

# Kiwanis Club of Bremerton Newsletter – May 2020

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[bremertonkiwanis.org](http://bremertonkiwanis.org)

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

Newsletter:

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photos to Patti Peterson

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Kiwanis Club of Bremerton  
Administrator – Sunny Wheeler

***In this issue: An abbreviated newsletter during our social isolation.***

***Kiwanis is still here.***

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## ***What's Happening?***

Our community, state, country and world are all in this for the long haul. The challenge is just as great as that faced by “the greatest generation” that included a prior generation in war and economic depression. As we face a medical and financial crisis, members of Kiwanis can contribute their wisdom and strength to help. Please check the Kiwanis International website and connect with other Kiwanis members that continue to find a way to make a difference. Our Club cannot meet in person, but we can contact each other by phone or email to check on each other. We have had a board meeting via ZOOM this last month and are looking to try a regular meeting using this internet tool. See the next page for more information. Stay well, stay safe, and live life with joy!  
***Patti P.***

## **Upcoming Meetings & Events**

Our regular live meetings for May are cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. These Kiwanis service events for May are cancelled::

**Armed Forces Day Parade May 16** no word on a substitution event.

## **Kiwanis Park Cleanup**

**Saturdays** parks are supposed to open shortly; we will notify you when we will be able to hold a cleanup.

## **Kiwanis Challenge Calendar:**

Play along with this calendar of challenges and let us know about your experience.

**May 1st:** Make an old-fashioned May Day basket. An easy basket is made with a folded paper plate decorated with designs then stapled up the sides about two inches leaving a pocket. Attach a ribbon for a handle and fill with some wild flowers or your garden. .

**May Week 2:** Did you plant a victory garden last month? Tell us how it's growing and post a photo on the club Facebook site.

**May Week 3:** Keep up the good work on neighborhood walks. Take a selfie and share it.

**May Week 4:** Do a litter pickup (wearing gloves) on your walk and keep your neighborhood clean. That's Kiwanis service!.

**May Week 5:** Write a note or send a card to a child in your life to acknowledge the hard work they have done while missing their regular school friends.



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**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*

As we hear the details about the spread of the Corona virus, I urge you all to take suitable precautions to avoid exposure. Please know that your officers and board will send advanced notice of any needed cancellations. Let us all keep calm and look to our health officials to keep us advised on what to do. Kiwanis is your family.

I hope you were able to join the “**Retirement Parade for Roxanne Bryson**” April 30<sup>th</sup> or participate in the “Toast” on line. If you are on Facebook there is a post from Holly Ridge that had a video of the parade. I hope we are able to see Roxanne before she leaves our area for retirement. Congratulations to Roxanne..

Your Board of Directors held a brief online board meeting April 15<sup>th</sup> through ZOOM, an online tool to join a group in telecommuting, to conduct a few items of essential business this last month. We had a full attendance although some of us weren't able to connect with a live picture. After a report from Treasurer Tim Lavin, we took action to direct the issuance of club budgeted donations to the Kitsap Regional Library \$500 and Admiral Theater Foundation, We made some special gifts to boost local agencies that are working hard for our community including Bremerton Backpack Brigade for an additional \$1000 to the budgeted quarterly donation award of \$300 for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. They continue to provide food to Bremerton children in these trying times. We also approved a donation of \$1000 to support the work of the Peninsula Community Health clinic services for low income persons and families. Our Kiwanis Club continues to make contributions to our community thanks to our fundraising last year and the minimal expenses for this year. A bill for Easter Egg Hunt pre-ordered treats was also approved for payment. Please read other articles for some update information on the Alex Bennet Memorial Scholarship program for this year and the Innovation grants for teachers. The current estimate for resuming some kind of regular meeting is towards the end of May, but elections must be held regardless. Elections are needed to meet the calendar requirements for international. I have sent an email to all members requesting any nominations (new volunteers or those that will continue their service to the club) so that we can help Kate with planning for the new year. ***Stay safe and stay healthy until we meet again!***

***Liz***

**A calendar of important dates and events for you:** the following events have been cancelled:

**May 9** Port Townsend Charities Golf Tournament; contact Port Townsend Kiwanis for more information on reschedule.

**May 16** Armed Forces Day Parade. No further word on this year'

Note: The annual Blackberry Festival is doubtful. Given the lead time to purchase our pies, it is unlikely that we will be having the usual fundraising booth this year. More on this when we know anything.

Got time to learn more about Kiwanis? Go to [www.kiwnaisone.org/](http://www.kiwnaisone.org/) webinars are available for you to peruse and learn more.

**Trivia question:** (note: no May question)

**Inspirational Quotes of the Month:**

*“The pessimist complains about the wind. The optimist expects to change it. The realist adjusts the sail.”*

William A. Ward

*“Just living is not enough... one must have sunshine, freedom, and a little love.”*

Hans Christian Anderson

*“Let us never negotiate out of fear, but let us never fear to negotiate.”*

John F. Kennedy

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

“Does this road lead to St. Louis? It does about half the time. Depends on which you’re going.”.

Doctor: “I’ll have you know I’ve been practicing medicine for over ten years.:

Patient: Call me when you’re done practicing and decide to get serious.”

“If it is true that we’re here to help others, what are the others here for?”

Customer: “Are these eggs fresh?”

Farmer: “They’re wo fresh the hens haven’t missed them yet.”

**Club Program & Project Highlights** *We will be filling in the calendar when our social isolation direction is rescinded.*

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

***Bennett Memorial Scholarship News:*** The 2020 program utilizes a revised calendar that opened for applications April 15<sup>th</sup>. The deadline for receipt of applications is May 15<sup>th</sup>. A revised process allows the students to submit one general application to multiple scholarship opportunities. Applicants can obtain information through the BHS student information media. The Teacher Innovation awards program has already requested applications and the Facebook and website for the club will have information to allow submittals through May 1<sup>st</sup>.

