

Kiwanis Club of Bremerton Newsletter – February 2020

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President: Liz Gross
President Elect: Kate Wilson
Secretary: Patti Peterson
Treasurer: Tim Lavin
Past President: Pam Crowe

2019/20 Board Members:

Chris Funke
Allyson Rofter
Sunny Wheeler
Roger Zegers

Advisors:

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Middle School Advisor TBD

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Darroll Clark

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Liz Gross
Carol Sue Barker
Roger Zegers

Club Website:

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

Feb. 6 – RED VEST Mtg noon,
The Source; Program: the
2020 Census.

Feb. 13 – Mtg noon, The
Source; Program:
Valentine's Party 9bring
your sweetie if you RSVP to
Sunny to reserve lunch).

Feb. 18 – Satellite Club, 5:00
p.m. Location TBD

Feb. 20–Mtg, noon, The
Source, Program: Mayor
Greg Wheeler, “State of the
City”.

Feb.. 27 – Mtg noon, The
Source; Program: David
Nelson “Changes inToday’s
Journalism”.

*** Mark your calendar now
for these coming club
events so you can join in.

Service Opportunities!

Kiwanis Park Cleanup

February 29 9 a.m. Contact
Sunny to RSVP or for more
information

Service/Volunteers needed?

See page 3

A copy of “Kiwanis IS A Verb” is
available for your reading
pleasure. Please ask to see this
at a regular meeting.

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



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From Your President - *Liz Gross*

Huge thanks to everyone who shared their time and talent with our Kiwanis club in January. Special thanks to Kate for stepping in as acting president, leading the meetings and her organizational expertise working with the Special Olympics folks and to all of you who volunteered at the event. Thanks to Tim for chairing the board meeting, to Darroll for the great programs in January, and, as always, to Patti for always keeping track of everything! Our program Jan. 30th was presented by Mike Prince sharing his photos and photo journalism adventures. Mike told us he enjoyed meeting with our fun group and, of course, several folks, including me, mentioned joining our club. On my way home, I remembered one of our PNW Governor's recent weekly emails that shared the following:

“Joining” vs. “Belonging”:

***Joining** is what a member does. **Belonging** is how a member feels.

***Joining** is a transaction. **Belonging** is an experience.

***Joining** is rational. **Belonging** is emotional.

***Joining** is episodic. **Belonging** lasts longer... maybe forever.

We talk about approaching like-minded friends to ‘join’ Kiwanis. Maybe we should start asking them to ‘belong’”

Next time I have an opportunity to mention membership in our awesome Kiwanis club to someone I’ll invite them to belong.

Liz

Trivia question:

January question: What is the newest Kiwanis District? (Hint: see cover of Kiwanis magazine Jan/Feb 2020 and story on page 13). Note: extra credit if you know about the plan to change from numbered districts to geographical area labels; where do we fit? *Answer: Newest District, Nepal (strong growth and thoughtful service). Extra credit: Our district is restructuring to a geographical area name; watch for informational posts from Melanie Bozak, our Governor.*

February question: What are the 3 “disconnects” identified in the Jan/Feb 2020 “Executive Perspective”? Hint: it’s all about welcoming and reaching out to sustain membership (see page 4).

Inspirational Quotes of the Month:

“Love comforteth like sunshine after rain.”

William Shakespeare

“You are never too old to set another goal or dream a new dream.”

C. S. Lewis”

“We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence therefore, is not an art but a habit.”

Aristotle

A Little Humor for the Month:

“A professor is someone who talks in other people’s sleep”.

“One of the mysteries of life. How do you know when you’ve run out of invisible ink?”

“How many actors does it take to change a lightbulb? One, they don’t like to share the spotlight.”.

“Before they invented drawing boards, what did they go back to? Does anyone still use a drawing board?”

“They day children brighten up a home. That’s because they never remember to turn off the lights>.”

Club Program & Project Highlights

We’ve been working on these:

