

Kiwanis Club of Bremerton Newsletter – July 2023

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Kiwanis Club of Bremerton
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What's Happening?

July is here and the festivities for Independence Day got an early start in Kitsap County. Our recognition picnic with BHS Key Club in June was a lot of fun.

School is out now, so we ask that you remember to watch for kids as they enjoy the summer. Please see inside for details and mark your calendar for the events coming up. We hope your garden is growing well!

Patti

Upcoming Meetings & Events

In-person meetings at "The Source" in the Admiral Theatre. Two meetings each month are scheduled for the 2nd and 4th Thursdays (*social lunch time at 12:00 pm and the meeting at 12:30 pm*).

Kiwanis Calendar:

Jul 13: *Red Vest Meeting. Elections and author Jennifer Nielsen. Catered lunch. See email for details.*

Jul 24: *Kiwanis Park Cleanup. See Sunny for details.*

Jul 27: *Club Meeting with Kitsap Sun Editor David Nelson. BYOL! See email for details.*

Aug 10: *Annual Club Picnic at Zegers' home. Watch your email for details. Carpooling encouraged.*

Aug. 24: *Club Meeting. Program TBD/ See email for details.*

PNW Fall Conference: *Aug. 17-20 Portland, OR. See Patti to help with our Cork Sculpture entry.*



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From Your President:

Greetings fellow Kiwanians!

Made it through the end of school whirlwind- phew...so many activities and events with my own senior graduating in addition to celebrating all the other seniors, including our very own Key Clubbers! Thanks to those that made it to the picnic in the park to celebrate the students that were able to join. While not many graduating seniors were able to attend, it was encouraging and exciting to see the energy and enthusiasm from the juniors and sophomores moving up to seniors and juniors- should be an exciting year of service and support! The summer heat is here, along with longer days with more time to enjoy the outdoors (when it's cool enough!) and all the beauty and fun that our county/community has to offer. I hope to see some of you out and about at a community market, festival, concert, etc. We have a couple of great programs coming up this month as well as elections. I hope that as you read this and contemplate your involvement in the club, you consider your role in helping our club continue to grow and stand out as strong supporters of children in our community- please consider a leadership role when given the chance!

Cheers!

Aly

Bremerton High School Key Club: As school closes for the summer, the Key Club group will not be meeting. Given that the club is not participating in the Blackberry Festival this year, what kind of events can we plan for that could include them? Please enjoy the photos from the Key Club Picnic in the album.

Service Opportunities: Please remember the Kiwanis Park cleanup the 4th Saturday of each month; July 22nd is on the calendar. Please contact Sunny W. for information and details.

Also consider joining community agencies and schools that could use a few volunteer hours such as Food Pantries at **Bremerton Foodline** or **St. Vincent DePaul, Meals on Wheels, Kid Vantage** (formerly Eastside Baby Corner Bremerton), or your favorite local charity.

While we are mentioning volunteering, start now to consider being a lunch pal volunteer at one of the Bremerton Elementary schools. We have a special connection with the STEM Academy team and they would love to have your time for a day or two a month. You will get to enjoy lunch with some great kids and listen to their adventure stories! Photos from this year's Pinewood Derby are in the album along with a picture of Tom Hornburg receiving our certificate of recognition for this great program for the 4th graders. Those club members and parents who attended noted that the kids all seemed to cheer every racer on and celebrate their participation.

Upcoming community-wide events: Looking for things to do in Bremerton? **First Friday** downtown events each month and **Bremerton Wine Festival Aug. 5th**.

Please share your experiences volunteering, it makes for some great news!

Kiwanis Calendar Events: **Pacific Northwest Kiwanis Summer Convention** Portland Oregon, Holiday Inn Columbia River Aug. 17 – 20. Our delegate will be escorting our sculpture project.

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

"You can make more friends by becoming interested in other people than you can by trying to get other people interested in you."

Dale Carnegie

“Stand for something or you will fall for anything.”

Rosa Parks

“Don’t explain your philosophy. Embody it.”

Epictetus

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

“A scientist wanted to clone a deer. So he brought a doe-it-yourself kit.”

Ned: “I saw a doctor today about my poor memory.”

Ted: “What did he do?”

Ned: “Made me pay in advance.”

“The chocolate lover moved to Canada. She heard it was full of mousse!”

“Where do you keep a wild squash? In the zoo-chini.”

Kiwanis Club Projects:

Liz G. is the person to see to sign-up to arrange a meeting program or act as the host coordinator for a meeting with catered lunch. If you have some ideas, please attend a meeting or contact an officer to discuss.

Wine Cork Sculpture Contest 2023: There is an opportunity for us to shine with a sculpture we create from wine corks at the PNW Convention. Join Patti P. to create our entry in the Wine Cork Sculpture contest. We have the wine corks and potential designs. Let’s have a little fun and maybe earn bragging rights by making our entry unbeatable... maybe some amateur work or a motorized feature. A club representative will attend the PNW Summer convention to deliver our masterpiece. See samples on PNW website.

Interclub Meetings: An interclub is our way to meet fellow Kiwanians for a meeting on their turf. Interclub meeting visits are usually scheduled at our regular meetings and coordinated with the hosting club. Ask for members who want to join you and be the leader for an Interclub.

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.

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!

Memories of Days Gone By!
Do you recognize any of these club members or the occasion for this photo.
Photos provided by Charlie Cole for the club.



Left – a food drive. Charlie is the person second from the right. Can you help name the others in this photo?

Charlie Cole provided this photo of the recent donation of Bud Cole's books to the Port Orchard Library. He was a person who loved to research a wide variety of subjects and his personal library had some wonderful books. Sharing with the public library put some out-of-print books on the shelves for local readers and provided a source of income when excess books are sold. Sadly, the receiving librarian noted that as the digital books take over, this may be one of the last private collections they will receive.



Presenting a Certificate of Recognition to Tom Hornburg for 9 years of the Pinewood Derby program for 4th graders at the STEM Academy. Thanks Tom for letting us partner in this much love program.



Key Club Recognition Picnic June 22, 2023

