

# Kiwanis Club of Bremerton Newsletter – July. 2019

(New Term Officers will be posted here in Sept. )

Officers 2018/19:

President: Pam Crowe

President Elect: Liz Gross

Secretary: Patti Peterson

Treasurer: Tim Lavin

Past President: Patti Peterson

2018/19 Board Members:

Chris Funke

Bobby Gross

Bob Morgan

Rob Schneider

Kate Wilson

Sunny Wheeler

Advisors:

Builders Club: Currently looking for school & advisor

Key Club: Deann Irish & Darroll Clark

Bennett Memorial Trustees:

Liz Gross

Carol Sue Barker

Roger Zegers

Club Website:

[bremertonkiwanis.org](http://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



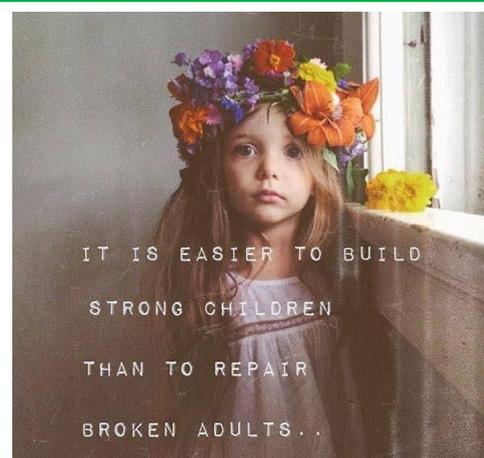
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## Upcoming Meetings & Events

July 4 – No meeting. Happy Independence Day

July..11 – RED VEST Mtg noon, Main Admiral Theater floor,

Juiy. 18 – Mtg noon, The Source, Program: WA State Senator Emily Randall, 26<sup>th</sup> District

July. 25 – Mtg noon, The Source, Program: TBD

July 27 – Kiwanis Park Cleanup 9 to noon.

Aug. 3 – District Meeting, 10 - 12

Aug. 8 – Round Table meeting beginning noon, location TBD

Aug. 15 – Kiwanis Picnic Potluck, Roger Zeger home 4:30 p.m. Directions in August newsletter

Aug. 24 Kiwanis Park Cleanup 9 – noon. See Sunny W. for more information

Aug. 31 to Sept. 2 Blackberry Festival Fundraiser

**\*\*\* Mark your calendar now. Kiwanis Annual Picnic, Thursday, Aug. 15th**

## Service Opportunities!

Kiwanis Park Cleanup  
Contact Sunny to RSVP or for more information

Service/Volunteers needed?  
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**Kiwanis empowers communities to improve the world by making lasting differences in the lives of children.**

## **President's Message - Pam Crowe**

Pam is on a very well-deserved vacation. It's their first big adventure in their RV! Wishing them fun travels.

She sends her thanks to all of you for your continued support.

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## **From Your President-Elect - Liz Gross**

It's summertime at last! And now that it is finally here we are all looking forward to enjoying some warmth and sunshine for the short time we have before, all too soon, it begins to fade. Whether it is summer vacation, visiting friends and family, boating weekends, trips to the ocean or simply visiting a local swimming hole, the next few months are busy for everyone as we try to fit in all the summer sun we can.

Probably not so coincidentally, it is also the same season that finds our Club, as well as many others across the nation, having very small numbers of Members attending meetings. For our club, it is especially noticeable as our normal attendance is only about half of our membership and come summer, we often have just 10 or less at a meeting.

Some clubs, including John Taylor's club in Florida, meet only once a month during the summer. Others meet every other week but only have a speaker once a month. It is time for us to decide what works best for our Members, but just as importantly, for our invited speakers. Our speakers spend time putting their presentations together and then take time away from work to travel to the meeting and present their programs. I am sure many feel very deflated and slighted by our members when they arrive to find only a handful present. And, as Rob so aptly put it, "it is embarrassing". Embarrassing for the club as well as the Member who invited the speaker.

**What are your thoughts about summer meetings?** The name "Kiwaniis" means "we trade" or "we share our talents." It was coined from an American Indian expression, "Nunc Kee-wanis". So my fellow Kiwanians, please, take a few minutes to send me an email [lizkiwanis@gmail.com](mailto:lizkiwanis@gmail.com) to share and trade your ideas for summer meetings including how often to have regular meetings, speakers or not, round tables, brown bag meetings and / or any other ideas.

### **Trivia question:**

**June Question:** What is the theme of the June/July issue of the Kiwanis magazine? *about*) Answer: "What if you are the one to Change the world?" How you can make it happen through Kiwanis service.

**July Question:** Who is the incoming Governor Elect for our Pacific Northwest Division for 2019/2020? Answer:

### **Inspirational Quotes of the Month:**

"I can trust my friends... these people force me to examine myself, encourage me to grow."

