

Kiwanis Club of Greater Federal Way

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Club Newsletter for the week of October 02, 2007

2008 Club Officers: President ~ Donovan Knight, President Elect ~ Wayne Triplett, Past President ~ Wayne Moritz, Treasurer ~ Beverly Triplett, Secretary ~ Don Barrows

Meeting Place: Our club is currently meeting at Denny's Restaurant located at 2625 S. 320th Street in Federal Way on Tuesday mornings at 7:30 AM. Visitors are always welcome!

Weekly Meeting 15 members were present with a great program presented by Kevin Morris and Harold Hurst on Federal Way's "Off Leash Dog Park", which is located on First Avenue next to the Fire Department Headquarters at the park officially known as French Lake Park. The park is jointly owned by the City of Federal Way and Lakehurst Water District. The large pond on the property is in need of major repair. Our club may not have much of a budget to help them out, but we certainly can give "sweat equity" right? Don plans to make contact for these two gentlemen with the noon club that has some political power that might be able to help back this project.

25% Growth Our club started the year with 19 members and ended with 25, which means we hit our goal of 25% increase in membership. I think the theme **7 in 2007, 8 in 2008** is most fitting don't you?

Key Korner There were 10,000 teenagers in Key Club International this past year. Our children are gifts from God. It is our mission to make them successful. That's why we are committed to this fine organization. There were 150 teenagers at Wednesday's meeting and Faculty Advisor, Mr. Stewart, informed us that 70 students are now paid members of Key Club. Mr. Stewart goes in for surgery on October 23rd so that week we will have another staff member present. Since the last Wednesday is the 31st, Halloween, there will not be a meeting that week.

Interclubs We had our first interclub of the new year Wednesday at the key club meeting with four Kiwanians present. Here we go again! Another great year is underway.

Kiwanis Education. We who have been in Kiwanis probably know the material covered in this article, but we need to be sure our new members are brought up to speed as well. There are many other **Kiwanis organizations for young people and children.** **Builders Club** for junior/middle school students. **K-Kids** for elementary students who want to do service for others less fortunate. **Terrific Kids** – a program to recognize student progress in the classroom, **BUG (Bringing Up Grades)** to give elementary students uncentives/awards for improving in school. They all take Kiwanis members who are willing to step forward and take these new projects on. Feel called?

Dues are Due It's that time of year again. Since our club anniversary date is October 24th (that's close anyway) we are in the first group of Kiwanians to be billed. Remember Kiwanis International made a plicy that any club growing by 25% would receive all the dues of their new members back after making sure all our members got their dues paid on time. I have a list of current members to send to International. If you haven't told me otherwise, I am taking it that you are intending to pay your 2008 dues at some time soon. Right assumption?

Our Goal: Helping Children ~ The most vulnerable of our society