

# Kiwanis Club of Greater Federal Way

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**Club Newsletter** for the week of December 4, 2007

**2008 Club Officers and Board:** **President** ~ Donovan Knight, **President Elect** ~ Wayne Triplett, **Past President** ~ Wayne Moritz, **Treasurer** ~ Beverly Triplett, **Secretary** ~ Don Barrows  
**Board Members:** David Grohs, Ruth Grohs, Donavon Potter, Cindy Raboin, Ernie Sterba

**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 17 members in attendance. This morning our newest member, **Nathan Brown, Executive Director of the Federal Way Senior Center**, was inducted into the club. Our community's Senior Center has always been one of our club's favorite service projects so Nathan will be an excellent fit into our morning club. Welcome Nathan.

Our guest speaker this morning was **Stacy Flores from the Federal Way Police Department**. Stacy emphasis this morning was theft in Federal Way and it took up all her time. We will definitely want Stacey to return at a future date to cover other concerns. Greatest problem this time of year is auto theft (especially those who leave their cars running to warm them up while they go back inside). Stacey pointed out that it takes less than 20 seconds for these thieves to get into your car. She also informed us that in the State of Washington, it is breaking the law to leave a running car unattended.

If Federal Way citizens sign up for the "Watch Your Car" program you will receive decals for your car as well as a free "club" to attach to your steering wheel. Our city only has seven officers on patrol and they are in cars alone. Meaning that in many emergencies, they need "back up" before they can safely apprehend criminals. Stacey said, "If these officers should be fortunate enough to get any kind of break during their ten hour shift, it's a good day."

Another wonderful program. If you were absent, you missed a good one with thirty minutes of great information. Next week our speaker will be **Mary Sawyer from *Foundation for International Understanding***. Thanks Beverly for coordinating all these wonderful speakers.

**Wine Tasting Event:** This was a great success bringing \$1400 into our Administrative fund to help us in the operations of our club. Now we can assist our delegates who attend conventions, purchase needed office supplies, cover our website costs, and on and on.

**Food and Toy Drive. Another reminder of important dates:**

- December 8th There will be a number of volunteers at Top Foods in Federal Way on this Saturday 10am to 4pm. Key Clubbers, how about making signs for this project in advance! KMPS radio will also be there to give support.

- December 12<sup>th</sup> Key Club Gift Wrapping Party 3 to 6pm at Fire Station One in Des Moines. Our Greater Federal Way Kiwanis Club will top this event off with a pizza party at 6pm!
- December 17<sup>th</sup>, a Monday evening, Calling families to verify delivery addresses 5:30 to 7:30 at HDQ. 31617 - 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue South (especially needed are people who converse in Spanish, Russian, Korean, Vietnamese, etc.
- December 20<sup>th</sup> Delivery of food and gifts will be made out of Station #1 on South 365<sup>th</sup> Street. Want to really get into the spirit of the season? Show up for this wonderful event. You won't regret it.