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CONVENTION ISSUE
See the special insert pages for information on the 2008 PNW District Convention in Kennewick, Washington

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world, one child and one community at a time.
A Call for Help

“...The biggest things that people need down here are cash donations, bottled water, blankets, generators, bedding, and food. This is estimated to have affected over 1,000 families and homes. One area just west of Chehalis, the town of Doty was wiped out. Complete destruction. Centralia Kiwanis Club has a 501c3 set up to cover donations that are going to where the money is most needed. A $1,000 dollar donation was sent out to the PeEll Club to help in that area. At this time $400 has been taken in by Centralia Kiwanis Club. Up north other clubs have donated wood to those in need in this area and are gathering bottled water and other supplies to distribute in the area. I was out at PeEll on Monday and Tuesday. Ocean Shores and Westport were not affected by the high winds or flooding. Ocean Shores lost power for a day or so. Lots of downed trees and mud was visible between Rochester and the Ocean. Preliminary reports were tagging the cities of Hoquim and Aberdeen to have 5 feet of water in them. It did not happen. The majority of the flooding of the Chehalis river happened in Lewis and South Thurston County. Any help by any club is greatly appreciated.”

Martin Div. 40 Lt. Governor

Taking Action

“All Clubs in Division 38 have been asked to collect from their members funds/cash that will be transferred to Centralia Kiwanis. I am checking on a possible matching cash source. I would say that project will be concluded by the end of the month or after the first week in January and cash sent to Centralia Kiwanis. In addition Kiwanis Club of Olympia is working gathering quantities of firewood. The club has delivered wood to the Rochester area, to ROC for redistribution. About 5 cords were gladly taken and immediately redistributed. Bottled water and other supplies are also being gathered and brought to Rochester. There is also a chance that Black Hills Key Club members participated in a school work day in Independence Valley area. The “Kiwanis Kutters” delivered firewood to families who lost their furnaces to the flood, who had no electricity and in some cases had their firewood float away during flooding. The Club is delivering firewood to the community of Rochester which in turn is distributing the firewood to the community members in need.”

Submitted by Derek Valley

Members of the Olympia Kiwanis Club took two cords of firewood to the ROOF - Rochester Organization Of Families - community center on Wednesday, December 12, 2007.

Submitted by Jan Britt

“Tim and Tracy Stocker, relatives of one of our members and farmers who have experienced the effects of several Snohomish River floods, have a plan to assist those devastated by flooding in Southwest Washington. They have asked us to aid their plan to deliver a semi-truck load of necessities to those in need. We are appealing to Kiwanis members throughout Divisions 21 and 22 to help accomplish their goal.

Here is what is needed. (New or “gently used” items that you would like in your home): Space heaters, pots and pans, toasters and appliances of all sizes.
(especially electric skillets), sundries and cleaning supplies, non perishable food, pet food, furniture (big demand), clothing, infant supplies, bedding, cash cards, etc.

The plan is to leave for the flood area the first of February, so all materials need to be gathered by January 30. This is a great opportunity for all area clubs to demonstrate what KIWANIS is all about! Let us see what we can do regarding such a great opportunity to serve those who have suffered so much and are our Washington State neighbors.”

DIVISION 30 received the call to provide assistance to the flood victims in the Centralia/Chehalis (Division 40) area the second week in December. Lt. Governor Charlie Nordeck emailed all of his clubs the week before Christmas and made a plea for all Division 30 clubs to do whatever we could do to make Christmas just a little bit better for the folks in the Centralia/Chehalis area who have lost everything.” The response was amazing. Bonney Lake Kiwanis was able to get a donation from WalMart which included clothing and a Christmas Tree. The Bonney Lake and Pacific Senior Centers collected more clothing and shortly before Christmas, Duane Tidball and Joe Sexton drove a pickup truck with a U-Haul trailer to Centralia to deliver their donation. Monetary donations included: $320 from Daffodil Valley Kiwanis; $300 from Puyallup Sunrisers Kiwanis; $200 from Edgewood-Milton Kiwanis; $1,000 from Puyallup Kiwanis and $2,000 from the Puyallup Kiwanis Foundation.

The second week in January Lt. Governors Charlie Nordeck and Martin Anderson spoke on the phone and Martin expressed his appreciation for all of the donations they received from Kiwanis clubs in the area.

Submitted by Charlie Nordeck

Thank You

Greetings from Division 40, the Centralia-Chehalis area of Washington State.

Much can be said from the overwhelming donations of cash and other needed items that are necessary when a flood like this happens that really caught us by surprise. A heartfelt thanks goes out to the numerous clubs and divisions that have made this tragedy become a little more bearable. I fielded many phone conversations of where donations of money should go. I also found areas where supplies or certain items were needed and directed donations of towels, bedding, firewood, furniture, food supplies, curtains and other needed articles. The Pacific Northwest District came through with flying colors.

I was talking with a fellow past Lt Governor just about a week ago (January 12, 2008) and was saying that I thought that this may be the end of donations coming in. I need to close my mouth because another almost $4,000 has come to help the flood relief effort. We have received close to $10,000 for the flood relief effort just from Kiwanis clubs and divisions. There were donations as little as $100 and as high as $3,000. I thank each and every one of those that were able to donate.

Because of the extent of the damage, the area will feel it for quite some time. This area and its people are proud. I toured the area one week after the storms and piles and piles of trash were brought out to the street corners. This affected more than 2,500 families and an estimated 15,000 people, maybe more.

My sincere thanks goes out to all who became a part of the solution and gave to help the cause. Where would we be without our fellow Kiwanians?

In Service,

Martin Anderson
Lt Governor Division 40

Three Yakima Clowns, provided some lighter moments for the relief workers displaced by the flooding.

On December 8, 2007 Maureen “OOCHEE” Mould (shown above), Frank “JR Kludders” Ward, and Tammy “Tambow” Danforth arrived at their first Red Cross shelter, in the Westminster...
New Service Leadership Clubs!

Congratulations to the following new clubs and their sponsors:

The **Kiwanis Club of Lewiston Orchards ID** chartered a K-Kids Club at Centennial Elementary (30 members).

The **Kiwanis Club of Portland OR** chartered a K-Kids Club at Glencoe Elementary (40 members).

The **Kiwanis Club of Parkland-Spanaway WA** chartered a Builders Club at Cedarcrest Junior High (42 members).

The **Kiwanis Club of Mukilteo WA** chartered a Builders Club at Harbour Pointe Middle School (9 members).

The **Kiwanis Club of the Valley, Auburn WA** chartered a Builders Club at Mt. Baker Middle School (12 members).

The **Kiwanis Club of South Hill Spokane WA** chartered a Builders Club at Sacajawea Middle School (9 members).

The **Kiwanis Club of Canby OR** chartered a Builders Club at Baker Prairie Middle School (38 members).

The **Kiwanis Club of Bonney Lake WA** chartered a Key Club at Bonney Lake High School (29 members).

The **Kiwanis Club of Takena, Albany OR** chartered a Key Club at South Albany High School (31 members).

The **Kiwanis Club of Bend OR** chartered a Key Club at Morning Star Christian School (16 members).

The **Kiwanis Clubs of Kelowna BC** chartered a new Aktion Club of Kelowna-Downtown.

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Presbyterian Church in Chehalis. They entertained families for an hour and a half, then went on to perform at the Salvation Army Distribution Center.

At one table, a middle-aged woman told about taking in her two sisters and some of their children who had lost everything. The families had to be split up since there wasn’t enough space in her home. She shared that her husband was out of work and there were not enough blankets for the kids so they were sleeping in their clothes. The kids had to wear adult socks that day since there were no children’s socks in the house to share. As she was telling her story to the clowns, a thin, brown-haired woman came up to the table and gave each of the adults a $20 bill and told them that it was a gift from God. Each of the ladies’ eyes filled with tears as one said, “I can get a blanket now,” while another said, “We can go get socks for the kids.”

After two more performances at shelters in the National Guard Armory and LDS Church, the clowns packed up their gear for the long drive back “We all had a feeling in our hearts that we had made a small but significant difference in the lives of those who had lost their homes and those who were lending a helping hand.”

Submitted by Maureen Mould
IS THERE NEWS FROM A COMMUNITY NEAR YOU?

With hundreds of clubs throughout the Pacific Northwest, chances are Kiwanis is having an impact where you live. This magazine shows just a small sample of how Kiwanis clubs are making a difference for children, seniors and families.

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YOU WANT TO HELP...

I am interested in learning more about community service opportunities.

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PNW Kiwanians Turn the Hope of a New Pool Into Reality

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Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp was in great need of a fully-accessible pool for their campers. The main problem? Funding. But thanks to major donor and PNW Kiwanian Jim Bolt, and many, many other generous donors, the camp was able to build an incredible pool that is twice the size of the original pool, wheelchair-accessible, and made to look like part of it’s natural surroundings. After last summer, many campers thanked the local Kiwanians in letters for their new favorite part of camp: the new swimming pool.

Fundraising began almost three years ago at the MHKC annual auction with a funding kick-start from Portland Kiwanis member Marilyn Schultz and is still continuing today with the hope of adding a structure with showers and restroom facilities.

During the 2007 auction, countless PNW Kiwanians generously gave during the “Big Buck,” item- with Jim Bolt and ABC Construction giving enough to complete the project. In addition to his donated funds, Mr. Bolt has provided a substantial amount of donated materials and a number of his dedicated employees to help with construction.

Throughout the year, so much goes into running Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp. There is endless fundraising, maintenance of the facilities, program planning, registration, and so much more.

On any given day, you can find nearby Kiwanis Clubs behind the scenes. From members of the Gresham, Oregon City, Montavilla, Sandy, and Damascus-Boring clubs rushing out on a Saturday to help with snow emergencies, to the members from Ross-Island working for hours in the office on mailings, to major donors helping fund new projects, Kiwanians dedication, support, and endless compassion runs deep.

In addition to the annual benefit auction, which is May 10th at the Embassy Suites in Portland this year, the camp will be having it’s first annual Walk-a-thon this fall. The “Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp Walk, Roll, or Stroll,” will be on Saturday, September 13th, and provide an opportunity for Kiwanians, campers, and the community to join together to raise awareness and funds for the new program for children with autism.

The event will be a fun time for all at Willamette Shores Park in Portland for a 1K, 5K, or 10K walk. Please visit www.mhkc.org for more details and registration information.

Every summer, Kiwanians from Divisions 62, 64, and 66 serve popcorn during the camp “skit night.” Each Thursday evening, camper families, friends, and community members are invited up to camp to enjoy a barbecue dinner, hear music from the “Staff Infection Band,” and watch the campers perform skits. The first Thursday night barbecue of the 2008 summer season will be June 26th. Everyone is invited!

For more information about the annual benefit auction, Walk, Roll, or Stroll, Thursday night barbecues, getting involved, or anything else about Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp, visit www.mhkc.org or call (503) 452-7416.

Submitted by Terri Taylor
The new Kelowna Aktion Club facilitated by Access Resources (host agency) was officially chartered on February 1, 2008.

The Club has been running since September 2007. Members have already participated in a number of community activities and fundraising events, including the Central Okanagan Child Development Variety Club “Teddy Bear” event, Kelowna’s “Night of the Arts” concert, the Salvation Army Christmas Kettle drive, and the City of Kelowna “Adopt a Road” initiative (cleaning up a local park or road).

