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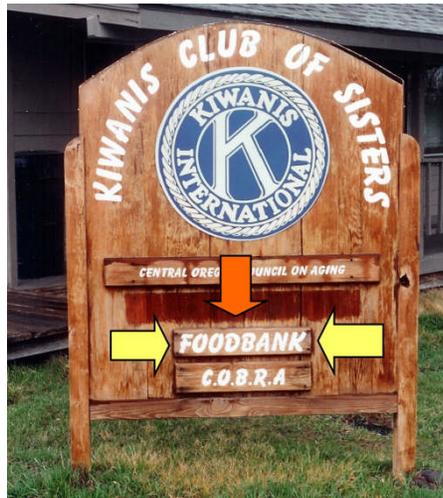
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Serving Vital Needs



Even though Sisters is a small community, like the big cities, we often don't know many of our neighbors. For those in our community who are "down on their luck" for one reason or another, the **Kiwanis Food Bank** serves as a safety net.

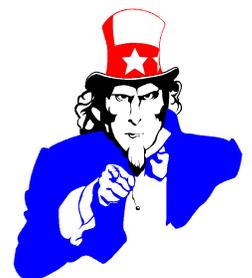
In cooperation with **COCAN** and other agencies in Sisters and the county, **Kiwanians** have stepped forward to help out with basic food necessities. The Sisters club manages the collection and distribution of food stuffs that have been collected from churches and other institutions close to home. Some of the

largest contributors of food are the **Sisters Community Church** followed by **St. Edward the Martyr Catholic Church**. Perishable items such as meat, eggs and bread have to be purchased locally. **Ray's Food Place** has given generously to help others in need.

The **Food Bank** is under the direction of **Glenn Keeran** who organizes the activities and volunteers. Last year 32 Kiwanians gave 963 hours of their time led by **Naomi Rowe** who piled up an impressive 122 hours.

In 2004, they distributed almost \$53,000 worth of food to 2400 people. This included 264 children aged 5 and under.

Keeran has called for more volunteers as the challenge continues to expand. Help is needed to transport donations to the Kiwanis House, stock shelves, assist neighbors in applying for food and filling the many boxes needed to feed applicants. Presently only one person per shift is on duty during the Monday, Wednesday and Friday hours of operation. An additional person each shift would help immensely.



Those who wish to donate food can drop it off at the **Kiwanis House**. The hours are 10-2, Monday, Wednesday and Friday. (See p. 2 for more)

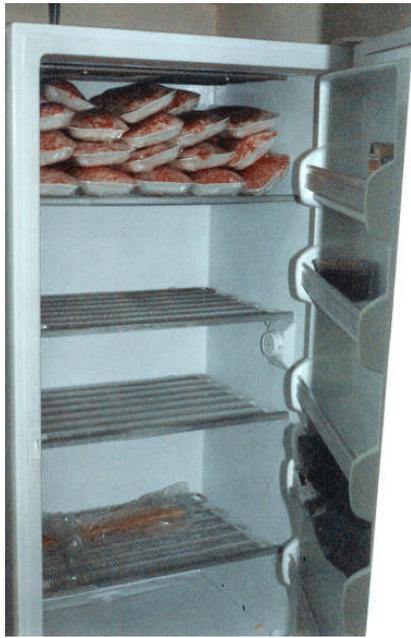
**Uncle Keeran
needs YOU!**



Glenn shows one of the three freezers needed to store food.



Ron Mohler does a two hour shift.



The meat freezer is low.



Reserve Storage is low. Help is needed to stock this facility.



Shelves need restocking.



