award trophy up to be seen and then carefully detailed the Many tasks that led to the selection for the 2021-2022 year. Those attending quickly realized that member was Chris himself. A well-deserved award for a person who contributes so much to keep many of our activities and projects on-going as well as jumping in to gather a team of volunteers to help. CONGRATULATIONS TO CHRIS ON HIS RECOGNITION.

