

Kiwanis Club of Greater Federal Way

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Club Newsletter for the week of October 23, 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: Today we had 18 members in attendance and David Paux (as in Po long o) came as Don's guest to breakfast. Remember, "Just Ask". I remembered seeing David at our evening session to get our health cards renewed at St. Vincents. Come join us again, David! Our speakers for today were "no shows" so we did club business and left a bit early. Help us find more interesting speakers for Kiwanis.

REMINDER: Next week we will hold our annual club meeting where President Donovan Knight will present his 2008 club budget and members will take the "Annual Club Survey" as well as look over our 2008 budget. Let's all try to attend and have a voice in this very important meeting.

Key Club Corner: Another exciting week at the Key Club meeting with 130 students in attendance. So far the Key Clubbers have raised \$176 for UNICEF (United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund). Are these kids on a roll or what! Let's pass a "Trick or treat for UNICEF" box around next Wednesday! Reminder, no Key Club meeting this next week because there will be school conferences held. A reminder... There will be no Key Club meeting next Wednesday, October 31st.

Senior Social #1 for 2008: I want to get this letter out early to remind you of Saturday's spaghetti feed for seniors. I called it a spaghetti dinner at Key Club and they said, "But it's not a dinner if it's at noon". So I must remember to call it a Senior Social or Spaghetti Feed. Anyway 22 Key Clubbers plus 9 Kiwanians are signed up to work this event. I think from now on we must be more assertive and make flyers, invite others, etc. because it seems the communications at the senior center may not be the best...

Kiwanis Facts: Much of this information is for the purpose of educating our new members, but it's good for us all to re-visit our past year's activities. Some times it's good to see the various projects in which our club participates. On the annual report I am to send to Kiwanis International, they ask for our various service projects, so here it is for you as well. See errors? Let your secretary know:

Thomas Jefferson High School Key Club

We are excited about our Kiwanis Key Club at Thomas Jefferson High School. Last year we had 123 paid members; making our club a true MEGA CLUB! This year we've had as many as 150 teenagers at our weekly meetings and so far we have 120 paid members! Not only that, but these teenagers help us with our various service projects in SPADES!

Supporting Seniors in Our Community

We support our local senior center every month with a stipend to assist them in meeting their operating expenses. Besides this monetary support, we enjoy providing a spaghetti dinner for seniors in our community every three months of the year. This also provides another service opportunity for our very active Jefferson HS Key Clubbers.

Relay for Life

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Federal Way enjoys assisting the American Cancer Society's local "Relay for Life" in Federal Way by providing warm dinners for all participants. Club members and key clubbers also developed a number of fund raising teams.

Highway Beautification

Members assemble a number of times each year to keep Dash Point Road from 1st Avenue to 312th free of litter. It may be a little thing, but does that stretch of road ever look beautiful after the Kiwanians get to it. Again, we always have superb participation from our Jefferson High School Key Club.

Day of Caring

Each fall various companies in the Federal Way area allow their employees to join in a county wide jump start of the United Way campaign called "Day of Caring". Our Kiwanis club always looks forward to preparing lunch to the volunteers who come to the Multi-Service Center to help with our local Food Bank. Again, it's the little things that count.

Community Food and Toy Drive

During the months of November and December our Kiwanis members assist our community food and toy drive by contacting counselors at our 22 elementary schools in who help us come up with 100 needy families. We join our community's fire fighters in providing enough food to feed their families for a week and a number of wrapped gifts for each child. Last year this amounted to gifts for over 400 needy children in our community. Finding the families in need, wrapping gifts, and then becoming Santas as we deliver food and gifts; what a way to get into the spirit of the season. Yes, Kiwanis members truly give.

Special Olympics Baseball Tournament

Every July you can find us providing a free lunch to over 500 Special Olympics baseball players. Now this is a truly special project for our club!

Give Burns the Boot

Along with local fire fighters, our club and Jefferson HS Key Clubbers raised \$720.00 for the PNW Burn Foundation; helping children attend summer camp victims.

Alzheimer's Association

This was part of the 2007 Governor's Project. Our Club raised over \$350 this year.

Mark Your Calendar!

Oct. 26 Souper Super raising funds for homeless dinners, Steel Lake Presb. 5:30 to 7:30 pm

Oct. 27 Senior Social (spaghetti feed) No1 for 2008!

Oct. 29 Monthly Division Council Meeting at Golden Steer

Dec. 01 Wine Tasting at Columbia Wineries