

Kiwanis Club of Bremerton Newsletter - July 2017

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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
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“Courage is resistance to fear, mastery of fear, not absence of fear”

Mark Twain

“I have a lot of things to prove to myself. One is that I can live my life fearlessly”

Oprah Winfrey

Upcoming Meetings & Events

(hostess – Sunny Wheeler)
Note: As we went to press Sunny was still lining up speakers around a theme of the housing crisis.

July 6 – Mtg Noon, Fundraiser Updates

July 13 – Mtg Noon, Randy Spitzer on Micro Homes

July 18 – Satellite Club Mtg.

July 19 – Board Mtg 6:15 p.m.

July 20 – Mtg Noon, Jenny Duff Housing Levy

July 27 – Mtg Noon, Making Balloon animals w/ Sandy

Other Important Dates

July 1 – Division Council Meeting, Haselwood YMCA, Silverdale

July 13-16 Kiwanis International Convention, Paris, France

August 24-27 PNW District Convention, Kennewick

Service Opportunities!

(See page 3 for details)

Kiwanis Park Clean-up

July 22, 9 – 11

Fundraisers

This month we will start our **Ukulele Opportunity Drawing** ticket sales.

For the price of \$10 a ticket, you could own a beautifully crafted, one-of-a-kind ukulele with case.

Only 250 tickets will be available, so your chances are pretty good!

See Patti for tickets to sell and/or buy. (Flyer sent in news Flash).

The Blackberry Festival sales booth is just around the corner.

Let's balance our club budget and make some big \$\$\$.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Bremerton Kiwanis Family,

Here we are at the end of June just passing the longest sunshine-day-solstice already heading to shorter days but I am sure that we will be compensated by the sunnier days of summer melting away damp and dreary overcast weather in our little precious spot on earth. It is time again to face writing a message for the newsletter. I'm pretty sure I have not contributed many presidential messages to the newsletter before, and, as usual, I don't have a clue what to write about. But, this month, I promised myself I would write something and send a few thoughts even if our wonderful editors slash it from final posting.

So I'll just start typing and see what happens...

When I typed the phrase: "Bremerton Kiwanis Family" above, I realized that it has a special meaning to me because when I process these words my mind starts flashing through various scenes of our "family" doing simple inspirational things. Scenes form of pressure washing Dennis' sidewalks and sprucing up his yard; or catching an appreciative smile from a mother as Patti hands her some underwear and socks, or an image of Deann counseling students with instructive parental love for each of them; and another image comes up - one of the several- with Rob almost always being involved to make sure things work out for the better. Then there are images of Beverley displaying her love of Kiwanis with constant energy, commitments, and support. And a visual memory appears of Mary challenging everyone at a Division meeting to support PNW District scholarships while pulling out a twenty-dollar bill. Or an image of Liz handing out a new red jacket on which she has embroidered a new member's name. And of course, Roger with a big and giving presence, booming out a song helping us corral our voices into at least some harmony. An image of a Bobby joke bringing smiles to a visiting Key clubber appears. Then I see Chris and Bob showing STEM students that they care about them by taking the time to help them create a little pinewood car that connects them, their car making group of classmates, their school, and their community, and at the same time, entering into young minds a subconscious reality that people are caring and investing in them. As the memory flashes continue, I see Bill's continuous warm inner soul smiling outwards while helping me with administrative details. And I see a visual flash back to Sunny and Greg grooming up a park where there soon will be hundreds of smiles from egg gathering children and with their parent's admiration. This is only a small portion and only a few moments triggered by the phrase "Bremerton Kiwanis Family." I know I have left out an immense set of images and feelings like getting "family" hugs and inspiration from all the members at some time, but, obviously, there is a limit to what can flash through my mind before it switches to a new thought, like is this getting too long and, it is almost impossible list all the "family" and good that I see in Bremerton Kiwanis... but I thank each and every one of you for all for the upward inspiration you each impart through Kiwanis.

Pres Darroll

Crypto Quote for July's Newsletter:

"AC BDFE GC FHKCOE GCJMPC AC QSO KHFEFCO. AC BDFE KHFEFCO GCJMPC AC QSO KCSPPO. AC BDFE KCSPPO GCJMPC AC QSO RPCRSPC. AC BDFE RPCRSPC GCJMPC AC QSO FCPTC. AC BDFE FCPTC GCJMPC AC QSO KCSU." — AHKKHSB SPEWDP ASPU

Trivia Question:

1. [To What name did Kiwanis International Foundation change in 2016?](#)

(Send your answer to Darroll via email)

Club Program & Project Highlights

Now is the time to start our planning for the next school year. As the children begin to make their summer plans, we want to ensure that our Kiwanis programs continue into the next year. Please check below and see if you can offer some leadership in these programs. Remember that you must have completed the volunteer application for the school district that includes a background check as well as the Kiwanis training for working with youth. You may be able to help coordinate even if you can't attend each date personally. Contact the current advisor(s) information at each program level.