Kelowna’s Aktion Club members feel good about contributing their skills and energy helping others, meeting new people and being valued members of their community. Access Resources is pleased and encouraged by the community’s response in supporting club members and encouraging club contributions to the wellbeing of their community. Access Resources and the Aktion Club members are fortunate to have the full support and mentorship of the newly-chartered Kiwanis Business Club.

Aktion Club President Lucy Depatie will be working closely with her executive members and all are enthusiastically looking forward to planning the Aktion Club’s participation in many more community events and fundraisers in 2008. The Aktion Club members will immediately initiate their strategic planning in order to prepare for the coming year ahead.

For at least the past 15 years, the subscription rate for this publication has been $3 per year, and this has not increased despite rising postage and printing costs. On the advice of the Finance Committee, the District Board has voted to recommend that the House of Delegates increase the subscription rate by $1 per year. It is still a bargain; there are not many magazines you can get for $4 per year!

Nobody likes to impose higher costs on members; it is done as a last resort. On a per issue basis, the price will increase from 75 cents to one dollar. I am pleased the Finance committee was able to limit the price increase to the equivalent of one local call on a public telephone or... actually, there’s not really much you can buy for 25 cents anymore, is there?

I hope you feel that the quality of this publication is worth one extra dollar per year. Governor Rich Jensen has described it as being one of the top two district publications in Kiwanis International. Kiwanis clubs have used it for recruiting or educating new members and for building new clubs.

Whether you support the rate change or not, please send delegates to District Convention so they can vote on this issue and any other business brought before the House. Every club is entitled to have three delegates, and every vote counts.

Patrick Ewing
Managing Editor
NEW MEMBERS

New Kiwanis members mean new ideas and extra hands to make a difference for children, families, and communities in the Northwest and around the world.

According to Kiwanis International, 261 members joined PNW clubs between Nov. 16, 2007 and Jan. 20, 2008 (an average of four members per day).

Please take time to make all new members feel welcome and valued.

Division 5
TRAIL
William Lees
Shaaron Lees

Division 7
LAKE COUNTRY
Tonya Edwards
Grace Faurot
Daniel Marcotte
Anne Munts

Division 8
DOWNTOWN
Elaine Parkes
Kelly Redgrove

Division 9
OLIVER
Doreen Gray
Beatrice Martel
PENTICTON
Patricia Clarke

Division 11
GOLDEN EARS, MAPLE

Division 13
CAPILANO,
WEST VANCOUVER
Robert Berger
Don McTavish

Division 15
DUNCAN
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Keith Paton
Richard Robert

Division 18
ABBOTSFORD
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BELLEVILLE
Robert Toyer

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PORT TOWNSEND
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ARLINGTON
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Vickie Solla

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Ozzie Kvithammer
Randy Shaifer

Division 26
WEST SEATTLE
Jack Block

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KIRKLAND
George Fouch
Deborah Rice

Division 28
BONNEY LAKE
Ken Brown

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Anne Hobson

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Juanita Dransfield

Division 34
GREATER TACOMA
Renee Rossman

Division 35
TACOMA
Sunny Cairns

Division 36
BREMERTON
Walter Asberry

NEW MEMBERS

Olympia Kiwanis Kutters Provide Firewood for Flood Victims

Vancouver Library Supports Readers With Disabilities

Many with language-based reading disabilities do not read for fun. For a child who struggles with words, introducing the right types of material can spark enthusiasm and lifelong reading.

It may take trial and error and creativity to find books that will appeal to every reluctant reader. The key in choosing the right book for a disabled child is to match his or her specific skill levels.

The Learning Disabilities Association in Vancouver BC is very happy to announce the opening of their new and improved community library stocked with a wide selection of books for children and adults.

“We have been able to purchase thousands of new books thanks to the generosity of Kiwanis Vancouver Club”, says Executive Director Diane Sugars. “We have new high-interest low-vocabulary books, audio books, interactive books, DVDs. The resource section of the library is a dream come true and our community has the Kiwanis Vancouver Club to thank – they understand how much we all need this!”

The new Community Library opened in December 2007, and is located at 3292 East Broadway, Vancouver. Kiwanis members Robert McFarlane and Robert Radloff cut the ribbon for the opening.
Kiwanis Club Provides Opportunities for Kids to be Active

Anacortes WA is about 80 miles north northwest of Seattle and 17 miles west of Mount Vernon. There are about 16,000 residents in the area.

On August 30, 2007, members of the Anacortes Noon Kiwanis Club joined officials from the City of Anacortes and the City’s Parks and Recreation Department for dedication of new playground equipment at the City’s Washington Park.

In 2005 a committee of Club members, established under then president Tom Thompson, explored options to replace and upgrade the park’s much used playground equipment. Their research led to an offer to the City to purchase latest-design slides, webs, climbs, spins and other systems shown to provide safety and fitness for young explorers.

The City accepted the proposal and the Parks Department installed the equipment, along with sidewalks and landscaping. Kiwanis President Twyla Brink and Past President Frank Orr officiated the dedication ceremony. The total Club expenditure for the project was $70,000 including a $15,000 endowment to the Anacortes Parks Foundation.

Over the years, the Anacortes Kiwanis Noon Club has partnered with the City to construct or improve several parks. The Washington Park dedication was
followed a few days later with the dedication of a 12-foot sculpture “Windsong” at the Kiwanis Waterfront Park. The beautiful $20,000 artwork is 12’ high with 50% paid each by the City and Kiwanis through the Anacortes Parks Foundation.

The Anacortes Noon Club contributed $30,000 to the construction of the Kiwanis Waterfront Park. Anacortes

Donational was the addition of Kiwanis Meadows to the City’s Volunteer Park. Dedicated in October 2006, the new area - boasting drainage and a sprinkling system and sized for soccer or football - was designed especially with families in mind with space for picnicking, Frisbee throwing and kite flying. Kiwanis, through the Parks Foundation, funded and managed construction of the entire park for $70,000. The City furnished the land and has estimated the completed value at $400,000. Since 2006, a parking lot has been added and future plans call for a children’s playground and half-basketball court.

Submitted by John Giboney
PNW KIWANIS FOUNDATION
Providing a Lasting Legacy for Children and Youth in the Pacific Northwest

UPDATE TO MEMBERS

YOUR FOUNDATION SUPPORTS CKI (CIRCLE K) STUDENTS

Congratulations to each of the 2008 PNW Kiwanis Foundation Scholarships Winners!

Contact Club Secretary Dr. Mike Wilson at MWilsondc@aol.com
HELP THE FOUNDATION SUPPORT MORE YOUNG LEADERS

Pictured opposite are the four Foundation scholarship winners announced at the 2008 CKI District Convention in Gig Harbor WA. Not shown are the two winners of matching scholarships, who will be announced at the CKI International Convention. All these scholarships are thanks to the support of Kiwanians like you.

Your donations have pushed the PNW Kiwanis Foundation’s assets over $600,000 US. This generates annual funding to support youth leadership training, scholarships for high school and university students, awards for young students, and special grants for projects assisting Pacific Northwest youth.

We are asking every club to consider making an Annual Gift of $5 per member. This will help the Foundation to build toward its $1 million goal, allowing it to expand the number and value of scholarships available to youth in our Service Leadership Programs.

The costs for college and university continue to rise. Help us honor our own Service Leadership Program youth for their outstanding commitment to community service and to the organization. Your personal or club contribution will make a difference in a young person’s life, right here in the Pacific Northwest. Gifts received by June 30th will be recognized at District Convention.

WHERE TO FIND MORE INFORMATION

On the Foundation’s web site you can find:
• Donation forms and grant request forms;
• Information about scholarships;
• Information on donor recognition programs;
• Names of Fellowship recipients; and
• Copies of the Foundation’s brochures and reports.

The web site address: www.pnwkiwanisfoundation.org

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Providing a Lasting Legacy for Children and Youth in the Pacific Northwest
The weekend of February 15-17 was a busy one for CKI members in the PNW District. District Convention, held in Gig Harbor WA, brought together over 100 CKI members from the Pacific Northwest to enjoy a weekend filled with service, leadership, and fellowship.

The weekend started with karaoke. Saint Martins University rocked the house, along with many others. The next morning started early with workshops and caucusing. All of our new leaders were given an opportunity to mingle with other members also taking on club positions, and get some ideas from those who had been there before. Those in attendance that are new to CKI or just chose to focus on service this year were given the opportunity to start the year off right by making tool boxes for their Focus on the Future Day families. What a great idea coming from our Governor and District Project Chair!

After lunch, the House of Delegates got down to the weekend’s business. In a close race, Helen Mak was elected as the PNW CKI Governor. Cale Middleton was elected Treasurer, and Kim Benson from the University of Victoria won Secretary. Sadly, the position for Bulletin Editor is unfilled. Outgoing Bulletin Editor Tracy Meyer from the University of Washington was endorsed by the House of Delegates for the position of Regional Representative (formerly called International Trustee). The election for that position will take place at International Convention 2008.

Saturday night was filled with food, awards, and dancing. The University of Washington stole the show, but UVic and Eastern Washington gave them a run for their money. Sunday was a time of joy and sorrow as the new board was installed, and the old board (and our beloved administrators, Jim McAllister and Dick Rust) were retired.

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Submitted by CKI Convention Chair Kassandra Merwin
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At Convention there was a Penny War between the divisions. Circle K clubs brought change donated by their campuses, Kiwanis Family members, and their personal change collections. In a Penny War, pennies serve as positive points and all other money serves as negative points. For example, 60 pennies would count as positive sixty points and 1 dollar bill would count as negative 100 points. The guessing game is when you try and tell how many points a team has by looking at the jar. It can become a heated battle pretty quickly.

The Penny War raised funds for Circle K International’s Six Cents Day: six cents provides a mixture of sugar and salt, called oral rehydration salts (ORS), that saves lives during episodes of rehydration. A total of $481 was raised, enough money to save 8,016 lives through the Six Cents program!

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Submitted by Carrie Johnson
CKI Regional Representative
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In March 2008, 22 CKI members from throughout PNW went to Kingston, Jamaica to build a cafeteria at Allman Primary School.

Attendees came from University of British Columbia, Pacific Lutheran University, Western Washington University, WOC, and the University of Washington. The CKI members visited the Builders Club, taught students dining etiquette, and did one-on-one tutoring in various subjects. They also got to experience some of the culture and beautiful scenery Jamaica has to offer. Many of the students received financial assistance from Kiwanis clubs to help them attend, for which the students were most grateful. PNW CKI members could not have had this amazing international service experience without this support.

Submitted by Nickole Evans

IP Performs Double Duty

When International President Dave Curry visited the Pacific Northwest in February, he gave a speech to a packed house of Kiwanians in Tacoma WA. He also showed his support for Service Leadership Programs by attending the CKI Convention in Gig Harbor. President Curry’s use of humor and the global focus of his presentations were well-received among Kiwanis and CKI members alike. His visit to the Pacific Northwest was most appreciated.