Dropped off Donations . . . Stop by with yours.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

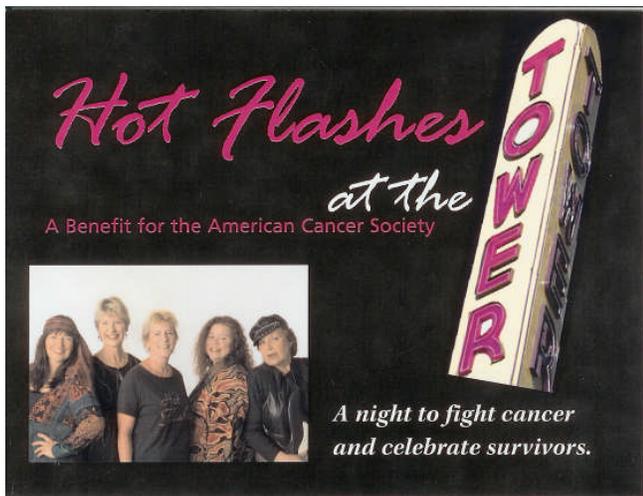
Ron Mohler
Howard DenHartog
May Fan

April 11
April 17
May 7

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Dave Marlow
Bob Grooney
Ron Mohler

April 15
April 17
May 6



The "Hot Flashes" are scheduled at the **Tower Theater** on Saturday, April 23rd. The program will raise funds to fight cancer and celebrate survivors. "Hot Flashes" is a five woman band. They range in age from the 40's to 70's. Some of their offerings are "Never Too Old to Rock" and "I Wouldn't Have Missed it for the World."

As of publication, the event has been sold out. However, courtesy of **Dave Marlow**, two Patron tickets are available by silent auction. Make your bid with **Katie Powers**. The face value of the tickets is \$75 per ticket. A patron ticket allows you to enter the theater at 5:30 and partake of free beer, wine and hors d'oeuvres. You will also receive complimentary champagne during the intermission. Your bid must be in by April 21. Contact Katie at 548.2156 or ktaford@cascade.quik.com.

Are You Ready to Go Camping?

Are you getting itchy to get the RV out after a long, cold winter?

Would you like to see beautiful scenery, enjoy outstanding neighbors



and have a good time? **Jim Smith** is checking to see if there are folks interested in a **KI-WANIS RV TOUR** this spring or summer. Any size RV (or tent) is welcome. If you think this looks like something worthwhile, contact Jim at 549.4652 or 2onamtn@outlawnet.com.



Cliff Clemens (above) reminisces with club members on his 99th birthday. The club and the City of Sisters are working together on the development of **Cliff Clemens Park** on Larch Street.

The Mission of **Sisters Kiwanis** is to provide: **"Service to the community with an emphasis on youth."**

Founder Describes Youth Ranch

Kim Meeder, founder of the **Crystal Peak Youth Ranch** spoke to the Club in March. **Kim** owns and operates the ranch near Tumalo with her husband **Troy**. The ranch is a "one of a kind" nonprofit organization that helps rescue abused and neglected horses and pairs them with disadvantaged children, offering the children a safe place of peace and hope.

Crystal Peaks has seen between four and five thousand visitors every year. More children are now coming on a daily basis than can ride, so the ranch staff is continuing to create new programs that don't involve horses. The kids can come anytime and still have a wonderful experience. "We see a large shift toward kids just wanting to spend time in a place where they know they are safe and loved," said **Kim**.



After witnessing a mute girl speak freely to one of their rescued horses, the need to build a ranch where horses and children could help heal each other became vitally clear. A safe and peaceful environment was created as the foundation where broken children, horses and families could find hope within the healing circle of unconditional love.

The ranch was founded in 1995. After the rescue of its first two horses, a remarkable transformation was set into motion; children began to come to the ranch. They were not coming for what they could get as the horses were not able to be ridden. They were coming for what they could give. In their efforts

of making the horses better, the children themselves got better.

Kim (right) won the Northwest Regional Jefferson Award for Public Service and attended the award ceremonies in Washington DC on June of 2003.



On the local level, Jefferson Awards recipients are ordinary people who do extraordinary things without expectation of recognition or reward.

Susan Windell Welcomed



Our newest member is Susan **Windell**, owner of **Susan's Cleaners** nearby **Ray's Food Place**. **Susan** got her start in Kiwanis early when her father (a long time Kiwanian) took her to meetings during her high school years.