SUCCESS and Elementary Level Programs –

Our past program, funded through a grant, is one of the possibilities for working in our elementary Schools. Darroll, Patti, and Lisa are putting together some ideas for participation in other local elementary school programs. Some ideas that are being considered are story reading on selected dates (books and a reading sheet supplied), a science presentation event (Darroll has a program on solar power), and much more. What ideas do you have to contribute? If your schedule permits, you could be a part of making a child's experience more fun and rich with learning. This program and other elementary level programs reinforce the learning in this age group. A committee meeting will be held in early August to formulate some plans. Contact Patti P. for more information and to add ideas to our planning for the next school year.

BUILDERS Club Program Information – *Our Builder's Club goal is to continue to build relationships and support each other at the Middle School level. Currently meetings are held on Tuesdays of each week from 3 to 4. A little prep time and one hour really means a lot to these youth. Brandie Short has stepped up to help with the program as a Youth Advisor for the coming year. Contact Stephanie Blotzer for more information.*

KEY Club Program Information – *Key Club is all about teens learning a service way of life. We are very fortunate to have their vibrant personalities and enthusiasm as the energy at many of our service projects. They provide a little lift for all of us when they are part of the equation. Having a Key Club Lt. Governor is even more activity. We need Youth Advisors to assist with guidance, chaperoning, and sometimes transportation; the kids take care of all the rest. Meetings are held weekly at BHS weekly. Contact Deann Irish or Darroll Clark for more information.*

Kiwanis Club of Bremerton – Service Opportunities

1) Back-To-School with Wonder Wear: The Bremerton School District (BSD) Back To School Fair will be held on **August 15th at Mountain View Middle School from 5 until 7.** Our club will be handing out "Wonder Wear" (new underwear and socks). This is our 3rd year providing "Wonder Wear" to the students of the Bremerton School district. The club has generously budgeted \$1,000 to the project and the Satellite Club is pursuing grants as well as donation collections. Our donation collection dates this year will be **Thursday, July 19 (2-7) and Saturday, July 22 (10-5).** **You can help by: donating money for purchasing items or bringing donations of underwear to the July 20th meeting OR manning the donation table events for a 2 hour shift OR helping setup the BTS Fair table and handing out the Wonder Wear to the kids on Aug. 15th.** Signup Sheets will be available at regular club meetings or contact Beverly for information.

2) West Hills STEM Academy school start dates: School starts early this year. Lisa has provided two dates you may be interested in. One is the school **Open House on August 29th 5 – 7 p.m.** We will have a table with information about Kiwanis for parents. The second is the **Aug. 30th "Pathway To The Future"** event at **8:30 a.m.** You can join the line of parents and staff to give the kids a big welcome to school. It's a one hour investment in a child's future encouraging them to be proud as they start off the new school year. Signup sheets will be available at regular club meetings or call Patti for more information.

Bennett Memorial Scholarships

The annual review of the applications, interviews with the finalists, and award selections are complete. Twelve scholarships were awarded for a total of \$28,000. We are excited to know that these scholarships will benefit local students improving their life opportunities through education. Thanks to Liz Gross, Carol Sue Barker, Darroll Clark, Mike Liebert, Patti Peterson and Roger Zegers for the more than 135 hours to make the process happen.

Joining Together for Fun

The heart of our Kiwanis Club is our time together making new memories and serving. Remember that your help in organizing and participating in these events is essential to our success. Please mark your calendars and contact any designated lead members for information on how you can help.

CLUB SATELLITE – Can't make noon meetings on Thursdays most of the time? Satellite Club members are fully engaged members in Kiwanis Club of Bremerton who participate in support of general club projects as well as initiating projects suitable for working on outside of regular club meeting hours. Your Kiwanis Satellite Club meets once a month after work hours for those who are unable to attend the weekly noon meetings. Projects remaining for 2017 will include increasing media awareness of Bremerton Kiwanis, the "Wonderwear Back-To-School" 2017 Project, and a fall Pot Luck (date to be announced) for all club members. Mtg: Third Tuesday of the month, location in TBA – 6:30 pm. Contact Deann Irish or Patti Peterson for more information; next meeting 7/18/17 at Bev's home.

Interclub Meetings – Bill Enger/Bud Cole

Who will be the next member to organize an interclub? How about our friends in Gig Harbor, Belfair or North Kitsap?

