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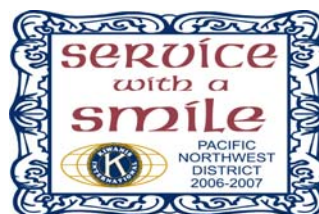
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**TOGETHER WE CAN
MAKE A *Difference!***



This month we met our requirements for the "Round Robin" award as we visited our final club, the

Kiwanis Club of Des Moines on May 14th.

A big "THANK YOU!" to our Interclub Chair, **Linda Purlee** for keeping us focused on this part of being a "Kiwanian". It seems to be true that Kiwanis has greatly "watered down" this award by giving opportunities to compile interclubs in a myriad of ways. However, by visiting as many of our neighboring clubs as possible we can always learn fresh, new ideas. The **May Divisional Council** meeting was attended by Don, Donovan K. Bev & Wayne T. Again, much can be learned at this meeting as we see what's happening around our Division. Sadly, the Rio Verde Club will dissolve at the end of this year. See our calendar below for Rio Verde Event -db

Membership Growth Keeps Us Healthy

In 2007 we achieved our membership growth goal by adding seven new members to our club. Since we added 7 in 2007 seemed logical to add 8 in 2008. And it appears this goal was very realistic because we already have 7 new members for this year. Just one to go before the end of September. JUST ASK!

1-2-3 FOR GROWTH. Kiwanis International presents an award for each sponsored member brought into our club during the year; a bronze key for one new member, silver key for two new members and a gold key for three new sponsored members. Joe Martinez has sponsored three new members this year so he is eligible for a gold key. Jim Abernathy, Don Barrows, Donovan Knight, and Wayne Moritz have each sponsored one new member this year so they are eligible for bronze keys. As our friend Jim Schwend says, **“Just ask!”**.



RUBY K AWARD. This sounds like a beautiful award for that member who, throughout his/her years as a Kiwanian sponsored at least five new members into Kiwanis. I know you're out there. Please send me a list of the five Kiwanians (past or present) that you sponsored and I'll get the paperwork started for you.

May 17th a Busy Saturday for GFW

On Saturday, the 17th our Division 32 annual leadership training session was held in Kent. Three of our officers, Donovan Knight – President, Wayne Triplett – Incoming President, and Don Barrows – Secretary, participated in a very informative seven hour session! Some 21 member hours spent to insure that 2008-2009 will be another successful year for our club. So much information was taken in that it is another reminder of how immense Kiwanis is. Here's a sample:

- You can help spread the word about Kiwanis by sending your bulletins to your local newspapers.
- When it comes time to search for the real needs of your community, contact a United Way representative to come talk to you.

- Thought: “Vision without action is daydreaming; action without vision is a nightmare”.
- If a member misses more than two meetings, call to let him/her know they are missed.
- Announce to your community every time you have a service project or a special speaker!
- Each club should schedule a social event quarterly. Kiwanis is made of volunteers and these members must have fun!
- Kiwanis Clubs are in the shipping business: friend-shipping, fellowshipping, partner-shipping, leader-shipping, (add your own...)
- What needs do the children and seniors in our community have? How can we help them? We are like-minded people who “see needs and work to fill them”.
- Purpose of KI: “to improve lives through fellowship in service worldwide.
- Leaders, focus on the strengths of your individual members. If they can't keep their own checkbook straight, don't push them to become your club treasurer.
- Do things personally whenever possible. Have your hand out and people will take it and shake it. Smile and people will respond to you. Give your members positive strokes.
- **“I'd rather have 1% of 100 people's efforts than 100% of one person's efforts.”**
– John Paul Getty
- Have you held an office or a committee chair for more than 5 years? It's not fair for me to have a monopoly on all this fun! Share it with another.
- Remember we are a volunteer group. We may have lots of time, but others may be strapped for time. Leaders remember to get everyone involved with a project whenever possible.
- Weekly meetings. Most people will decide if they want to join you by the way you conduct your meetings. Be time conscious! Be sure to welcome your new guest!!! Show them we want them included in this wonderful club.

Now you have just a light sampling of why it is important for your club officers to attend a leadership training workshop on the hottest day of the year so far. There was much more, but finger cramps came into play.

2008 RELAY FOR LIFE

This event also took place on Saturday. There were some 12 members and 36 key clubbers present at one time or another. Our club once again cooked their world famous (at least in Federal Way) "onion-burgers". The cooking started around 2:00 pm and went until 7:00 pm. Numbers at the Relay were down considerably from past years; possibly due to the very hot weather, but so far \$65,000 has been raised for cancer research.

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Weekly Programs You Can Be Proud of

Our speakers chair, Beverly Triplett, has been scheduling wonderful programs for our club meeting. On the 15th we had speakers from the **Tacoma Art Museum**; an extremely interesting and informative meeting. Tacoma is so close, yet most of us know little about the city's many sites and activities. After today, many of us will make it a point to visit the **Tacoma Art Museum**. The 13th, Josie Wilkes, from the **Tacoma Rainiers** visited our club. Many of us are now Rainiers fans! Josie says they may not be able to help us this year with a prize gift, but she is willing to ride our "beer cart" at the annual golf tournament. Josie, you've got a deal! On the 20th our friend, from the **Tacoma Astronomical Society** returned for Part II of his talk on our magical universe. There is so much interesting material here that Pat III must follow at a future date. Finally, next Monday, the 27th our program is "**Tall Ships return to Tacoma**", which should be most interesting. We have placed public announcements in both local newspapers. Bring a friend to Kiwanis and let them see first hand the "Best Kept Secret in Federal Way"!

Minutes of the April Board Meeting

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT Wayne Moritz, Beverly Triplett, Wayne Triplett, Cindy Raboin, David Grohs, Ruth Grohs,, Ernie Sterba, Don Barrows

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES m/s/p

CORRESPONDENCE Received "Thank You" note from Tami English, chair of the NWBA Varsity National Championship Tournament for our help in making this Kiwanis sponsored event a huge success.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS OF BILLS m/s/p to recommend to the club purchase a "Sees Candy" starter kit in the amount of \$350 to sell at various club functions as an additional fund raiser.

TREASURER'S REPORT m/s/p as presented

STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Key Club. m/s/p to accept all proposed and on-going Key Club projects

Special Olympics Baseball Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, July 19th

Relay for Life. selling onion burgers and hotdogs on Saturday from 2 to 7 pm Gene Caudil head cook.

Red, White, and Blues Festival selling onion burgers. Joe Martinez head cook.

Road Cleanup postponed until weather improves.

Night Out for Crime August 5th was accepted by the membership as a club project.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS **Golf Tournament** is our main fund raiser and needs more support from all club members. JUST ASK!

NEW BUSINESS m/s/p International voting delegates Ruth Grohs and Beverly Triplett with alternates: David Grohs and Wayne Triplett. Don to send this Form to KI.

ADJOURNMENT m/s/p to adjourn at 9:00 am. The time of our May meeting to be announced..

Submitted by:
Don Barrows, Secretary

Schedule of Coming Club Events

5/27.....Key Club end of the Year Banquet
6/21.....Outdoor Furniture Sale at FW Wal-Mart
6/26-29.....KI Convention, Orlando, Florida
7/04.Onion Burgers at Red, White and Blues Day
7/18.....Charity Golf tournament, McChord AFB
7/19.....Special Olympics Baseball Tournament
8/05“Night Out Against Crime”
8/14-17.....PNW Convention, Kennewick
8/23.....Classic Car Show at The Commons
8/26.....Rio Verde Remembrance Party
9/06.....Outdoor Furniture Sale at FW Wal-Mart