Submitted by Patrick Ewing
Kiwanis Clubs Help CKI Rock the Ice at UVic Bonspiel

Since 1981, the University of Victoria CKI (Circle K) Club has been holding Bonspiel, a weekend of curling, service, and fun. This event at times has rivalled district events in size. While this year 20 of the participants were turned back by road closures in the Washington state mountain passes, those who attended had a great time.

More than 30 CKI members spent the first weekend in February in beautiful Victoria BC for curling, service projects, and fun.

Dennis Varga of the Sidney & Peninsula Kiwanis cooked a pancake breakfast for everyone. Attendees then had two service project options. One option was to remove ivy from a park.

The other service option was to participate in this year’s Community Service Challenge, a scavenger hunt put together by Patrick Ewing of the Kiwanis Club of Victoria. The activities in the Community Service Challenge related to children (collecting pennies for Kiwanis House to help young women and their children), the environment (picking up cigarette butts and garbage), and random acts of kindness (giving hugs to people and giving dogs biscuits).

Four teams participated in the Community Service Challenge. Each team received a prize for winning one of the challenges, and one team received the overall prize.

After the service projects, everyone headed to the Archie Browning Sport Centre for lunch and curling, with assistance from the Kiwanis Club of Esquimalt. Most CKI members had never curled before so it was definitely something to remember. When curling ended, everyone had a chance to explore the city.

A special thank you goes to the following individual and groups: David Minkley and the University of Victoria CKI Club and the Victoria Kiwanis clubs for making Bonspiel a successful event and for their hospitality.

Submitted by Tracy Meyer, 2007/08 PNW CKI Editor
91st PNW Kiwanis Convention in Kennewick, Washington
August 14-17, 2008

WE HAVE IT ALL!
Experience Tri-Cities 2008
Official Call to the Pacific Northwest District Convention

The Bylaws of the Pacific Northwest District of Kiwanis International establish a requirement for the District Secretary to issue a call to the Annual District Convention. This notice is published to satisfy this requirement.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Pacific Northwest District of Kiwanis International, I hereby issue this call to the 91st Annual Convention of the Pacific Northwest District. The Convention will be held in Kennewick, Washington during the period of August 14–17, 2008.

Each chartered club, in good standing in the District, shall be entitled to three (3) delegates, two of whom should be the President and President-elect. Each club may choose one alternate for each delegate. The forms for the certification of delegates and alternates are available for download from the Resource Area on the PNW District Website (www.pnwkiwanis.org). The Builder and the district website will also have full registration and housing information for the convention.

The purpose of the District Convention is: to elect officers for the coming administrative year; consider amendments to the Bylaws; adopt resolutions; provide education and training; and conduct any other business as may properly come before the delegate body.

Clubs who wish to propose amendments to the District Bylaws, and/or resolutions, must have them in the hands of the District Secretary at least sixty (60) days prior to the convention (June 17, 2008) in order for them to be considered by the House of Delegates in Kennewick.

Cleve Parker
District Secretary & Treasurer

April 15, 2008

Every club is entitled to three (3) voting delegates at the District Convention. Any club sending a full delegation of three voting delegates is cordially invited to bring their home Club Banner for display at the 2008 District Convention in Kennewick. Club Name Banner only please.

Show Your Kiwanis Pride In Kennewick!

BANNERS ARE DUE AT THE HOST COMMITTEE REGISTRATION DESK BY 8:00p.m. ON FRIDAY, August 15, 2008.


Please file by July 17, 2008
Kennewick 2008 PNW Convention-At-A-Glance

**THURSDAY, August 14**

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM | Club Leadership Education (Makeup) | Room G
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM | Executive Committee | Governor’s Suite - Red Lion
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM | TAG Team Committee Meeting & Training | Room H
12:00 Noon - 4:00 PM | Hospitality Room | Cyber Cafe
12:00 Noon - 7:30 PM | Registration Desk Open | Registration area

1:00 PM | Past Governor’s Committee Meeting | Columbia Center Red Lion
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM | District Directory Photos (Makeup) | Room F
2:00 PM - 4:30 PM | Current and Incoming Finance & Fund Raising Committees (Joint Meeting) | Room A
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM | Exhibit Set-up | Convention Center Hallways
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM | No Host Social (Team Dinner) | Clover Island Inn
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM | Incoming District Chairs & Program Directors 2007-2008) | Room C
5:00 PM - 5:30 PM | 2007-2008 Board of Trustees | Columbia Center Red Lion
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM | 2008-2009 Board of Trustees | Columbia Center Red Lion

**FRIDAY, August 15**

7:00 AM - 9:00 AM | Past Lt. Governor’s Association Breakfast & Meeting | Great Hall A
8:00 AM - 4:30 PM | Credentials Desk | Convention Center - Lobby
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM | Convention Office | Show Office
8:00 AM - 8:00 PM | Registration Desk | Convention Center - Lobby
8:00 AM - 8:00 PM | Information Desk | Convention Center - Lobby
8:00 AM - 10:00 AM | Exhibit Set-up | Convention Center Hallways
8:00 AM - 12:00 Noon | 2007-2008 Board of Trustees | Columbia Center Red Lion

8:30 AM - 12:00 Noon | Membership Development Session | Room H
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM | Hospitality Room | Cyber Cafe
10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon | Service Leaders Program Advisor Training | Conference Center Hallways
10:00 AM - 8:30 PM | Exhibits Open | Room G
10:00 AM - 10:50 AM | Forums & Seminars | Room G
11:00 AM - 11:50 AM | First Timers’ Orientation | Room E
11:00 AM - 5:00 PM | District Store Open | Room E

12:00 Noon - 1:30 PM | Kick-off Luncheon | Great Halls C & D
2:00 PM | PAC Committee | Great Halls C & D
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM | Forums, Clinics & Roundtable Discussions | Various Locations — See Forum Pages
3:10 PM - 4:00 PM | Meet the Candidates | Great Hall A
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM | Foundations Reception | Room H

**SATURDAY, August 16**

6:30 AM - 4:00 PM | Registration Desk | Convention Center Lobby
6:30 AM - 4:00 PM | Credentials Desk | Convention Center Lobby
6:30 AM - 4:00 PM | Information Desk | Convention Center Lobby
6:30 AM - 5:00 PM | Exhibits | Room E
7:00 AM - 8:30 AM | Kiwanis Awards Breakfast | Great Hall C & D
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM | District Store Open | Great Hall C & D
9:00 AM - 5:30 PM | Hospitality Room | Great Hall A & B

9:00 AM - 12:15 Noon | Opening Delegate Session | Great Hall C & D
12:30 PM - 2:00 PM | Kiwanis Family Luncheon | Great Hall C & D
2:30 PM - 4:20 PM | Forums, Clinics & Roundtable Discussions | Red Lion Hotel - Room TBD
2:30 PM - 5:00 PM | Pacific Northwest Kiwanis Foundation Board Meeting | Red Lion Hotel - Room TBD

**SUNDAY, August 17**

7:30 AM | Inspirational Breakfast | Great Hall A
9:30 AM - 11:00 AM | Farewell Session | Great Hall A & B

*All events are in the Three Rivers Convention Center unless otherwise noted.*
Incoming Club Officers:

Did you (or will you) miss the Club Officer Training Session offered in your division/region? If so, you have the opportunity to attend a special makeup session in conjunction with the District Convention in Kennewick, Washington.

It has been shown that clubs whose officers attend Club Leadership Education generally have more success than clubs whose officers do not attend.

Kennewick will be your final opportunity to attend CLE before the beginning of the 2008-2009 administrative year. Training will begin at 8:00 AM on Thursday, August 14th at the Three Rivers Convention Center. Cost for the all-day session is $50 US/$50 CDN if registered by August 4th and includes light lunch if pre-registered. Registration after August 4th or at the door will be $60 US/$60 CDN. Lunch is not included for registrations made the day of the event.

Please pre-register by mailing or faxing (faxing is credit card payments only) the coupon below to the District Office by Monday, August 4, 2008.
He started SIGN (Surgical Implant Generation Network) to support orthopedic surgeries and help trauma patients in developing countries. SIGN was founded in 1999 (funded in part by the $10,000 Dr. Zirkle received from the Kiwanis International Foundation as part of his Kiwanis World Service Medal recognition). SIGN has developed new surgical technology, manufactures appropriately sized implants, trains surgeons and donates the products. Since SIGN was founded in 1999, there are more than 500 SIGN-trained surgeons in nearly 100 trauma hospitals using the technology in developing countries.

Dr. Zirkle, when he was a young surgeon in a MASH unit in Vietnam in the 1960s, saw an enormous need for modern surgical treatment. After nearly 30 years of semi-annual trips to teach modern surgical techniques to surgeons in Southeast Asia, Indonesia and Latin America brought disappointing results because the newly-trained surgeons quickly exhausted the supplies of surgical implants Dr. Zirkle was able to persuade American manufacturers to donate, he realized that progress would be limited until a way was found to provide the implants as well as the training.

This was all accomplished through a company Dr. Zirkle named the Surgical Implant Generation Network (SIGN). Design Engineers and a Production and Support Staff were assembled and an ingenious alignment device was developed that permitted surgeons to "hit the slot" nearly every time, even without imaging equipment in the operating room.

Explaining briefly, a victim’s shattered bone fragments are held in proper position while they heal by a surgically implanted stainless steel “nail” installed in the bone canal. The “nail” and bone fragments are held rigidly together by screws that pass through the bone and through slots in the "nail." Surgeons can't see the slots without imaging equipment so SIGN engineers developed an apparatus (a kind of jig) that reliably aims the screws through the bone and the slot in the nail and into the bone on the other side of the canal.

Instead of being in traction for life, lucky victims are able to take a few tentative steps the next day and are walking on healed legs only a few weeks after SIGN surgery. The victim’s family has a healthy parent and wage-earner returned to it instead of a life-long invalid to care for.

Learn more about SIGN at: www.sign-post.org
Golf Tournament at Canyon Lakes

Date: Thursday, August 14, 2008
Time: 1:00 PM Shotgun Start
Where: Canyon Lakes Golf Course
3700 Canyon Lakes Drive
Kennewick, WA 99337
Format: Scramble - 4 Person Teams

Start your convention weekend off right by participating in the golf tournament at the Canyon Lakes Golf Course. Canyon Lakes is rated Four Stars by Golf Digest and is the highest rated golf course in the Tri-Cities. Golf Digest has ranked Canyon Lakes as one of the top 200 value golf courses in the United States. Compete for prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Last Place Teams. The tournament fee includes golf and cart, range balls, longest drive, closest to the pin prizes, surprise prize(s), and tee pack. A box lunch is additional and must be ordered when you register. It is really important to provide an email address and phone number for you and your team so you can be updated on the event periodically. Check out the website at www.canyonlakesgolfcourse.com

Register early to secure your spot in this special event and save some bucks!

Please return bottom portion with your payment. Please print clearly.

Name _____________________________________________________________
Address __________________________________________________________
City, States, Zip ___________________________________________________
Email _____________________________________________________________
Phone ____________________________________________________________

Cost (Per Player) - $60 if received by June 20th
$75 if after June 20th
(All entries MUST be received by August 1st.)
$9 Box Lunch (Indicate Choices Below)

$_____________ Total Paid

☐ Individual Index _____ OR Avg. Score ______

☐ Foursome

Please list other golfers in foursome if you already have a team. (Please print)

1. ___________________________________
2. ___________________________________
3. ___________________________________
4. ___________________________________

No credit cards. Please pay by check.

