

# Kiwanis Club of Greater Federal Way



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**Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world  
one child and one community at a time**

**Bulletin for March 2010 ~ Don Barrows, editor.**

## **UPCOMING PROGRAMS & EVENTS**

April 03 Senior Spaghetti Feed at Senior Center  
April 24 Wine Tasting Party at Castle Bridge  
May 8 Opening Day of Local Farmers Market  
May 29 Furniture Sale as Club Fund Raiser  
Jn 24-27 Int. Kiwanis Convention in Las Vegas  
Jn 25-26 Community Relay for Life at Saghali Field  
July 16 Annual Club Golf Tournament at 1:30 PM

**MISSING SECRETARY.** Don and Lucille spent a couple of months in what Arizona public relations said was SUNNY ARIZONA. Truth is, weather was probably just as nice here in the Northwest. At any rate, a lot has happened in our club while the editor was gone, so here is a newsletter to attempt to get our news up-to-date. A couple of different "newsletter venues" were attempted, but failed. So folks, this ain't pretty, but it's done.

**CLUB MEETS AT SENIOR CENTER** There was a good turnout of members for our February 9<sup>th</sup> meeting at the Federal Way Senior Center. One of our newest members, Rusty Ford, and his crew prepared a delicious breakfast. Our speaker was an outstanding young man, Christopher Ochs, who excellently presented his Eagle Scout Project. His project includes, cleaning up and re-paving the basketball court at St. Vincent DePaul School. Chris stated that the basketball court would be open to all the public. Christopher has put over two years of work on this project. Our club donated \$100 to help fund this worthwhile project.

Submitted by Carole Abernathy

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## **Meeting Times**

*Tuesdays at 7:30 AM*

## **Meeting Place**

**Denny's Family Restaurant**  
2120 South 320<sup>th</sup> Street  
Federal Way, Washington



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**VERA HARPER MEMORIAL SERVICE.** Vera Harper, long time President of the Kiwanis Club of Des Moines passed away recently. I felt fortunate to have attended Vera Harper's memorial service and to learn about a woman who was an example for good in more ways and places than one could ever hope to imagine. The church was packed with friends and colleagues who were there to honor Vera for her tireless work with her church, Kiwanis, nursing homes, aid organizations, Key Club, needy people, her church choir. Yes, Vera had a deep love for people. I was just stunned by all the activities she was part of for most of her life. Many friends came forward to tell about Vera and all her work in this or that organization. She touched so many lives and engaged in so much good works. There were about a dozen Kiwanis members present, many of whom had known Vera for many years and shared stories about her with the rest of the gathering. I didn't know much about Vera and all the people she had touched with her life. It's interesting to me how we learn about the beautiful parts of a person's life only after they have left us. Almost seems unfair and backward that it happens this way. I guess we just take each other for granite while they are alive and with us. Vera Harper, what a special person she was. – Submitted by Wayne Triplett

**WINE TASTING PARTY.** Our Club has set the date for our annual "Wine Tasting Party". Bev and Carole are co-chairman for this project. A fun evening is planned including: Wine Tasting, Private Club Label Wine to purchase, Music, Hors d'oeuvres, Silent Auction, 50/50 Raffle, Prizes and more. Please contact Carole for tickets. We are asking members to donate items to be included in gift baskets. This could be a very profitable project; but we need the club members to donate items, sell tickets and attend! - Carole Abernathy.

**FEDERAL WAY FARMERS MARKET.** Saturday May 8 the Farmers Market will open again this year at the Commons Mall in Federal Way. (Please note that this is the day before Mother's Day). Once again our club has the privilege of selling our famous "onion burgers", but we need your help to make it successful. We must set up by 9:00 a.m. and we will serve from 10:30 a.m. until closing. Then we clean up and head for home. We will have two shifts: One from 8:30 a.m. to noon and one from noon to 3:30 p.m. Please call President Donovan and sign up for either shift. (Or both)!! We will have some help from the Thomas Jefferson Key Club. Here's a wonderful public relations opportunity to present our Greater Federal Way Kiwanis Club to our fellow neighbors. Who knows, we might even ask someone to join our club and help our membership grow. (Note: The Lions club will be serving breakfast until 10:30 so you can join them if you are hungry). Article submitted by Dick Mayer

**BUILDERS CLUB.** The Builders Club at Totem is been an exciting new project for our club this year. I'm so glad that I am able to be a part of it. We now have about 10 students that come to our meeting regularly, we almost always have 1 new student each week. They join because a friend told them about Builders Club. They come, at this age because a friend is there, they feel safe with their friends. We have new officers, all 6<sup>th</sup> graders, but each with new ideas and what looks like a busy spring. Some of the students who left to participate in sports have returned, which is a good sign that they enjoy Builders Club. Submitted by Beverly Triplett

**GREATER FEDERAL WAY CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT** Mike Knorr has made contact with the management at **Whispering Firs, McChord Air Force Base** to set the date for our 2010 golf tournament. Circle Friday, July 16<sup>th</sup> on your home calendars for this very important event. Get the word out to all of your golfing friends. This year we have a new starting time that we feel will be positive for our golfing friends. Instead of a 7:30 AM, **this year we will start at 1:30 PM!!** Our club service projects depend upon this event being a success.