She arrived in Sisters five years ago from Lebanon, OR. She has two sons. One is in the Air Force at Travis AFB and the other (married to an Air Force girl) is a golf pro in Clovis, NM. Her granddaughter **Elizabeth's** picture is prominently posted in her store.

Her hobbies are Golf, gardening and reading.



Lauren Elaine Taylor, arrived March 22, 1:46 pm at 6 lbs. 11 oz. and 19 inches. Mom, dad and baby all doing just grand

May Ballot Initiative for SOAR

SOAR is asking for your help to pass a local tax option for \$0.35 cents per \$1,000 property evaluation. It will be used for new programs, two newer busses and scholarships for children of low income families (about 30% of SOAR users.) Also planned is the completion of Phase II of the **SOAR** community Activity Centers. This will include a Seniors activity room with a kitchen, an additional classroom and an auditorium and gymnasium.

Donations can be delivered or mailed to the local **RE/MAX** office, 178 S. Elm St. Checks should be made out to the "**Committee for our Children and Community**".

Second Annual Share a Meal

Where's the Beef? The **Food Bank** freezer is almost empty and **Kati Powers** and **Barbara Johnson** are spearheading the drive to buy meat for the food bank.

The Tollgate Community center will be the place to attend the **Pot Luck Dinner** on April 16th at 2:00 pm. Bring any dish and cash, Visa Card or check for an amount equivalent (or more) to what you would spend for dinner.

Scholarships Available

The **Kiwanis Club of Sisters** will offer a total of \$5000 in scholarships this year to graduating seniors in the **Sisters School District** to pursue academic study at a college or university, or a vocational/technical training institution.



Chaired by **Jim Mitchell**, applications are reviewed by the Scholarship Committee of the club. Committee members are: **Carl Berg, Travis Browning, Gary Cundiff, Jeff McDonald, Doug Roberts, J. T. Taylor, Linda Walker, and Tom Worcester.**

Scholarships are awarded on the following factors:

- **Involvement** in Community Service Activities such as **Kiwanis Key Club, Habitat for Humanity**, charitable organizations, volunteer work with city, county, state or federal agencies, or private efforts to benefit the community.
- **Academic Performance** with a minimum 2.5 GPA, Class standing and other evidence of academic or vocational achievement.
- **Financial Need.**

Students should submit their applications to the school counseling office by 8:00 A.M. Wednesday, April 28.

Jim Mitchell has suffered a health setback and is in St. Charles Hospital as of press time. He has requested no calls or visits until we hear otherwise.

The **Kiwanis Board Meeting** is on the last Wednesday of the month at the Kiwanis House. (All members are invited.)

Future Meetings:

April 7 **President's Meeting**
April 14 **Craig Morton, Tsunami Experience**
April 21 **Deb Brodsky, Blue Lake Caldera Center**
April 28 **TBA**
May 5 **TBA**
May 12 **Alan Guggenheim, Fuel Cell Technology**

Golf Tournament Needs Volunteers

The **Charitable Funds Golf Tournament** is fast approaching. Contact **Bill Duehren** for your time to help. This is an important event Sponsored by **Ray's Food Place** and our club. Save the date of May 21 at the River's Edge Golf Course.

The Objectives of Kiwanis

- To give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life.
- To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships.
- To promote the adoption and the application of higher social, business, and professional standards.
- To develop, by precepts and example, a more intelligent, aggressive, and serviceable citizenship.
- To provide, through Kiwanis clubs, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service, and to build better communities.
- To cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism, and good will.

Inter Club Opportunities

Bend Noon Club
Mon., Noon:
JJ Norths.
Burns-Hines Club
Thurs., Noon:
Old Camp Event Ctr.
John Day Club
Wed., Noon:
The Outpost.
Madras Club Tue.,
Noon: *The Stag Café.*
Prineville Club
Thurs., Noon: *Golf Club.*
Redmond Club
Wed., Noon:
New Redmond Hotel.
Sisters Club
Thurs., 7:30 AM:
Fire Station.



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