Make checks payable to: Kennewick Kiwanis

Mail To: Kennewick Kiwanis
c/o Stan Case
192 Teri Road
Burbank, WA 99323

More information is available at: www.kennewickkiwanis.org/convention_golf.htm
Welcome to the heart of Washington’s wine country with Superb Wines, a Tuscan Buffet, and Smooth Jazz. Enjoy a sampling of medal winning Washington wines, classic Italian dishes and the Columbia Jazz Trio. Also planned are sessions on how to hold a wine tasting and the history of the cataclysmic Missoula flood that gave the wine country its fertile soil eons ago.

Menu

Choice of one Entree:
Lasagna (Meat or Vegetarian)
   Chicken Parmesan
   Chicken Marsala

   Caesar Salad
   Antipasto Platter
   Minestrone Soup
   Fettuccini and Penne Pasta
   Marinara and Alfredo Sauces
   Jumbo Cheese Ravioli in Roasted Pomodoro Sauce
   Garlic Bread

   Tiramisu for Dessert

   Coffee, Water, Ice Tea, and Lemonade included.

$35.00
Join your fellow Kiwanians for an exciting peek at the sights, smells, and tastes of Washington’s wine country. There will be two tours (one on Friday and one on Saturday), each with stops at three hand-picked wineries. A comfortable forty-five passenger bus, complete with a wine savvy guide will whisk you away from the Convention Center for a three hour tour. Sample over twenty gold medal and award winning wines each tour. **The price is $20 per person.**

*It is first come, first served for the 45 passenger buses, so register for your tour by email to bwoehler@charter.net (Fees will be collected later.)*

Several of the tasting rooms have various gourmet and wine motif items. Go together and buy a mixed and matched case for a 10% discount.

**Friday - the tour bus leaves the convention center at 1PM and returns at 4PM**

The first stop on the tour is **Barnard Griffin**, named by Wine Press Northwest magazine as Winery of the Year. Then stroll next door to the patio garden setting of **Bookwater Winery**, one of the oldest in the Pacific Northwest. Finally, stop in at **Goose Ridge** where the cozy tasting room provides a vista of 1000 acres of wine grapes at one of the largest vineyards in the Pacific Northwest.

**Saturday - Leaves the convention center at 2PM and will have you back by 5PM in time to freshen up and dress for the Governor’s Ball later in the evening**

Visit **Hedges** on Red Mountain in its impressive French Chateau winery and grounds. Then get on the bus for a short ride to **Kiona Vineyards**’ brand new modern-style tasting room that features a commanding view of the vineyards on Red Mountain. The last stop is at **Terra Blanca**, one of the most impressive wineries in the Pacific Northwest with Italian Classic architecture including covered verandas that offer sweeping views of the well manicured grounds and lake as well as the nearby Yakima Valley. You can even see Mt. Adams on a clear day.

*More information is available at: www.kennewickkiwanis.org/convention_winerytours.htm*
DON’T MISS THE
GOVERNOR’S BANQUET!
Saturday - 7:30 PM in the Three Rivers Convention Center

Honoring Governor Rich Jensen

ENTREE CHOICES
Steak and Shrimp Brochettes - beef tenderloin and tiger prawns with bell pepper, onions, mushrooms and topped with garlic butter.

or

Chicken Wellington - Tender chicken breast, Havarti cheese, artichokes and asparagus wrapped in puffed pastry and topped with béarnaise sauce.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
PAST INTL. PRESIDENT STEVE SIEMENS

Kiwanis International President Steve Siemens of Des Moines, Iowa will be the Keynote Speaker at the Governor’s Banquet for the 91st Annual Pacific Northwest District Convention in Kennewick.

Siemens, better known as “Mr. People Builder” or “Your Balcony Person,” is the founder and president of Siemens People Builder located in Des Moines, Iowa. Every day he fulfills a part of his personal mission statement which is “to add value to the lives of people.”

He is a member of the National Speakers Association and speaks between 15 to 30 times a month for hundreds of audiences nationally and internationally.

In April 2000, President Steve earned the CSP (Certified Speaking Professional) designation from the National Speakers Association. The highest earned designation of the Association, the CSP recognizes a demonstrated commitment to the speaking profession through proven speaking experience, ongoing education and ethical behavior. Throughout the entire world, only 301 NSA members (out of a membership of 3,500) have earned this designation.

Every topic Steve presents is designed to help people achieve career success, balanced with personal fulfillment. His leadership as a college president, professor and entrepreneur have given him an overflowing toolbox to help build people.

Kiwanians will appreciate his interactive, humorous motivational style and their clubs will benefit from his common sense, practical ideas and relevant message.

Siemens is also committed to giving back to his community. He is the past Chairman of the Board of Iowa Easter Seals and of the Iowa Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He is past Governor of the Nebraska - Iowa District of Kiwanis International and serves on various other boards and advisory committees. Prior to his election to the Kiwanis International Board, Steve served as chairman of the Worldwide Service Project Campaign Committee to eliminate Iodine Deficiency Disorders.
CONVENTION REGISTRATION
POLICIES & INFORMATION

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CAREFULLY:

Use one (1) registration form per Kiwanian. If your spouse is also a Kiwanian, each of you must complete your own registration form. Guests shown must be non-Kiwanians. Proper registration will enable the Host Committee to include any convention ribbons you are entitled to. Photocopies of the form are acceptable. Additional copies of the registration form may be downloaded from the district website at www.pnwkiwanis.org.

Full Registration payment must accompany this form. No meal tickets will be sold without payment of registration fees. We must give our meal guarantees to the caterer at least 72 hours prior to the event. Space at some events may be limited and meal tickets are sold on a first-come, first-served basis. There’s no guarantee meals will be available and sold on-site.

If you FAX or EMAIL your registration, please DO NOT send another copy through the mail, as this may cause duplicate credit card charges. All faxed or emailed registrations MUST be paid by credit card and are processed in U.S. DOLLARS. The District accepts both Visa and MasterCard payments.

Payment by check is acceptable only for registrations received via the Postal Service or hand delivered. Canadian members may pay by Canadian Dollar check, using the current Kiwanis International Exchange Rate of $1.00 Canadian Dollar to $1.00 U.S. Dollar.

DO NOT SUBMIT THIS FORM IF IT WILL ARRIVE AFTER 5:00PM ON MONDAY, AUGUST 4TH. AFTER THIS DATE, YOU MUST REGISTER ON-SITE AT THE CONVENTION.

Your registration will be processed during the week it is received and a confirmation will be mailed back to you.

KIWANIAN REGISTRATION – The Kiwanian’s registration fee includes ALL meal functions on Saturday – the Awards Breakfast, Kiwanis Family Luncheon and Governor’s Banquet. Please do not order meals on Saturday unless they are for your registered Guest. Thursday, Friday and Sunday meal functions may be purchased separately.

GUEST REGISTRATION – There is no registration fee for guests, but guest registrations are ONLY accepted in conjunction with a full Kiwanian registration. All guest meals will be purchased separately on the registration form.

SERVICE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM MEMBERS REGISTRATION – Registration for members of Aktion, K-Kids, Builders Club, Key Club, and Circle K clubs should also be made on this form. The SLP registration fee includes the Saturday Kiwanis Family Luncheon only. All other meals may be purchased separately if desired.

PLEASE UNDERSTAND THE CANCELLATION, LATE REGISTRATION & REFUND POLICIES BELOW:

Convention registrations must be postmarked by Friday, July 18th or sent by FAX or EMAIL before 5:00pm on Monday, July 21, 2008. After these deadlines, all registrations are subject to a late registration fee of $25.00 USD.

Cancellations – All cancellation requests MUST be in writing and sent via the Postal Service, FAX, or EMAIL. Phone cancellations WILL NOT be accepted. Cancellation requests received by 5:00pm on Monday, July 21, 2008 will receive a full refund. Cancellations received after that date will incur a $25.00 USD processing fee. No refunds will be made for cancellations received after 5:00pm on Thursday, August 7, 2008.

Please acknowledge receipt and understanding of these policies by placing your initials in the proper box at the bottom of the Registration Form.
REGISTRATION INFORMATION - Please print clearly and complete ALL sections

First Name___________________________________ Last Name __________________________________(for badge)

Guest Name First______________________________ Last_______________________________________(for badge)

Mailing Address ___________________________________________________________________________________

City __________________________________________State/Prov. ________ Zip or Postal Code _________________

Home Phone (    ) __________________ Work Phone (      ) ___________________ Fax (     ) __________________

E-mail Address ___________________________________________________________________________________

Club Name _____________________________________ Division __________ Club Key # ___________________

CONVENTION REGISTRATION & EVENT FEES - Please mark ALL that apply

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Mail completed form and payment to:
PNW KIWANIS CONVENTION 2007
P.O. Box 747, BEAVERTON, OR 97075
PHONE: 503-641-8869  FAX: 503-644-3600
E:mail: pnwconvention@pnwkiwanis.org
Website: http://www.pnwkiwanis.org

Please initial box to indicate that you have read & understand the District Convention Policies. (separate sheet)

Fees cannot be split between check and charge. Please complete the following section.

☐ Check #______ enclosed.

☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard  Expiration Date ________/ ________

All credit cards processed in US dollars.

Signature ________________________________
REGISTRATION INFORMATION - Please print clearly and complete ALL sections

First Name___________________________________ Last Name __________________________________ (for badge)

Mailing Address ___________________________________________________________________________________

City __________________________________________State/Prov. ________ Zip or Postal Code _________________

Home Phone (    ) __________________ Work Phone (      ) ___________________ Fax (     ) __________________

E-mail Address ___________________________________________________________________________________

Club Name _____________________________________ Division __________ Club Key # ___________________

ATTENDEE RIBBONS - Please check all that apply to the registering Kiwanian.

☐ Check this box if you are a First Time attendee!

☐ Legion of Honor (Kiwanis member of 25 years or more.)

☐ Current President ☐ International Officer

☐ Current Secretary ☐ Past Intl. Officer

☐ Lt. Gov. Designate ☐ District Life Member

☐ Current Lt. Governor ☐ Intl. Life Member

☐ Past Lt. Governor ☐ KIF Hixson Fellow

☐ District Chair ☐ KIF Tablet of Honor

☐ Past District Chair ☐ KIF Heritage Society

☐ District Secretary ☐ KFC Mel Osborne Fellow

☐ Governor-Elect ☐ Jack Delf Award Recipient

☐ Governor ☐ Mel Dennis Award Recipient

☐ Imm. Past Governor ☐ Lee Price Award Recipient

☐ Past Governor ☐ Governor’s Trophy Award Recipient
HOUSING POLICIES

All Convention attendees are responsible for making their own housing arrangements and should contact the official Kiwanis Convention hotels and motels directly. Most facilities will need a credit card to guarantee the room. Most will also allow you to hold the reservations by sending a deposit equal to one night’s lodging.

Please refer to the Convention Housing Information flyer for rates and contact information on our official convention hotels. Please identify yourself as a Kiwanis District Convention Attendee when you do make your reservation. Please make note of the block release date for each hotel/motel in the Hotel Accomodations Listing. After these dates, our convention room blocks will be released and convention reservations will then be subject to space and rate availability.