Round Tables – Please consider acting as the organizer/host of a social gathering. Enjoy the fun of gathering for conversation and tall tales! To ensure success, please announce your proposed Round Table 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.

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

The Bennett Memorial Scholarships mean that students like Brianna Hartley are able to go forward in their education. Yes, Brianna is part of our Kiwanis family! Thanks to proud mom Nita for this photo of the awards night at her school.

Kiwanis Club members Darroll and Bob operating the band saw to the pattern lines drawn by lucky 4th graders at West Hills STEM as they made their Pinewood Derby cars. Ask Bob about his race car.





Thanks to Bill Enger, Bob Morgan, Darroll Clark and Chris Funke From Bremerton Kiwanis and Kitsap Lumber who graciously donated the use of their bandsaw, the students of Westhills STEM academy 4th graders held their annual conference pinewood derby race on June 14th. Bob and Chris accepted a huge Thank You card on behalf of our club.

There is a New Banner at the Bremerton Family YMCA that recognizes The Kiwanis Club of Bremerton for donating to their annual 2017 campaign. Having members donate on behalf of the club is a good way to enhance public awareness of our club's commitment to the youth of our community.



Part of 2016 Wal-Mart Donation collections for Wonder Wear



We hope you will join us for the **Wonder Wear** handouts. Lots of fun last year with our stash carefully organized and ready to go.



Bremerton Kiwanis Satellite Meeting
 June 20, 2017
 BHS Career Center 6:30 PM

Meeting called to order at 6:30

Attendees: Lisa Heaman, Beverley-Short, Brandi Short, Patti Peterson, Deann Irish, Mary Fischer

Old Business:

Discussion on which sizes and amount of underwear and socks to purchase .

Walmart – The underwear will not be on sale during our collection days. The days for collection are: Thursday, July 19 (2-7) and Saturday, July 22 (10-5).

Back to School Event BSD Agreement - Bev has this written up and signed and will have it approved by the board on Wednesday. Once approved, she will drop it off at the district office.

Handout – a flyer needs to be created to hand out during the Wonder Wear event. Lisa Heaman will have Patty Heuer send the .pdf form of the Back to School event and Patti will merge that with information on Bremerton Kiwanis.

Deann will create a signup sheet and then send a copy to Roger to include on website.

New Business:

Upcoming Meetings

August 10 – Day time Kiwanis Meeting is at the Downtown Kitsap Regional Library

August 17 - Picnic at the Zegers' home

August 24 – Catered lunch, place TBD

August 31 – No day time meeting, Blackberry Festival

Fundraisers: Patti's son has handmade a Ukulele that she is going to raffle off. Discussion was made *for a limit of 200 to 250 tickets to be sold*; tickets will be offered at \$10 each.

Next meeting will be July 18 at Bev's home. 6:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 PM.

KIWANIS CLUB OF BREMERTON
BOARD MEETING - May 17, 2017

The May 17, 2017, Board of Directors meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Bremerton was held at the United Way Office, Bremerton.

Members present included President Darroll Clark, Bill Enger, Bobby Gross, Justin Ksen, Tim Lavin, Bob Morgan, Patti Peterson, and Rob Schneider.

Noting a quorum was present, President Darroll Clark called the meeting to order at 6:25pm.

Secretary's Report: Minutes from the April 19, 2017 Board of Directors Meeting were approved as presented. The April monthly report to Kiwanis International was reviewed and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Tim and Rob presented the Treasurer's reports which were accepted.

Expenditures were approved as follows: Bill Enger, \$39.21 for supplies; Beverley Lucky-Short, \$254.56 for pizza for the Success participants. Rob will reimburse the Administrative Account from the Project Account, Sponsored Youth in the amount of \$291.96 representing DCON expenses incorrectly paid from the Administrative Account. Rob reviewed receipts and expenditures on behalf of the Key Club Lt. Governor, who is a member of the Bremerton High School Key Club.

Committee Reports:

Funding Request - Darroll read a request from Cinthia Reyes, a Key Club member, for funding to attend Girls State. After discussion, a motion was approved to contribute \$100.00 toward her trip.

Annual Review - Roger Zegers will once again be asked to assist with the review of the financial records.

Membership - A membership application for Brandie Short was reviewed and approved. Her sponsor is Beverley Luckey-Short. Brandie was previously a member of our Club and later a K-Club member at the University of Hawaii.

Community Service - Chris Funke and Patti Peterson assisted with mock interviews at the Washington Youth Academy.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for June 21, 2017, at the United Way Office.

Respectfully Submitted, Bill Enger, Secretary

(Editor's Note: Font and line spacing adjusted in minutes to fit the page.)