

# Kiwanis Club of Bremerton Newsletter – Sept. 2021

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President: Liz Gross

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Secretary: Patti Peterson

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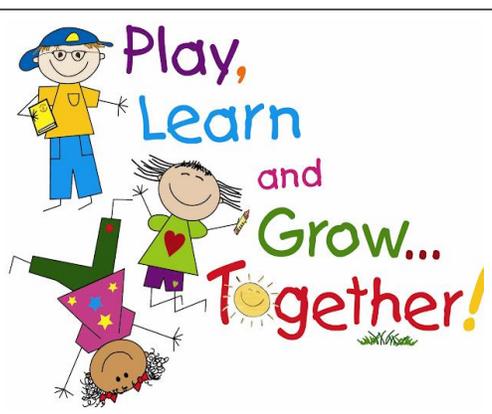
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## ***What's Happening?***

It's Back to School for our children and the path to learning has many challenges not the least of which is COVID 19. If you got to greet some of those awesome kids as they came to school that first day, great time to cheer them on. School buses are back on the road so keep an eye out for the kiddos. Our teachers need our support too. *Check out the Album pages for a a few pics from our picnic and more.*

***Patti***

## **Upcoming Meetings & Events**

We have resumed in-person meetings at "The Source" in the Admiral Theater. Meeting announcement emails will be sent with details of any changes.

## **Kiwanis Calendar:**

Meetings for each month are currently scheduled for the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays, a social time at 12:15 and the meeting with program at 12:30 p.m.. We will keep you posted on schedule changes.

**Sept. 2 BBF Kiwanis booth Cancelled.**

**Sept. 9: Club meeting via ZOOM. Red vest time too. Watch your email for the log on info and program information.**

**Sept. 16th: Club meeting & picnic. Kiwanis Park, wear your Red vest and enjoy a lunch and special dessert. Program: 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary project announcement**

**Sept. 30: Installation Dinner 2021/2022 Officers, Kitsap Golf & Country Club. See Liz and Tim for details and payment.**

**Oct. 14: Regular meeting Red Vest, the Source. Program TBD**



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## **From Your President:**

And here it is, my last newsletter as President of this extraordinary Kiwanis Club. Extraordinary because despite the tumultuous past 18 months, including not Armed Forces Day parade or Blackberry Festival for the past two years, it's incredibly dedicated members are continually finding ways to serve the children and members of our community. From toothbrushes and toothpaste for Backpack Brigade to the yearly Pinewood Derby cars, Back to School supplies, Key Club celebrations, \$54,000 in scholarships from the Bennett Memorial Trust, the always much loved Admiral Theatre School Days children's program, our new quarterly BOOK DISTRIBUTIONS VIA Bremerton Backpack Brigade and a wheelchair ramp to be installed this month, our club is always stepping up. As we get closer to our club's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary I think of our club's legacy here and all of the time and effort members past and present have donated and I am sure without a doubt it is millions and millions of hours.

Next month Kate and Aly will begin their year and with it our next century of service. Whatever that century brings there is one thing I am sure of, those red vests will always be proudly worn and seen finding ways to serve our community and the children of our world.

## **Liz**

### **Bremerton High School Key Club:** *(Deann Irish and Darroll Clark, Key Club Advisors)*

*Our graduates have gone forward to that next step in life and our Key clubbers are busy getting their lives back to normal. We look forward to hearing about their plans for the coming school year start, their fundraising plans, and service. Maybe we can host some root beer floats for those September membership information meetings.*

**2021-2022 Dues Statements:** Just a reminder from your secretary that we will be collecting dues for the coming year in September. You should have received a Dues invoice via email or snail mail. Payment can be mailed in or paid at a regular meeting. While you are reupping your Kiwanis membership and commitment to service, how about inviting a friend to come to a meeting or event to join us. THANK YOU FOR ALL THE GOOD YOU DO! **Patti P.**

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

"Great literature, past or present, is the expression of great knowledge of the human heart" **Edith Hamilton**

"Your life will be rich for others only as it is rich for you." **David McCord**

"We love the things we love for what they are." **Robert Frost**

"It is not talking of love, but living in love that is everything." **Unknown**

**A Little Humor for your day!** . **SMILE, IT'S FREE AND MAKES YOU AND OTHERS FEEL BETTER!**

*"What has one head, one foot, and four legs? A Bed."*

*Customer: "Those turkeys in your frozen food section seem so small. Do they get any bigger?"*

*Grocer: "No, they're dead."*

"If you can stay calm while all around you is chaos, then you probably haven't understood the seriousness of the situation."

**This month's Kiwanis Club Project:** Liz and Kate announced planning for coming projects recently. Now they are working on how to fund them since we won't have our annual fundraiser at the Bremerton Blackberry Festival. The board is gathering ideas for funding and your input is welcome. We will need some funding for all the good things we want to do in our community.

**Kiwanis Club Challenge for September:** Let's make this a big year for Kate as she is installed as our 2021/2022 President along with the other officers. Turn out at our dinner scheduled for Sept. 30 at the Kitsap Golf and Country Club and bring your smile. Let's honor some of our work during this COVID Chaos and look forward to another Kiwanis year.

## **What have our members been doing?**

**Kate W.** has been busy working with **Liz G.** to respond to the everchanging conditions in our community to engage us all in a safe and fun way. They have joined in virtually on District training and this year's convention to touch bases with other clubs and Kiwanis projects. They have also planned some really exciting projects in partnership with Bremerton Backpack Brigade for the coming year. Watch for more information coming up via emails or meetings.

**Liz G.** generously shared the largesse of her green bean bounty at a recent meeting. Yum!

**Darroll C.** has been busy with an art show/sale where he featured his beautifully made clay wine server/containers that he shared a sample of at the July 8<sup>th</sup> in-person meeting! Patti P. got a special delivery of a clay art cooler for a gift. Check out the photo.

**Picnic Fun:** We hope you joined us at the picnic at the **Zegers on August 26th.** Check out the photos of the picnic goers and a late presentation of the Kiwanis of the Year award (now engraved for 2020) to **Liz Gross.** The ever-gracious Zegers actually hosted a few guests on the cancelled night as well as the actual picnic last week. A lot of laughter, food, and shared 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**

**Photo Album:**



Roger Zegers presenting the 2020 engraved trophy for "Kiwanian of the Year" to Liz Gross. This replaced the certificate presented in COSTCO last year. Ask Liz about the story of what she stood in front of there. Thank goodness that Evergreen Trophy had finally opened back for business to help us out!

**ANNUAL PICNIC 2021 – A big thank you to Roger and Diana Zegers for hosting our picnic. Enjoy a few candid pics of the club members! We missed those who couldn't attend but it was a great turnout including 2 of our 3 new members. Great food, good friends, lots of memories!**



**Our friend Myra Battin from Bremerton Backpack Brigade connected with a placard of the star of the Jungle Cruise movie. The Applebys manager kindly gave it to her for a fundraiser this month and there are two tickets to the movie, hit of the late summer!**