WHY USE A KIWANIS CONVENTION HOTEL?

Conventions are booked and planned several years out. In order to make certain that there are enough rooms for everyone who wants to attend, it is necessary for the District to commit (guarantee) to a certain number of room nights with these facilities. This prevents another convention or sports activity from taking all of the available rooms in the convention city – leaving no place for our convention attendees to stay.

In addition, much of the extensive meeting room space that we use for convention is provided to us on a reduced or complimentary basis PROVIDED that we are able to meet our hotel room block commitments. Without the credit given to the district for filling hotel rooms, we would have to pay some hefty convention center rental fees – which would eventually translate into higher convention registration fees to all attendees.

Further – when you book your room, please make certain to ask for the Kiwanis rate. It does the district absolutely no good if you are booked in an official district convention hotel but the credit is given to AAA, CAA, AARP, or some other organization of which you are a member.

If the ONLY way in which you can get to the convention is to stay in another hotel or motel, by all means do so. We want to see you at convention! However, staying at an Official Kiwanis Convention property helps keep everyone’s convention expense affordable.

HELPFUL WEBSITES

***Check these sites often for the latest information!***

***PNW District Convention Registration Materials***
www.pnwikiwanis.org

***Kennewick Convention Host Committee***
www.kennewickkiwanis.org/convention08.htm

Tri-Cities Visitor and Convention Bureau
www.visittri-cities.com

Three Rivers Convention Center
www.threeriversconventioncenter.com

Tri-City Regional Chamber of Commerce
www.tricityregionalchamber.com
PNW 2008 District Convention Hotel Accommodations & RV Park

1. **District Headquarters Hotel**
   - **Red Lion Columbia Center - Kennewick**
   - **Must book by Thursday, July 17**
   - **Red Lion Columbia Center Blvd.**
   - **Kennewick, WA 99336**
   - **509-783-0611**
   - **509-735-3087 Fax**
   - $84.95 Single
   - $94.95 Double
   - **Free Airport Shuttle**

2. **Hilton Garden Inn**
   - **701 North Young Street**
   - **Kennewick, WA 99336**
   - **509-735-4600**
   - **509-735-4601 Fax**
   - $94.00 Deluxe King (Single or Double)
   - No Airport Shuttle
   - Walking Distance to Convention Center

3. **Shilo Inn Richland**
   - **50 Comstock**
   - **Richland, WA 99352**
   - **509-946-4661**
   - **509-943-6741 Fax**
   - $109.00 Single or Double
   - Free Airport Shuttle

4. **Hampton Inn Richland**
   - **486 Bradley Blvd**
   - **Richland, WA 99352**
   - **509-943-4400**
   - **509-943-1797 Fax**
   - $99.00 King or Double Queen
   - Free Airport Shuttle

5. **LaQuinta Inn & Suites Kennewick**
   - **4220 W 27th Place**
   - **Kennewick, WA 99337**
   - **509-736-3326**
   - **509-736-3605 Fax**
   - $69.00 Singles or Double Queen
   - No Airport Shuttle

6. **Days Inn Kennewick**
   - **2811 W 2nd Ave**
   - **Kennewick, WA 99336**
   - **509-735-9511**
   - **509-735-1944 Fax**
   - $97.96 Singles
   - $107.96 Doubles
   - No Airport Shuttle

**RV Park Information**

Please contact Host Committee Co-chair Bob Woehler, (509) 783-2422 or email at bwoehler@charter.net
Proposed Amendment to the District Bylaws

To Be Submitted to the House of Delegates
91st Annual District Convention
August 16, 2008
Kennewick, Washington

It having been duly moved, seconded and approved at the District Board Meeting held on March 9, 2008 in Bellingham, Washington, the District Board of Trustees submits the following Resolution to amend the District Bylaws to the House of Delegates at the 91st Annual Pacific Northwest District Convention to be held on August 16, 2008 at Kennewick, Washington.

ADMINISTRATIVE RESOLUTION #1 – PROPOSED INCREASE IN BUILDER SUBSCRIPTION FEE

Resolved, that Article XIII, Section 1 (paragraph 1) be amended in the following manner:

ARTICLE XIII
REVENUE

Section 1. Subject to Section 5 and 8 of this article, each member club shall pay to the district for each and every member, with the exception of those members holding District Life Member Status, and honorary members, the sum of thirty dollars ($30.00), thirty-one dollars ($31.00) per annum, such amount to include all district charges, other than registration fees paid by those in attendance at district conventions or conferences but including three dollars ($3.00), four dollars ($4.00) for the publication and distribution of the District bulletin.

Columbia River Journeys Jet Boat Tour

Friday, August 15, 1:00 p.m.
$75 per person
Four to Four and one-half hour tour of the last free flowing stretch of the Columbia River through the Hanford Reach National Monument with a professional guide and narrator. Tour limited to 20 people so make your reservations early to guarantee space.

Columbia Voyager

Saturday, August 16, 3 p.m.
$25 per person
Enjoy an hour’s scenic tour on the Columbia River. Light hors d’oeuvres included. Soft drinks or bottled water available for $1.25. Reserve early while space is still available. Tour limited to 100 people.
**LEADERSHIP CANDIDATE INFORMATION**

**Candidate for 2008-09 Governor**
There is one candidate to serve as 2008-2009 Governor.

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**Wendy Falkowski**
_running for Governor_

Are you ready? Kiwanis Next is about change. Kiwanis Next is about stopping the downward spiral and rebuilding the PNW to the status it once was. No longer can we, the members, sit back and wait for someone else to do the job. Kiwanis IS about YOU and ME working together as a team to serve the children of our communities and the world. If WE don’t care, who will? It’s all about the kids! Kiwanians have something to brag about. Why are we depriving our friends from becoming Kiwanians and having the same opportunities?

My commitment to you is dedication and strong leadership to create a ONE-K TEAM! ONE Kid! ONE Kiwanian! ONE Club! ONE District!

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**Patrick Ewing**
_running for Governor-Elect_

My passion for Kiwanis started during my six years in Circle K. In my 13 years in Kiwanis I have sought out new challenges, first serving as Distinguished Club Secretary/President and then Lieutenant Governor. For the past eight years I have worked to achieve positive change at the District level:

- As a PNW Foundation Director I have worked with the board to make it more open and accountable.
- During my term as District Administrator, the number of K-Kids clubs doubled and the number of members tripled.
- As Marketing/PR Chair, I have worked with clubs to turn the District’s Builder into an award-nominated magazine.

Our District can’t reach its true potential if we just do what we have always done. Let’s work together to seek out new opportunities to reach out to new members, strengthen the Kiwanis family, and increase support to clubs and members.

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**Jim Schwend**
_running for Governor-Elect_

Each of us has the opportunity to make a difference in the life of a child and a community. Our growth goal of “1 million members by 2015” will certainly allow us to reach more children and communities. My involvement in new club building has made a difference in many communities that now have a Kiwanis presence.

My successes in leadership span many walks of life. I have served in the USMC as a combat helicopter pilot, advisor to our Rainier Middle School Builder’s Club, Member of the Auburn Chamber Education Committee, coordinator for several of our club’s 12 BUG (SLP) programs.

Many know me from my work as a CLE instructor for several years as well as presenting membership growth materials at zone conferences. This is all part of the club excellence that I feel is so important for our success. I ask you to vote for me for Governor-Elect in Kennewick, Washington at our PNW District Convention.
So many children and so many communities benefit from Kiwanis service!

There are many more projects going on than are reported here -- this is just a sample. With more people like you, what a difference we could make in the Pacific Northwest!

The Pacific Northwest is a vast region: about 3.6 million square kilometres or 1.5 million square miles. The Pacific Northwest boasts about 11,000 members in almost 400 Kiwanis clubs.

The Reports section is a reminder that each club is part of a larger whole, with members from California to Alaska working to make this a better world.

You’re Making a Difference, So Why Not Share the News!

The Pacific Northwest District wants to publish information about a service project your club has done. The following guidelines will help get your information published:

**CONTENT**
- **CONTACT:** Contact name and telephone number.
- **CLUB:** Club, city, state/province, and division number.
- **EVENT:** Make sure to answer: what was done, why it was done, who benefited, when it occurred, how it was accomplished, etc.
- **ACCURACY:** Please double check all dates, locations, etc., and be sure that all names are spelled correctly. We do not have the resources to confirm this type of information.
- **PHOTOGRAPHS:** Photos should be interesting (e.g. no cheque handoffs or people shaking hands). Use as high a resolution as possible. Captions may not always be published, but it is helpful if you can identify subjects.

**HOLD TO SUBMIT**

EMAILS ONLY PLEASE. We prefer that written submissions be included in the text of an email. Submissions can also be sent as email attachments or on disk (3.5” floppy or CD-ROM). Flash drives are accepted, but keep in mind that disks or drives may not be returned.

TEXT FILES & FILE FORMATS: The best way to send text submissions is to include the text directly in your email rather than as an attachment.

PHOTOGRAPHS: Do not include photos within text documents; send as separate attachments in the highest resolution TIFF or JPEG file possible.

WHERE TO SEND: magazine@pnwkiwanis.org

**NEXT SUBMISSION DEADLINE:**
May 10 (Summer Issue)
Members of the Kiwanis Club of Palmer, Alaska help local 3rd graders “Look it up!”

The Kiwanis Club of Palmer first learned of The Dictionary Project (www.dictionaryproject.org) through a Kiwanis International magazine. The goal of this project is to assist students to become good writers, active readers and creative thinkers by providing students with their own personal dictionary. The dictionaries are a gift to each student to use at school and at home for years to come.

The Kiwanis Club of Palmer is a service club whose members became volunteer reading program assistants at Sherrod and Swanson Elementary Schools after the principal identified a need for help. Expanding our reading assistance efforts, in May 2007 we made a presentation of 140 kid-friendly dictionaries to Sherrod’s six 3rd grade classes. Sherrod Elementary School’s 3rd grade teacher (and team leader) Thomas Hermon believed that a third grade level dictionary would be an asset to help the students better understand the definition and meaning of a word. Our local tri-weekly newspaper, the Frontiersman, gave the project nice news coverage.

This school year we expanded our efforts and presented dictionaries to third graders at six elementary schools: Academy Charter, Butte, Fingerlake, Pioneer Peak, Sherrod and Sutton. In sharing our rewarding experiences, almost every time we talked about it, folks asked, “How can we help?” and handed us some money. The Goldduster Homemakers and Lazy River Family and Community Education Clubs partnered to provide dictionaries for six more schools: Cottonwood, Glacier View, Talkeetna, Meadow Lake, Trapper Creek, and Willow. One family gave a Christmas gift allowing the Kiwanis club to present ninety students at Snowshoe Elementary with a dictionary. We’ve covered more than half of the school district’s 1,145 students in this large borough, driving 60 miles to the NE and 90 miles to the NW from our club to make individual room presentations. One teacher found a fun and creative way to combine the weekly spelling words and the dictionary in an electronic game of “Dictionary Egg-spert,” while another teacher reported that her class explored their dictionary with a fun scavenger hunt. As our local bookstore owner believes, “Those who read for fun become volunteers.”