***Volunteers are needed throughout our community.*** *Depending on the agency and your health, concerns these are a few places where you can offer service: Bremerton Backpack Brigade, Bremerton Foodline, Salvation Army, Rescue Mission. If you have the funds, please consider donating to local foodbanks through their website or Facebook sites or mail them a check. Every dollar will count. During the social isolation, please stay safe. Please remember to report any Kiwanis service hours to Patti P.*

**Service Leadership Programs (SLP) activities for 2019/2020:** Schools are currently closed due to the COVID-19 virus outbreak. When they reopen, please notify Patti or Liz if you have an idea for service leadership at any level;

**Key Club News:** The DCON experience for 2020 was cancelled due to the virus issues. Advisors Deann I. and Darroll C. will let us know when there is an opportunity to engage with these great kids. Look for an upcoming email from Liz on preparing cards for our BHS Key Club seniors.

## **Joining Together for Fun – See front page Kiwanis Calendar Challenge**

### **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:**

**This month as we hunker down rather than attend our usual events and meetings, we thought it would be fun to look at a few photos from the album that represent those events we have had to cancel but will resume when the COVID-19 crisis is over. Enjoy the Memories!**

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

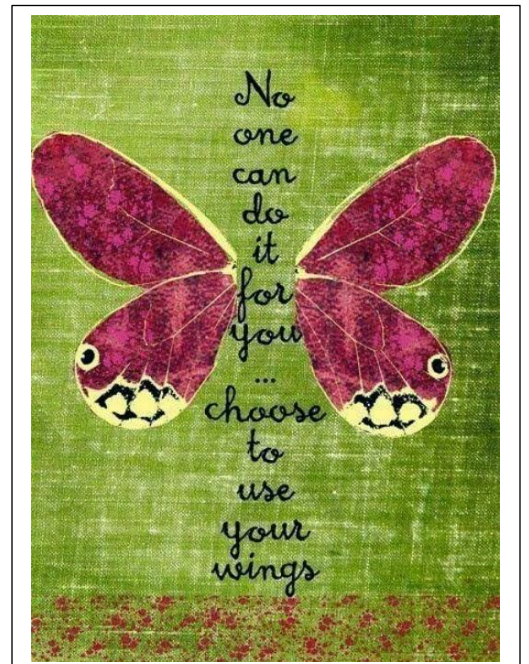
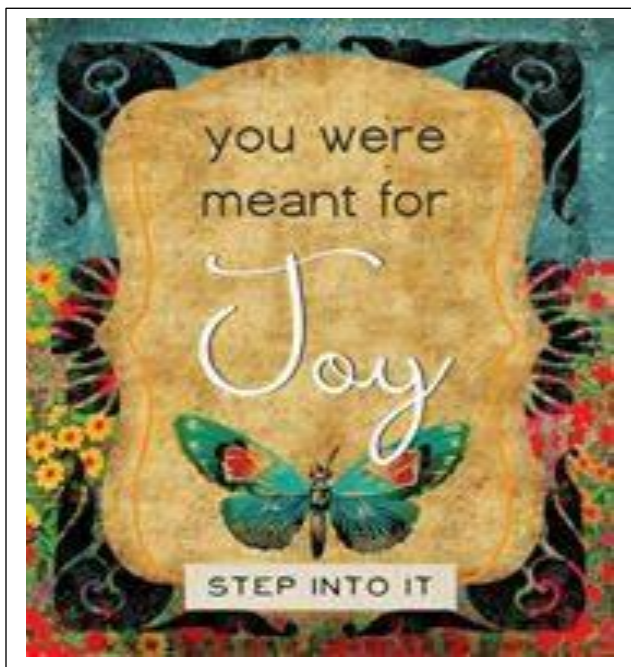
**2018 Scholarship winners and committee members. Who will be in the picture for this year?**



**2017 Annual picnic – photos from the patio at the Zegers/**



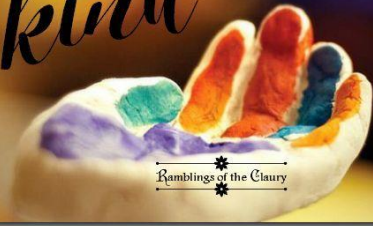
**Back-To-School table 2018 with Key Club volunteers.**



**CI Shenanigans Kiwanis  
Special Event 2018**



Let's paint the  
whole world  
*kind*



**Kiwanis Park Bench  
Dedication April 2019**



**Holly Ridge visit 2019 - having  
fun in the children's playroom  
with Roxanne leading the way.**



  
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ACCEPT YOURSELF  
VALUE YOURSELF  
FORGIVE YOURSELF  
BLESS YOURSELF  
EXPRESS YOURSELF  
TRUST YOURSELF  
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EMPOWER YOURSELF**  
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Member Information Update Form 2019/2020 (please print legibly)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Send Kiwanis mail/email to: \_\_\_\_\_ Home \_\_\_\_\_ Business

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Committee Preference: (Circle applicable): Club Administration, Club Programs, Fundraiser, Community Service Project, Membership.

Special Events: Easter Egg Hunt, Armed Forces Day Parade, Annual Picnic, Back-To-School, Golf Tournament, School Advisor, Blackberry Festival

I would like to see our club (enter activity and continue description on back if needed).

Return to Secretary at meeting or mail in to club at PO Box 12, Bremerton, WA 98337

# Gratitude

turns what we have into  
enough, and more.

It turns denial into  
acceptance, chaos into  
order, confusion into  
clarity... it makes sense of  
our past, brings peace for  
today, and creates a vision  
for tomorrow.

~ Melody Beattie