- 1) **Special Olympics Basketball Tournament:** A special thanks to Kate Wilson, members of our club (Roger, Sunny, Connie, Darroll, Rob, Chris, Tim and Dave Short), and our Key Clubbers who stepped on very short notice to ensure that the annual SOWA Basketball event held on Jan. 25th had lunches (made by the Port Orchard Kiwanis), water and volunteer help. That’s more than 55 hours of service making a difference in our community. GOOD JOB ALL!. *(See photo by Sunny in this month’s album.)*
- 2) **Stan Warden Golden Ball Tournament:** Chris F. is coordinating our club support for the annual Golden Ball Tournament bringing local youths together for a basketball competition at **Sheridan Park, Feb. 8th. You are invited to see the final game at 5:30 and stay for cake and T-shirt awards to the winner..** *(See the photo Album page for a pic of last year’s cake.*
- 3) **Recycling:** Your household long term plan can be a great example to your neighbors and help save our environment for the children in our community. Please see Patti at meetings to get information on the next recycling focus. **For the months of January and February we will be collecting used dental health items like old toothbrushes, floss containers, and used toothpaste tubes with caps. In March you can bring empty plastic medication containers (label removed with cap included).** See Patti P. for more information. One of the most important gifts we can give our children is an improved environment!
- 4) **Kiwanis Park Easter Egg Hunt 2020:** April 11 is just around the corner and Chairperson Sunny W. has already lined up some of the details for this much-loved event. She’s got the 4H animals, bicycles for Golden Egg prizes (Thanks to Connie and Salvation Army), smaller stuffed toys to trade for those plastic eggs when the event is over (Thanks to Brandie and Kim at Bremerton Foodline), and initial discussions with two local churches to fill those eggs with candy (your help will be needed). **Please mark your calendars now for Saturday April 11th and plan on being there for the fun!**

Kiwanis Club of Bremerton – Service Opportunities for February and beyond

Volunteers are needed throughout our community. We have these upcoming opportunities.

Please remember to report your service hours to Patti P.

- 1) **Looking for a place to volunteer a few hours?** May we suggest **Bremerton Backpack Brigade** where you can help pack those backpacks with food for a hungry child for the weekend. The **Eastside Baby Corner, West Sound Branch** is located in East Bremerton and could use your volunteer time to sort donations and shelf items. Our Kiwanis friends at the Gig Harbor Club work through Bob Maynard and conducted a Diaper Drive to keep their stock of disposable diapers filled. ***Maybe we could do a Diaper Drive too?*** **Salvation Army** opened their overnight shelter and we can help through donations of needed items or cash; see Kiwanis Member Connie Baker for information. **Your commitment of support along with service really makes a difference works twice as hard; it’s not as much about the check, it’s about your help with service.**
- 2) **Kiwanis Park Cleanup: February 29** (yep it’s a Leap Year). Contact Sunny W. for the next date and bring your gloves.

- 3) **Bremerton School District Volunteers:** Just a reminder that your local schools need volunteers. You will need to complete a volunteer application for the school district that is available online through their website and a background check through Kiwanis. Kiwanis mandatory training "Youth Protection Guidelines" can be completed online on line through the Kiwanis website. If you are interested, please check with the school you want to volunteer at or ask for suggestions from our educator club members, Allyson R., Denise Kennedy, Stephanie B., and Deann I.

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.

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 Liz if you have an idea for service leadership at any level;

Key Club News: Advisors Deann I. and Darroll C. reported on the excitement building as the members prepare for the District Convention or DCON to be held in Portland, Oregon soon. The Key Club calendar year goes from April to April to accommodate the school year and sustaining the energy is built by the DCON experience. This will be especially important this year since the **2020/2021 Lt. Governor Elect is Bremerton High's own Francisco Dojenia.** Our club can be particularly proud of our support of their fundraisers and our financial contributions to their activities. Honestly, we couldn't do some of our activities without the energy and enthusiasm that Key Clubbers bring to everything.

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 join in the fun.

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. We will meet February 18 to start calendar planning support for Kiwanis Spring and summer events. Location and time to be determined.***

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. **Thanks to Sunny and Greg Wheeler for a Round Table meeting in December. We hope you were able to attend. Are you willing to be a host to coordinate the location? Let us know at the regular meetings.***

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

Special Olympics athletes and volunteers having fun!

We hope this year's cake is as yummy as last years! Stop by and see the kids while you have a bite of cake on Feb. 8.



"**SUCCESS** IS TO BE MEASURED NOT SO MUCH BY **THE POSITION** THAT ONE HAS REACHED IN LIFE AS BY **THE OBSTACLES** WHICH HE HAS OVERCOME WHILE TRYING **TO SUCCEED.**"

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON



"Never lose sight of the fact that the most important yardstick of your success will be how you treat other people."

-Barbara Bush



Winning hand in Kiwanis poker game Dec. 19, 2019. What kind of games has Liz got up her sleeve for February? Come to a meeting to find out!



TOILET PAPER
2 to 4 WEEKS



CARDBOARD
2 MONTHS



PLASTIC BAGS
20 YEARS

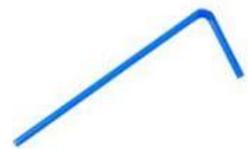


COFFEE CUP
50 YEARS



EARTHBITS

HOW LONG DOES OUR WASTE STAY ON EARTH?



PLASTIC STRAW
200 YEARS



DISPOSABLE NAPPIES
500 YEARS



PLASTIC TOOTHBRUSH
500 YEARS



PLASTIC BOTTLE
500 YEARS



COFFEE PODS
500 YEARS