Submitted by Carole Henry
Kiwanis Protects Kelowna Children

Lorelei Macualay is a mom with young children at a Kelowna, BC elementary school. When she saw the congestion problems in the school car park, she was determined to find a safer solution for parents dropping off and collecting their children. The traffic flow was very erratic and parking was a nightmare. Many kids were being dropped off on a busy main road round the corner, running in front of other cars. Parents were often fighting with the school buses to get as close as possible to the school doors.

Lorelei, a member of the school parent advisory council (PAC) decided to research successful school safety programs and came across “Kiss and Ride” which has operated very successfully in many Ontario schools for some time. She enlisted the help and advice of the school district safety personnel, the local RCMP and then decided to approach service clubs to see if they might be able to help out with some volunteering.

The Kiwanis Club of Kelowna High Noon was delighted to be the exclusive supporter of the pilot project for the Watson Road Elementary Kiss and Ride program, following a presentation by Lorelei and some other concerned moms. Any initiative which has as its priority the safety of young children in their community is of paramount importance to Kelowna Kiwanians and the club has supported the project in its first year, both financially and via its members volunteering with the program.

The basic concept involves a one way drop off system, where parents pull up very briefly in a clearly designated area, do not leave their cars, kiss their kids goodbye while still in the car and then a volunteer opens the car door and escorts the children safely to the pavement right in front of the main door of the school. Other volunteers direct traffic and control drop offs when the school buses are arriving. The traffic flows smoothly, parents do not have to find parking and most importantly the children avoid any chance of a frightening accident and arrive safely at school.

Judith Brunt, President of the Kelowna Kiwanis High Noon Club says “As our club celebrated its 30th anniversary last summer, it is wonderful to see our club growing visibly in the public eye supporting worthwhile projects like this. Our members comprise so many community minded people who are willing to roll up their sleeves and get involved with an initiative like this where help is needed. The “Kiss and Ride” program launched at Watson Road Elementary School is a wonderful concept which embraces so well our mandate to serve the children of the world with particular emphasis on young children’s health, safety and education. We are now going to try to replicate the Kiwanis Kiss and Ride project at other schools that face similar traffic, parking and safety issues.”

In return for their financial support for traffic cones, safety vests, fluorescent winter jackets and the volunteer hours put in by Kiwanians, the school PAC recognized the club in front of the whole school at their Christmas assembly. They also arranged for a press conference involving school volunteers and the Kiwanis club representatives. The Kiwanis logo appears on all the traffic cones and signage as well as on the volunteers highly visible jackets. This project has been a win win for the club, its members, the school PAC and of course the children of Kelowna who benefit from a guaranteed safe and stress free arrival at school every day...for themselves and their parents!
Kiwanis Clubs Made the Season Brighter

The Kiwanis Club of Downtown Spokane hosted their annual Christmas Party for the kids of the Martin Luther King Center at CenterStage, the venue where the Club meets weekly. Santa and several of his helpers were also present. Each of the nearly 20 children present received several presents, donated through the generosity of Wheatland Bank. Each child received toys, gloves, caps, and scarves, and a large bag of food items. Kiwanis buys lunch for the children and Center staff.

This year again, helping to “ring the bells” for the Salvation Army in Spokane were the Kiwanis Clubs of Downtown Spokane, Country Homes, Liberty Lake, West Spokane, South Hill, and East Spokane. The thousands of dollars raised will assist many needy families in the area.

The Country Homes Kiwanis Club sold their custom Christmas tree ornaments again this year. Each year a different theme ornament is designed. The money is used to serve the children and families of a very low income area near where their club meets.

“Transitions, where women and children grow” is a Spokane service agency headed up by Executive Director Dia Maurer, a member of the Kiwanis Club of East Spokane. Over the Christmas Holidays they needed to move their administrative offices to another location in town, so several Kiwanians lent a hand. There were plenty of volunteers so the move went quickly and safely.

“First Night Spokane” is the Celebration of the Arts on New Years Eve. This year, the seventh annual event was another success as nearly 30,000 people braved single digit temperatures and lots of snow to visit many venues in downtown Spokane. Several Kiwanis Clubs and members of the Gonzaga University CKI Club volunteered at a number of children’s venues early in the evening. As CKI Inland Empire Lt Governor Brianna K’Burg stated at a recent meeting of the Downtown Club, “I’m not sure exactly what it was we were helping the kids make, but we all sure had a lot of fun helping them.”

Submitted by Chuck Young

The Post Falls Kiwanis Club were busy little elves in December. They managed to raise $700 from within their membership to make sure that a single mother and her 3 children, ages 3, 5, and 6, had a very Merry Christmas. They were able to provide food, clothing and toys for this family.

The children kept saying thank you, thank you, every time someone brought in a present and put it under their tree. The mother was moved to tears when we brought a case of toilet paper, paper towels, and laundry soap, that had been donated by one of the members company. She had asked for nothing for herself, but because the outpouring was so big from the membership, we were able to get a few personal items for her too.

The club also played Santa, Mrs. Santa, Rudolph and elves to over 150 children under 5 years old through its Santa Hotline Program. There were 12 members and 2 teens taking phone calls from children asking for different things for Christmas. Of course we tried to be reasonable when taking these request so as not to get their parents in trouble.

For an Administration Fund fundraiser, the club had a social to decorate wreaths, which they sold for $10 more than they cost. It was fun and members had a lot of fun showing their artistic side.

Kiwanians also gave out hats and gloves to over 100 children at seven local Elementary Schools in Post Falls and Coeur d’Alene.

Submitted by Louise Gillespie

Submitted by Peter Thiessen

Division 48

The Post Falls Kiwanis Club

Division 46

The Kiwanis Club of Trail completed another successful Christmas tree sale. For over 50 years the club has been the main supplier of Christmas trees for Trail and district. In the early years members would cut the trees but began purchasing them when the demand became too great to do the harvesting themselves.

From 40’ trees to 4-footers, the club has provided trees for homes and businesses for a reasonable price. Trees are purchased from the East Kootenay of BC and as far away as Nova Scotia.

The Kiwanis Club of Trail has sold as many as 2,000 trees in a single season, raising approximately $110,000 since 1996. These funds are returned to the community through projects and donations. The club assists a local high school group with the disposal of these trees in an environmental manner.

Submitted by Louise Gillespie
The second annual Kiwanis Polar Bear Bathtub Race was held at Nanaimo North Town Centre on January 26, 2008. This project raises funds and awareness to fight children’s diabetes. The event is a ‘cub-car’ race taking the bathtub-racing theme that Nanaimo is famous for, mixed with a little winter Polar Bear theme. The races feature a 40’-long, computer-timed racetrack with instantaneous results projected on a large screen to keep everyone aware of the standings.

The corporate community provided excellent support, the Loyal Nanaimo Bathtub Society had racing tubs on display, and commodore Bill McGuire was the official starter. The club had excellent support again from the local media including radio, television and newspaper. In-kind sponsors include t-shirts printing, prizes, award medals and signage.

Polar Bear Bathtub Racing Kits were made available at the Smile Centre of Nanaimo North Town Centre.

The Media Challenge series featured tubs from the local newspapers, and radio in a head to head race. Media support included Nanaimo News Bulletin, the defending champion, plus the Wolf and Wave Radio, Nanaimo Daily News and A Channel.

At the club’s very first event last year, approximately 125 people attended and $2,500 was raised for the Canadian Diabetes Association. This year’s goal was to raise $10,000 and to raise awareness of how diabetes can be prevented through diet and exercise.

Submitted by Garnet Hunt

The London Drugs store at Nanaimo North Town Centre, come on board as a Platinum Sponsor; manager Al Sherwood even talked some of his suppliers to support the Polar Bear Bathtub Race. Shown Inset: Jerry Jaggers of Thrifty’s Longwood Store, another Platinum Sponsor.

Division 17

Sixty volunteers from the clubs in Division 17 recently participated in an annual Kiwanis antique show and sale. Members provided over 300 hours of service. Half of the proceeds went to the municipality of Saanich, which provides facilities rent free and assists with the advertising and management of the event. Each of the clubs in town will receive approximately $300 for their efforts.

Division 17 also held an annual Christmas tree project, using a booth at a mall. With contributions from local Kiwanis clubs, a total of $2,500 was raised for the pediatric ward of Victoria General Hospital.

In the past, the division has raised money to redecorate the parents’ room in the ward and to purchase therapeutic toys for children. This year the division plans to purchase rocking chairs so that parents can sit in comfort with their children.

Submitted by Beulah Addicott

NANAIMO BC (pop. 79,000) is on the east coast of southern Vancouver Island and is the Island’s second-largest city.

Division 15

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VICTORIA •
ZONE E
BC’s Lower Mainland
NW Washington

Division 11

A retreat can be a wonderful and effective way to inject new, fresh ideas into a club. Kiwanis Club of Golden Ears, Maple Ridge did exactly that on January 12-13, staying at the beautiful Zajac Ranch in Mission, BC. Members gathered to think up new ideas on how to give the new year a real kick start, including all sorts of ways to fundraise, organize, connect with the community, etc., but most important was what we learned about ourselves.

A retreat is a great way to inject your club with new ideas and to get to know your fellow Kiwanians.

Zajac Ranch caters to hundreds of mentally or physically handicapped children every year; Golden Ears Kiwanis is a proud supporter.

Division 13

Imagine the busiest corner in your city. Take away the traffic lights, stop signs, line designation, walk signals and sidewalks and pepper the roadway with deep potholes. Add in pedestrians, cyclists, scooters, farm vehicles and antiquated buses and stray animals. Multiply the number of people by ten, and you’ll have an idea of what the citizens of the world’s developing nations deal with on a daily basis.

At the December Division Council meeting, Kiwanians from all the Clubs in Division 13, visitors from neighboring Division 18, Kiwanis and Key Club Lt. Governors and Key Club members from several high schools gathered to learn about Surgical Implant Generation Network (SIGN) and how Kiwanians can support this remarkable program that provides medical treatment to people in developing countries who have suffered serious bone fractures.

Jack Nicolson gave a brief history of Kiwanis involvement with the project. The head of the University of British Columbia’s Orthopaedic Department, Dr. Peter O’Brien, provided some sobering traumatic accident statistics for impoverished third-world countries, noting that in 2002, five million people died globally while another 30 million suffered permanent disability as a result of vehicle accidents.

The injured are treated at SIGN centres even when they have no money. A stainless steel rod is inserted through the large part of the leg bone to straighten it and is secured above and below the fracture with screws. By the next day they are able to stand (with the aid of crutches) and in three days to one week are back home with their families.

Submitted by Lenora Doyle

Division 18

In Abbotsford, BC, the MSA Golden K Kiwanis Club had a very nice article written in their local newspaper about their latest project: knitting dolls. They have made forty-seven soft dolls for the Schmidt Family Foundation. Past Lt. Governor Harry Schmidt is Chairman of the Foundation, with Harry, went to Cebu, the Philippines, where two homes support 80 children. Since last Spring, the club has sent 30 dolls to an orphanage in Kenya and 30 to one in the Ukraine. Each doll takes four to five hours to knit, plus the time to stuff them and sew on the arms, legs, and eyes.

