

Sisters Kiwanis Club



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In Brief:

- *Food Bank to offer early evening hours...*
- *Interclub doesn't mean you have to travel anymore...check out our sister club the Cascadian Kiwanis at: Cascadiakiwanis.org*
- *Ray's receipts bring in over \$400 to the club*
- *Key Club President Emily Rawls named SHS Student of the Month for February*

Cliff Clemens Park has an Entrance

The reality is finally setting in. Cliff Clemens Park is coming to fruition. After years of working with the City, listening to residents input, club members were finally able to act on a way forward. Next up is getting a fence installed -- hope you can help!



Smiling Sisters Kiwanis members celebrate under the new entrance.

Club Newsletter and Web Site Take on New Look

Public Affairs Director Vern Renner was looking for help to keep the club newsletter/web site going and refresh it with new ideas. New members Bob Wollard and Dave Huni stepped up to the task last

month and have been planning a new look for both that will also make publishing easier.

“We really want our members to know what they’ve been missing if they haven’t been able to get to a meeting”

said Dave. “We have quite a few snowbirds right now and we know folks are working hard on club projects and with the economy like it is, their jobs too” which sometimes means they can’t make it to the weekly meeting.

Mr. Yuk and Quills Visit

Mr. Yuk and Quills are coming to Sisters Library April 8th from 3 - 3:30 p.m. Learn about poison prevention. They will be followed by the Library’s 150th Birthday Celebration for the State of Oregon.



“Serving the children of the World”

Food Bank Serves Record Numbers

From The Nugget...

A heartfelt volunteer effort made hard times a little better for 202 Sisters area families this Christmas.

The Sisters Kiwanis Holiday Food Share program provided a Christmas dinner with all the trimmings to a record number of families this Christmas, while the Sisters-Camp Sherman Rural Fire Protection District provided toys, clothes and other gifts to children through the Giving Tree at

Ray's Food Place.

The Nugget's Furry Friends Pet Food Drive fed 386 pets (181 cats/kittens; 199 dogs/puppies; four birds, one senior horse and one ferret.) Twenty-eight families requested information for a free spay & neuter certificates for their 70-plus pets.

The food and gifts were distributed on December 23 with the help of dozens of volunteers from local scouting organiza-

tions, 4H clubs, Kiwanis Key Club, local churches and personnel from the City of Sisters. Kiwanis President Barbara Johnson, who coordinated the program, said the volunteer effort was unbelievably spirited.

"I'm just overwhelmed," said . "It was amazing."

The families who benefited from the community's generosity were overwhelmed, too, Johnson said.

Club Welcomes New Members

During January and February the Club saw its ranks grow by five:

New Members: Bob Woollard, Dave Huni, and Michele Hammer

Transfer: Davina Luz from Bend

Renewal: Gary Cundiff

Scouts Receive Funds



Club Scout liaison Bob Wood handed checks of \$500 to each of the three scout groups present.

Key Club Hosts Meeting at SHS

Led by President Emily Rawls and student advisor, Michele Hammer, the Key Club hosted the Kiwanis weekly meeting at SHS on Feb 26th. That snowy morning, the Club was treated to a tour of the High School and served a super breakfast. Club members were updated on Key Club activities and thoroughly enjoyed meeting the whole club. One attendee noted he was surprised that the number of boys and girls in the club was roughly equal, not at all what he expected.



Leadership Class Receives Check to Build Outlaw Outpost

Lisa Clausen made a presentation to the club on The Ford Family Foundation’s leadership series here in Sisters and then laid out a community project the Foundation is helping sponsor here in Sisters.

As a result, the club donated \$1,001 (\$500 from Kiwanis, \$500 from Ray’s, and \$1 to top Rotary’s contribution) toward the more than \$6,000 in cash donations

needed to get the project off the ground.

Outlaw Outpost is to be built near the Sisters High School’s Reed Stadium for use by the schools and civic groups. It is a covered pavilion that will be protected from the elements on three sides

and be about 24 feet square inside.

Lisa is hoping the swell of recent support for the project will provide enough funds to build the Outpost in late Spring/Early Summer. Timing depends on the ability to get necessary permits and donated materials, she said.



Students Learn About CPR

From the Nugget...

In an effort to increase awareness and educate the Sisters Community about Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR), the Sisters Fire Department, Kiwanis Club and Sisters Middle School entered into a partnership.

Teachers Marti Dale and Annie Winter just completed a CPR Unit with their seventh grade health classes at Sisters Middle School. With the assistance of the school

nurse, students were given instruction and practiced CPR.

At the end of this unit each student was given a CPR kit provided by the Sisters-Camp Sherman Rural Fire Protection District through a grant from the Kiwanis Club of Sisters.

This kit will provide each student the opportunity to share with their families what they have learned about CPR, with the intention of educating families in CPR.

Each kit included a mini CPR learning mannequin, a CPR Skills Practice DVD and directions for use of the kit. Students were given the assignment to take time with their families to go through the kit and practice CPR.

Students were required to get their parents' signature on a form verifying their participation. The overall goal of this effort is to increase the number of Sisters area residents capable of providing life-saving support to a person in need.



Sisters Fire Chief Taylor D. Robertson, Fire Marshall Captain Dave Wheeler and Kiwanis President-Elect Grant Cyrus gave information about CPR Kits.

Milestones -- Birthdays, Anniversaries and Such

Anniversaries

- Dave and Julia Huni
14 years on March 25th
- Suzy and Lance Ramsey
30 years



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Our Purpose and Mission:

Kiwanis is an organization for men and women who want to improve their communities through participation in service projects of **LOCAL, national and international importance**. In all programs, participation is the key word for service by members. Weekly business meetings include presentations on a variety of interesting topics. In its three-decade history, Sisters Kiwanis has been involved in the development and support of many community organizations, including Scouts, Campfire, Little League, organized soccer, Habitat for Humanity, and Sisters Organization for Activities and Recreation to name just a few. In addition, Kiwanis volunteers maintain and staff the community food bank, which provides emergency food boxes for less fortunate citizens in the area. Kiwanis also has provided park-type benches throughout the city, and built a playground apparatus at the main city park in Sisters. The organization was a major contributor to the city's new ball field complex. Individual Kiwanis members have had leadership roles in many civic and cultural organizations in Sisters, helping provide continuity in the growth of the community through the Kiwanis motto, "Service to the community with an emphasis on youth".

Upcoming Speakers

Mar 19 - Erin Borla, Sisters Chamber of Commerce

Mar 26 - Patty Davis, Ronald McDonald House Update

Apr 2 - President's Meeting

Apr 9 - Ed Beacham, Beacham's Clock Company

Apr 16 - Becky Johnson, OSU Cascades Strategic Plan

Weekly Meetings at Aspen Lakes in the upstairs Conference room

Upcoming Events

Apr 8 - Mr. Yuk and Quills, 3 p.m. Sisters Public Library

Apr 14 - President's Fireside, 6:30 p.m., Barbara's House

Last Week in April - Share-A-Meal

May 16 - Highway Clean-up

May 16-17 - Divisions 78-82-84 Zone Conference in Sisters

Jun 6 - Golf Tournament at Aspen Lakes

Jun 13 - Buckaroo Breakfast

Jul 20 - Blood Drive

Aug 13-16 - District Convention Medford, Oregon



Buckaroo Breakfast

We're on the Web!

www.sisterskiwanis.org