*Cher, Singer and Actress*

"Courage is resistance to fear, mastery of fear – not absence of fear."

*Mark Twain, author and philosopher*

"In spite of everything, I will believe that people are really good at heart." Anne Frank

### **A Little Humor for the Month:**

"What has ears but can't hear? A cornstalk.

A philosopher is a person who doesn't have a job, but at least understands why.

Meg: "What's the difference between a chocolate chip cookie and a whale?"

Peg: "Did you ever try dunking a whale in your milk?"

Why did the cow cross the road? The chicken was on vacation.

### **Club Program & Project Highlights**

#### ***We've been working on these:***

1) **Pinewood Derby Car Creations, West Hills STEM Academy June 4:-** It was a warm and sunny morning when Club Members Chris F., Darroll C., Bob M., Bill E., and Patti P. gathered to help the 4<sup>th</sup> graders at West Hill Stem Academy turn their team's vision into a car chassis. The youth predesigned their vehicles in teams of 3 or 4 with the help of their teacher and brought that to club members who used a bandsaw to cut out the shapes. Then they sanded the shape and selected their colors of spray paint to be applied with guidance of club members. 35 car chassis were set out in the sun to dry before the youths would assemble and race them the following week. (Photos in Album)

2) **Bridging Bremerton Event June 22:** Club members Chris Funke, Patti Peterson, Sunny and Greg Wheeler turned out to join in the walking and events for the day. Our Kiwanis Club sponsored wooden tokens (at least one half of the unassembled token) were handed out to the approximately 280 children who participated in the Scavenger Hunt. Karole Johnson and her grandchildren were there to earn their tokens. Dan of Woodcraft had an equipment malfunction that led to having only one half of the token. Thanks to some quick thinking, each recipient was told of the additional challenge to go to the Turner Joy or stop by the Boat Shed on after the next Friday to pick up the whole coin parts. This also helped to link the token coin to the free entry to the Turner Joy memorial. Patti P. was at the table to hand out along with friend Mick right in front of the Seaside Church Children's event – free hotdogs, snow cones and various fun games. Fun partnerships in our community! (Photos in Album)

3) Bremerton Kiwanis provided more than 60 pairs of shoes to help the **Bremerton High Choir Shoe Drive Fundraiser June 28.** Supporting these great kids was a good way to show our thanks for the wonderful concert they gave us this spring and contribute to a good environmental cause as well.

4) Bremerton Kiwanis Club **Alex Bennett Memorial Trust Teacher Innovation Awards** were the focus of our **June 27<sup>th</sup> meeting** program. Congratulations to Julie Wasserburger of Kitsap Lake Elementary; Rosemary Farley of Mountain View Middle School; Shawn Campbell of Bremerton High School; and Cathleen Markham of West Hills STEM Academy. \$15000 awarded to some awesome teachers with some crazy good projects for our kids.

5) **Kiwanis Park – Kiwanis One Day Maintenance Party, June 29:** Club members and community neighbors came together with the help of supplies from the Bremerton Parks Department to spruce up our wood play structures and bathroom building with a fresh coat of stain. Donuts at 9 am to start you off with a sugar rush and then a light picnic. We hope everyone stops off to see the new park bench and plaque!

### **Kiwanis Club of Bremerton – Service Opportunities for July and beyond**

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

**Service Leadership Programs (SLP) activities for 2019/2020:** We are committed to organizing and planning service club support for our schools. Can you help? Please notify Patti or Pam if you have an idea for service leadership at any level; Elementary Level - **K Club**; Middle School level - **Builders Club.**

**Kiwanis Park Cleanup:** July 27

**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.

### **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 mark your calendars.*

**CLUB SATELLITE** – 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. TBD.** WE are busy planning for for Back-To-School, "Wonderwear" drives to be held in East Bremerton at our partner store Wal-Mart. **Club Member Donations are welcomed the month of July** (socks and underwear for girls and boys in sizes small through XLG and young adult). See Patti for a shopping list!

**Interclub Meetings** – 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. **Our next Round Table will be on August \* Are you willing to be a host to coordinate the location?**

### **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

**Pinewood Derby Creation Day, June 4  
at the bandsaw for cutting and sanding  
and that all important paint choice!**





The plaque mounted on our new bench at Kiwanis Park.



Karole J. and Sunny W. hamming it up at the Bridging Bremerton event.



The end-of-the-scavenger-hunt table where tokens were handed out and you could head into the free snacks and games at Seaside Church. Thanks to Mick for helping us out

Seaside Church Children's fun at Bridging Bremerton event. (Below is a climbing wall on the right is a bouncy slide).