The Kiwanis Club of Clearbrook in Abbotsford BC has a new literacy project for the Grade 7 class at one of their local middle schools. Many of the children need help with reading during class time, so one of the teachers suggested the Clearbrook members could help by reading to the students using the computer.

From their homes, members will access a website where they will read the passage into the computer and upload the voice file for the teacher. The teacher downloads the readings into MP3 players which the children can use during class time, so one of the teachers will archive the voice files, and the students can access them anytime they want.

The club is also starting a Builder’s Club at Abbotsford Middle School with about 40 students so far. The students will feed into the senior school where there is a Key Club.

The Kiwanis Club of Bellingham held its annual Theater Night/Silent Auction event on January 24, 2008. The club rented the theater, the members sold tickets, the actors put on a great play, and the audience enjoyed the theatre, refreshments and silent auction.

Submitted by Elizabeth Bennett

Division 20

See page 10-11.

Divisions 21, 22

See pages 2 - 3.
Horseback riding, swimming and toasting marshmallows over a campfire trigger wonderful childhood memories for many of us. But, to a child with medical or developmental disabilities these eight words conjure only daydreams.

Thanks to the efforts of five Olympic Peninsula Kiwanis Clubs, these activities are becoming a reality to children from throughout the Pacific Northwest including British Columbia. The Northwest Kiwanis Camp has provided residential summer camp programs for children and adults with special needs since 1989. Located on Beausite Lake in Chimacum, Washington, campers with disabilities such as Cerebral Palsy, Autism, Muscular Dystrophy and Downs Syndrome spend five fun-filled days fishing, swimming, horseback riding and creating memories that last a lifetime. Evening campfire entertainment is provided by local musicians, story tellers and performing artists. A field trip to the Marine Science Center at Fort Worden on Thursdays is followed by the ever popular Talent Show which attracts many folks to the outdoor stage to enjoy the campers’ performances.

Members of the three Port Angeles clubs joined the Port Townsend and Sequim Kiwanis clubs to support the camp staff and volunteered over 700 hours during the five one-week sessions held this summer. And, club members spend countless hours off-season fundraising to cover program expenses and provide scholarships. Some of their events include cutting cords of wood for resale, Christmas tree and peanut sales, a sunset cruise, a golf tournament, rummage sales and McTakeovers.

Additionally, the Pacific Northwest Foundation and Kiwanis Clubs from Anacortes, Gig Harbor, South Kitsap and South Whidbey Island provided scholarships for needy campers in 2007. Members of the Port Angeles High School Key Club not only worked as counselors and volunteered in pre and post-season work parties but raised $1,000.00 for the scholarship fund.

Word of the Northwest Kiwanis Camp is spreading nationwide with inquiries received from families throughout the country. The youth group from the Mountainview Baptist Church in Mountainview, Colorado chose to make The Northwest Kiwanis Camp their mission destination this summer and spent four days in June completing a variety of projects to ready the camp.

While turning daydreams into memories these Kiwanis Clubs are truly making a difference in the lives of many special children. www.kiwaniscamp.com

Division 34
Vashon Kiwanians pulled wallets as they heard Sue Nebecker’s story of how she and hundreds of others are giving quilted “hugs” to wounded American military folks returning from Iraq and Afghanistan.

She and her volunteers from all over American have sent 2,300 quilts as of Feb 19 and vow to keep it up for the “duration”. The wounded arrive at Madigan hospital at Fort Lewis with nothing but the pajamas they wear. Relatives usually don’t know they are back. They can’t call home. Then hospital personnel give them hand made quilts made just for them, each unique, Nebecker told Kiwanis.

“Why to have a complete stranger show such an extreme act of kindness gives me hope that it is going to be OK,” one veteran wrote.

She started doing this four years ago after watching the news on tv and itching to “make a difference”. The itch became unbearable when she learned of a young soldier so depressed when he returned from three tours over there that he committed suicide.

Posters around the Island led to a successful quilting bee when 80 islanders gathered at the Methodist church. Delivering their 100 hand sewn quilts to Madigan hospital an official asked, “When are you coming back?”

“I knew I’d started something I couldn’t quit,” Nebecker said. She called the quilts “hugs” from real people at home. Quilters attach a small patch that says “You are our hero. Thank you.”

Submitted by Jay Becker

Division 38, 40
See pages 2, 3 and 8.
Division 26
For the fifth year in a row, the Kiwanis Club of West Seattle hosted a concert of the Seattle Symphony. The event took place at the West Seattle High School Performing Arts Theatre and drew a packed house of classic music enthusiasts.

The annual event is sponsored by ACCESS, which funds admission-free concerts, making available to young people symphony music in local communities.

*Submitted by Karl Sutter*

The Kiwanis Club of Seattle sponsors several Kiwanis youth clubs. The Kiwanis Club of Seattle organizes work parties, working with the youth on various community projects. Clubs include Seattle University Circle K, Franklin High School Key Club, Garfield High School Key Club, First Place School K Kids, and Graham Hill Elementary K Kids.

On Saturday, March 31, 2007, Division 26 Lt. Governor Charter Harrison and President Aron English presented a check in the amount of $15,000 on behalf of Seattle Kiwanis Memorial Fund to Surgical Implant Generation Network, (SIGN). The contribution is to fund a new surgical center in a developing country to fix fractures. www.sign-post.org

Aron English helped to organize the construction of a new fence at the 85th Street Northwest Child location for a cost of $2,000. The previous fence was damaged in the storms last winter. www.northwestchild.org

The Seattle Kiwanis Memorial Fund donated $20,000 to the Detlef Schempf Foundation Auction benefitting First Place School Rise n Shine. The $20,000 was used as a match that helped raise a total of $43,000 from the Auction’s guests.

Division 28
Kirkland Kiwanis Christmas tree sales went great. They matched the money their Builders and Key clubs collected for trick-or-treating for UNICEF, they adopted two families for Thanksgiving, and they sent a care package to a service person in Afghanistan.

Bellevue Kiwanis feeds needy people at Highland Center and the Salvation Army, and they held a food drive for Hopelink.

Issaquah Kiwanis sold smoked salmon and held its annual community auction on April 26. The club is co-sponsoring a new Key Club with Sammamish at Cascade High School. They adopted 2 needy families for Christmas and sent a care package to a soldier in Iraq. Issaquah Valley Kiwanis continues to support the food bank. They adopted one family and aided in a scout merit badge library.

Northshore Kiwanis sold over 300 cases of fruit and raised money for the Salvation Army.

Providence Point Kiwanis members mentor in schools and chartered another K-kids club. They also pick up food for the Issaquah food bank (seven tons last year).

Sammamish Kiwanis collected coats for Nightwatch, sold hand warmers, did Christmas decorating and did Christmas caroling. They sent care packages to Iraq, did bell-ringing for the Salvation Army with help from Key Club, and support needy families.

Division 30
Division 30 Lt. Governor Charlie Nordeck survived a difficult membership induction: his wife of 41 years, Nancy Nordeck, joined the Daffodil Valley club. Nancy recently retired from teaching; she attended the Tacoma Convention, where she worked in the registration booth for the Alzheimer’s Walk. In November she officially joined the club and has taken part in three club service projects with the Salvation Army, the Sumner Food Bank and our annual caroling and gift distribution at a local nursing home. Daffodil Valley president, Peggy Burrough, has asked Nancy to start the BUG Program at a local school.

Division 32
On December 18, excited kids went to school to see Santa Claus. Each year the Renton and Greater Renton Kiwanis Clubs and Optimist International of Renton collaborate by hosting a party for 80 or more children. Club members are given the name of a child to buy for and on the day of the party pick up the children and bring them to the First Methodist Church where the party is held. As the children arrive, Christmas carols are played on the piano and entertainment is provided by Ronald McDonald. Afer lunch Santa Claus appeared, calling out names of each child attending and presenting each with a gift. After the festivities, the children headed back to school with smiles on their faces that would not fade. A special thanks to Roxanne Hanson, President of Kiwanis of Renton for leading this project.

*Submitted by Pat Auten*

The Kiwanis Club of Kent – AM knows that children of all ages still LOVE to sit on Santa’s lap! On December 6th, the Club hosted a fun-filled Christmas celebration for the residents of Titus Court, a senior housing community in Kent, Washington. Nearly 40 “forever young” seniors either visited Santa, or were surprised when he visited them! The party was even more festive when the Kent Meridian Key Clubbers serenaded the residents with traditional and not-so-traditional Christmas carols. This led to a much-loved sing-along by all those attending. The Club took the party to the apartments of those unable to join the celebration in the community.

*Submitted by Michele Campbell*
birth of their babies.

“This is truly a community effort,” said Ross Johnson, Lt. Gov. of Div. 44. “What makes me excited is to see not only the individual clubs doing community work, but then to see them working together on a large project. Truly, many hands make light work. We are already making plans for next years Babies In Need project.”

Battle Ground, Boulevard, Cascade Park, Fort Vancouver, and Salmon Creek Kiwanis clubs participated.

Submitted by Ross Johnson

Division 62

The Kiwanis Club of Portland Foundation arranged a trip to Branson, Missouri, from April 12 - 21, 2008. Branson MO has more theater seats than Broadway, with magic shows, rock and roll, country, family harmonies, comedy, variety, dinner shows, and gospel.

The 10-day luxury bus tour to Branson was a fundraiser to benefit Mt. Hood Camp for children with disabilities, the Doernbecher Hospital Children’s Cancer Program, youth scholarships, and other worthy causes. The tour included five shows, a tour of the Ozark Mountain areas surrounding Branson, visits to the Mall of America in Minneapolis, and the Harry S. Truman Presidential Museum and Library.

Submitted by Carole Satterfield

Division 66

Oregon City High School had over a dozen Key Clubbers feeding the homeless on Sunday, November 18th, in downtown Portland. It was cold and pouring down rain but it did not stop them. They fixed hot French toast, hash browns, hot cocoa, coffee, etc.

Submitted by Laura Parsons
Maureen Mould is the President-Elect of Kamiakian Kiwanis in Yakima. She serves on the Youth Committee and is the coordinator of the K-Kids Club at Union Gap Elementary School.

For the past 12 years she has been a compassionate clown, traveling the world over to bring a smile to those less fortunate. When the floods hit western Washington in early December, she quickly organized a clown outreach to Chehalis (see pages 3-4).

The K-Kids Club began a sock drive in March. Its goal is to collect 2,400 pairs of socks for the kids in 6 Centralia schools. Maureen’s clown troupe plans on going to Centralia in May to perform for the schools and deliver the socks and gift cards. They’re calling the project: “Knock Their Socks On in Centralia.”

Submitted by Maureen Mould

Division 52

The Kiwanis Club of Wacoka of Cashmere’s big project for December was the “Christmas Store” in conjunction with the Cashmere Food Bank. Boxes for donations of food and gifts were placed in at least six local businesses. A total of 250 needy families in the Cashmere area received boxes of food and gifts. Each parent was allowed to choose one new and one used toy, plus a stuffed animal for each child in their family. In addition to the toys, each child received socks and underwear, and a hat or mittens.

