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Paper or Plastic?



Our guest speaker for the March 27th meeting was our own Jeff McDonald who told us all we wanted to know about the grocery business. One important note that Jeff brought up, was the paper vs plastic question. The answer is **RESUABLE**. Paper bags take an enormous amount of energy to produce and generate large amounts of pollution. While plastic bags cheap and easy to manufacture, never degrade and will be around for thousands of years. Ray's now has reusable grocery bags available, For every reusable bag Ray's will give a small rebate to patrons.

Next Meeting at Aspen Lakes

Everything you ever wanted to know about a Grocery Store

Our guest speaker for the March 27th meeting was our own Jeff McDonald who told us all we wanted to know about the grocery business. His emphasis was about Ray's Fine Foods in Sisters. He told us to expect higher food prices within the near future because of the high cost of fuel for delivery trucks and everything else connected with the production of foods. Many farmers across the country are taking crops such as food corn out of production and in their place they are planting corn that is only suitable for making bio fuels. A shortage in corn will increase the price of cereals and anything else made out of corn. Other crops are also being replaced to make fuels. The cost of transporting the foods that are produced is adding to the cost the markets must pay for the items they sell. Hops that are used to make beer are becoming scarce which will increase the cost of beer. Jeff said the milk cost will most likely remain about the same because much of the milk purchased comes from areas such as California where the dairy farmers are subsidized by the government. Oregon does not subsidize the dairy industry.

Jeff told us the new Ray's market in Sisters will be open around November 3rd. The store will be much larger. There will be a branch of the Bank of the Cascades inside. The meat market will be twice as large and many more services will be offered to the customers. The Bakery/Deli will be twice as large. There will be a salad bar and many more specialty foods available. Another new addition to the market will be a digital disk developing kiosk where you can put you disk into the machine, order including editing and prints from 4 x 6" to large enlargements will be printed out with a long waiting period. The Bend store has one of these machines and it works very well. The wine department will be twice as large with many more choices available. When the new store opens they will hire about 40 new full time employees who will have full benefits.

Interesting statistics given by Jeff were that Super Bowl Football day has replaced all other holidays in the amount of food purchased. Last year about \$5.6 billion dollars were spent in US, not all at Ray's but they did very well. Without surprise beer was the food product most purchased on that day.

Share – A – Meal Potluck

When: Sunday April 27, 2008, 2:30pm to 5:00 pm

Where: Episcopal Church
68825 Brooks Camp Rd
Sisters, OR 97758

Share – A – Meal is a time set aside for Kiwanis Members to invite a guest to share in a meal prepared by the Kiwanis Members. Your guest may include a spouse, family, friend, prospect member or all. All donations received go to Sisters Kiwanis projects.

Please RSVP by April, 18 2008 to lance at 420-4652 or Julia at 549-3051

Rodeo Parade

The club will be represented in the Rodeo Parade. We will advertise the Sunday breakfast and this year try to have large signs carried by walkers behind the pick up sound truck. The signs will show which programs we support in the community

Kiwanis Golf Tournament

The Ray's/ Sisters Kiwanis Golf Tournament will be held this year on June 7th. Mark your calendar, this is our largest fund raiser! We will need most of our members to volunteer to make it a success.

Firehouse construction

Construction on the new firehouse is moving along at a brisk pace. Construction on the new addition is close to completion. Renovation on the old Fire house has started. The meetings will be held at Aspen Lakes Lodge until construction is complete.

Did you get this via e-mail?

Are you reading this Thursday morning at the Kiwanis meeting? Would you like to get it an email copy? Email siskivan@sisterskiwanis.org to get your copy next month in cyberspace!

Happy Birthday!



Mar 27 **Charles Blake**
Mar `28 **Bob Walter**
Mar `20 **Cal Allen**
Mar `28 **Tim Muir**
Mar `30 **Chris Tosello**
Apr `03 **Jean O'Hara**
Apr `03 **Bob Grooney**
Apr `11 **Ron Mohler**
Apr `17 **Howard Den Hartog**
Apr `05 **Susan Windell**

Happy Anniversary!



Mar 4	Neil Koch
Mar 12	Steve Mills
Mar 3	Suzy Ramsey
Mar 22	Doug Roberts
Mar 24	Earl Armbruster
Mar 31	Tom Fish
Apr 15	David Marlow
Apr 3	Bob Grooney
Apr 28	Rick Murray

Speaker Schedule

Mar 6	President's Meeting
Mar 13	Open
Mar 20	Kelsey Collins, Elder Care
Mar 27	Elayne Drakulich New Academy Proposals for Sisters School District
Apr 3	President's Meeting
Apr 17	Dr. Randy Jacob Medical Journey in Uganda
Apr 24	Rodger Gabrielson, Charlie Wilson's War

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

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.



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