The Riverview Kiwanis Club provided $200 in baby food to the local food bank and donated $200 to the Antioch Adoptions. The club provided snow boots for 29 children and a gingerbread house party with 30 children. Members volunteered at Newberry school and Juvenile Court. Members collected and distributed Christmas food baskets to 15 need families and 5 senior shut-ins.

The Eastmont Kiwanis of East Wenatchee and the Eastmond Key Club did bell-ringing for the Salvation Army. The Hard Times lunch generated $182 and went to Angel Tree. $200 was donated to Haven of Hope and $300 to the Humane Society.

With assistance from the Wenatchee High Key Club, the Wenatchee Kiwanis Downtown Club held a Children’s Christmas party for special children from the Wenatchee grade schools as well as Head Start children. Children were all given new coats. Santa & Mrs. Claus provided about $1,000 of Kiwanis Gifts. Gifts valued at approximately $1,000. The club donated $800 of toys to the Salvation Army, including 180 teddy bears given to the Wenatchee Kiwanis Club by the Ernie Hobbs’ Insurance Agency. The club put together the Children’s Christmas party, rang the bell for the Salvation Army, contributed about 300 pounds of food and $265 in cash for the Salvation Army Food Drive.

The Kelawani of Wenatchee Kiwanis has a Builders Team for their assistance with the event.

Submitted by Gary Schroeder

Division 54

On November 17, 2007 the Kiwanis Club of Dayton hosted their 21st annual Turkey Bingo fund-raiser, held the Saturday before Thanksgiving. Almost 400 people attended, with over 45 games of bingo played over 5 hours. Winners for each game receive a Thanksgiving turkey and other donated prizes. Winners of five “blackout” games receive major prizes, including hotel/restaurant packages, golf/casino trips, ski season tickets and wine tours. Over 135 turkeys were given away and more than 700 pounds of food products were collected for the Dayton Food Bank.

The proceeds help support the Dayton Kiwanis Scholarship Fund, summer youth movies, Missoula Summer Children’s Theater, Friends of the Pool and Library. Donations will also be made to the local Boy Scout Troop, Dayton High School Freshman Class and the High School Girls’ Basketball Team for their assistance with the event.

Submitted by Mike McCourt
The Fern Ridge Kiwanis Club, with a membership of 25 and in a community of approximately 6,500 people about 15 miles from Eugene, sponsors a Holiday Food drive each year. They send letters to members and businesses in the community asking for donations. They spend four weekends at the local market collecting food and money. They help the local Fire Department to “Stuff the Truck” which is very successful in collection of food and money.

By the numbers:

Twelve Kiwanians spent 78 hours on the project along with volunteers from the Boys Scouts, the Key Club, all of the schools in the area, the Community Chest and other community members.

- 16,000 lbs of food was collected along with $6,000 in donations, which were used to buy another 6,000 lbs.
- 223 food baskets were given out which helped feed 783 people, of which 500 were children.
- 55 volunteers sorted and filled the food baskets; 50 volunteers helped distribute the baskets. The excess money they received went to the Community Food Bank so they could provide certificates to Ray’s Food Market for those in need to get emergency supplies.

It is one of their major projects and, having done it for several years, it gets better and easier every year and is one they look forward to.

Submitted by Eileen Sanders

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Moses Lake third graders presented with free dictionaries

By Chrystal Doucette, Staff Writer, Columbia Basin Herald (reprinted with permission)

MOSES LAKE — More than 600 Moses Lake children received free dictionaries this week from the Moses Lake Kiwanis.

Kiwanis President Dean Mitchell said the Kiwanis purchase dictionaries each year for all third-grade students.

“I know that the dictionary I got, I got in junior high and I kept it all the way through college,” Mitchell said.

Member Tom Heath said four years ago when the program started, he expected to see a “lukewarm” response from students.

“Honestly, what we found as a club is the reaction from the kids is quite the opposite,” Heath said. “They’re really excited.”

For some disadvantaged children, the dictionary may be the only book they own, he said. Students are encouraged to write their name in their book as soon as they receive it.

“We encourage them to use it in the classroom, use it at home,” he said.

The Kiwanis hope each year they give every Moses Lake third-grade student a dictionary, whether the student is in public, private or home school, Heath said.

“I think (dictionaries are) such a fundamental part of education for these young children,” he said. “It has so many uses, from spelling to definitions.”

As part of the program, Kiwanis members show the students how to use the dictionaries. Activities could include having students pick an unfamiliar word from the dictionary and reading the definition aloud, or selecting a few words for students to look up.

Heath said the Kiwanis try to introduce students to extra resources the dictionary may contain, such as a list of commonly misspelled words.

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Kiwanis International: Serving the Children of the World One child and one Community at a Time
Division 82 Kiwanians made themselves proud this past Holiday Season. Throughout the Rogue Valley, Kiwanians were collecting toys for underprivileged children, ringing bells for the Salvation Army, and raising money for community projects.

Grants Pass Kiwanis in cooperation with the Rotary Club, Hidden Valley High School, the club’s College Dreams Program and the local Retired Seniors Volunteer Program collected and distributed toys to over 1,162 children. Many of the toys augmented Christmas Basket programs serving Grants Pass and the surrounding communities.

Ashland, Jacksonville, Medford and Table Rock Kiwanis clubs joined forces on “Kiwanis Bell Ringing Days”. They raised $5,232, the most they had raised since at least 1994.

Beginning in mid-November, the Caveman Kiwanis Club of Grants Pass, the Jackson- ville Kiwanis Club, the Rogue River Kiwanis Club and the Table Rock Kiwanis Club were busy with their annual See’s Candy sales. Funds raised will be distributed to several local Kiwanis Projects including: Children’s Advocacy, Special Olympics, Senior Meal Sites, Bicycle Safety Helmets, Child Safety Seats, reading programs, college scholarships, Boy & Girl Scout camperships, and other worthy projects.

The Caveman Kiwanis coordinates See’s Candy Sales with 12 other PNW clubs. Sales totalled over $350,000 in 2007, which will help fund projects in those communities.

On January 19, all eight Div. 82 clubs assembled 52 World Vision AIDS-HIV Caregiver kits which the clubs and individual members purchased.

Submitted by Claudell King

Division 84

In early 2005, Jack Runnels of Weed-Lake Shasta CA Kiwanis spent several days at Lake Chapala, 50 miles south of Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico, visiting long-time Navy friends, expatriates who had become involved in the welfare of the local communities, especially those of Chapala and Ajijic and had served on the Board of Directors of a volunteer-based (Mexican, Canadian and American) educational charity, “Los Ninos de Chapala y Ajijic” or “NCA”.

Jack was convinced to sponsor a student at the University of Guadalajara. He shared his experience and commitment to NCA with his Kiwanis club, and soon the club was sponsoring six more Los Ninos children in grade school and junior high school. The photographs and family situations of the children are compelling, as is the NCA program. Over its 37 years NCA estimates over 1,150 children have been helped through various levels of education. Currently 270 children and young adults are receiving sponsorships. Alumni include doctors, nurses, lawyers, engineers, teachers, etc., from a school system in which the average time spent in elementary school is only 4½ years.

In May 2007 Jack and his wife, Linda Sue, spent a week in the Lake Chapala area, visiting the two NCA offices, several schools and an NCA-supported orphanage. They interviewed several of the participants and NCA Board members. They compiled a video that in October 2007 was sent as a Kiwanis donation to the NCA Board to use in fundraising efforts.

Annual costs to provide 1/3 to 1/2 support (tuition, school supplies, uniforms, sometimes room/board) for a child ranges from $75 (Elementary) to $1,150 (University).

Contact Jack at (530) 926-6762 jbrvolunteer@gotsky.com www.lakesideninos.org

Submitted by Jack Runnels

The Linkville Kiwanis of Klamath Falls held their annual Christmas party for 45 of our community’s special needs kids in December. The club has sponsored this annual project for more than 25 years. Over 150 people attended this year, including 20 Kiwanians and 12 Key Club members.

McDonald’s donated Happy Meals for the kids and meals for their families and teachers. Wal-Mart donated decorated cookies and chips. The Events Center provided a free venue.

The Kiwanis members provided a Christmas tree and decorations. Santa Claus handed out gifts that the club members had purchased and wrapped based on a list of what each child wanted. Kiwanis members were dressed in red and white vests, made by club member Connie Gastaldi.

Sherry McManus was chair, with help from Linkville Kiwanians and Key Clubbers.

Submitted by Connie Gastaldi
Canby Kiwanis has been conducting a toy and food drive at Christmas time for over forty years. The biggest problem they have is finding a suitable warehouse to sort toys and food for 300 to 400 families and 900 to 1,200 children. Every year a place seems to appear at the last minute. For the past four years it was a 10,000 square foot cold warehouse.

This whole process is a community affair. One high school, two middle schools and four elementary schools hold food and toy drives, the Canby Fire Department canvasses the town for food in the fire truck, and there are 30 donation barrels in businesses around town. This year over 13 tons of food was donated. Each year Canby Kiwanis buys gift cards from Cutsforth Thriftway, so each family can purchase fresh vegetables, bread, milk, chicken or what ever they want, with the exception of alcohol or tobacco. About 8 tons of food went out to the families and about 5 tons of extra food went to the food bank.

Expenditures totalled $3,600 for food gift cards and almost $3,000 for toys. There were many generous donations from the public. There were three major donations from Canby TelCom, Shimadzu USA, and Canby Rotary Club totaling $5,000.

It is hard to estimate, but about 206 people hours were expended in sorting the food and toys. Nineteen members of the Canby Rotary came by one night to help in sorting and literally put the project a whole day ahead of schedule. Many families and individuals also came to help get ready for our distribution day.

The Boy Scouts and Roth Heating (10 of their vans) helped in delivering the food boxes and toys that were not picked up by the individual families, helped load the leftover food for the food bank, and helped clean up the warehouse.

Although Canby Kiwanis spearheads the project, it is truly a community effort. This year they were able to give food to over 1,600 people and gifts to over 900 children. It is wonderful to see schools, businesses, organizations, churches and individuals work together for the success of this tremendous project.

Submitted by Keith Murphy

The Stayton Kiwanis Club lost one of its founders, Mick Klamp, last year. He was not only a Kiwanian but also a dedicated bell-ringer for the Salvation Army’s Christmas kettle fundraiser. To honor his contributions, the Stayton Christmas kettles were dedicated in his memory. Though he may have passed on, his wife, Helen, continues to ring the bell.
Sylvester Neal serves as the Honorary Chair for PNW’s SIGN project. SIGN stands for Surgical Implant Generating Network and addresses the need for neglected fracture care in more than 40 developing countries of the world. Through this project, he is inspiring Kiwanians, Clubs, and Divisions to help heal broken bones and restore broken families in developing countries. In late 2007, he visited Africa, touring hospitals in Kisumu and Mombasa. In Eldoret a SIGN clinic was dedicated in his name (and in the name of his lovely wife, Doris).

For information on the SIGN program, visit www.sign-post.org

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I am thankful in ways that I had not experienced before. Be Blessed.

Sylvester & Doris Neal

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Sylvester Neal Visits SIGN Clinic Named in His Honor

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International Trustee Sylvester Neal visited Africa to promote the African Partnership Program and to visit former CKI Governor Rachelle Strawther and the Kisumu Kiwanis. He shared these photos on his return.

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