



Sisters Kiwanis Club

Siskiyou

Volume 1, Issue 5

Aug 13, 2009

Inside this issue:

- Committee News... 3
- Member Spotlight 4
- Membership News 5
- Food Bank... 6
- Interclubs... 7
- Milestones... 7
- Upcoming Speakers 8
- Upcoming Events... 8

Impressive Accomplishments Made by Kiwanis over the Years

When Jack McGilvary announced at a July meeting that the Club had donated over \$180,000 to area charities, community and youth groups in the last nine years, no one was surprised. Surpassing those numbers are the uncountable/intangible contributions from Club members provided in sweat-equity that make all the difference in pulling together the Holiday Food Share and operating the Food Bank. Suffice it to say, nary a month goes by in our community when the efforts of our club are not seen or felt by someone who is a direct recipient of our support. Whether

Continued on page 2...see IMPRESSIVE ACCOMPLISHMENTS...



“Serving the children of the World”

Impressive Accomplishments...

Continued from Page 1 ...

it's helping build a Youth Center and ballfields (precursor to SOAR circa, 1981), City Parks (Village Green and now working on Cliff Clemens Park), operating the Food Bank, or distributing scholarship money to outstanding students, Sisters Kiwanis Club is there!

In fact, there was even talk Kiwanis helped the City of Sisters purchase its first police cruiser. (After much research of our history archives, however, we found there was only an instance when Kiwanis purchased a set of mountain bikes for the police foot patrols.)

As shown in the news clips from the past at right, one thing you can bet on, Kiwanis will be an important part of leading, forming and shaping our community in the years to come.



The Nugget Runs Feature Story on Lance Trowbridge

Thanks to The Nugget Newspaper and reporter Angela Lund, Sisters Kiwanis member Lance Trowbridge is a local celebrity. The Nugget carried a half page article on Lance in the July 28th paper detailing his dedication to the community and his efforts to make life a little better here.

We all know Lance, not because he comes to meetings, but because he is one of the permanent fixtures who is always volunteering at the Food Bank and other jobs that need constant support from people in our Club.

Lance brings a sense of community to his involvement with all his endeavors including the local VFW and American Legion chapters. He served in the Army for 21 years, retiring in 1991. He was stationed in Germany, Alaska and other locations in the United States. in the town of Sisters, playing a role in the community is important to Trowbridge.



photo by Angela Lund
Lance Trowbridge and his father, Howard at the entrance to the Sisters Community Garden which Lance built.

Committee News

- Dave Huni needs help with articles for the Siskiwan. If you have something you'd like published in the Siskiwan, please hand it to Dave at a meeting or send it to the newsletter email at: siskiwan@sisterskiwanis.org
- Sparked by Al Boyette, a new evening program will be starting this fall. It will be an occasional Kiwanis-sponsored community event, presenting outstanding programs that normally will take more time than we allow at our regular meetings
- The Food Bank needs volunteers for two projects, see the story on page 6
- Earl Schroeder will be attending the Kiwanis PNW District Convention in Medford this weekend. He will personally present another 150 pair of used eyeglasses to the District chairperson in charge of SOS (**Save Old Spectacles**) to be cleaned, sorted, and shipped to the Philippine Islands for distribution. Our Club will receive a patch for our banner
- Cal Allen is pursuing a donation from Wal-Mart for the Food Bank
- A request from Sisters Charter Academy for \$1,500 for a full set of Upper Elementary Curriculum Materials was approved
- Jodi Henderson, High School Band Director has been given a \$50 "Thank You" gift certificate to Brand 33 for the musical programs/events that he has provided us
- The new fence is up at Cliff Clemens Park and it's really lookin' sweet



Installation of Officers & Auction Update

Suzy Ramsey is heading up preparations for the Installation of officers for 2009-2010 at David Roberts' home on September 20th. Together with Marcea D., she is also working on the auction that funds the event. **Donations are still needed!** To date, we have animal art cut outs, car wash certificates, golf, sea food steamer, gift card from Brand 33, photography, and jewelry. If you'd like to contribute, your donation can be anything from offering a certificate for a dinner or a trip someplace, or perhaps a service to be performed or an item of value. Items can be dropped off at South Valley Bank or at Suzy's office at Therapeutic Associates in the FivePine complex. Hope to see you all come out, congratulate, and recognize our new officers.



Take a look at our online photo albums:

<http://picasaweb.google.com/SistersKiwanis>

Quilt Show



Earl Schroeder and Bob Wood...
A hangin' quilts we go!

The 34th Annual Quilt Show displayed 1,310 quilts this year on the second Saturday in July. Heading up the Kiwanis Quilt Hanging team was Warren Seaward with help from his wife, Nancy. As mentioned during her presentation to us in July, Ann Richardson, Executive Direc-

tor of the Show, noted Warren has been helping hang quilts since the beginning--it's folks like him and other Kiwanians that she counts on to make it happen. In recognition, Warren received a commemorative stepladder Thanks All!!!

Bob Wood

Bob Wood, Chair for our Scouting activity is resigning this year after many years of local service in food bank, habitat for humanity, and many others. We will miss Bob at our meetings and his interaction with the young scouts he would bring along periodically.

Fortunately, Doug Stevens has volunteered to take his place in scouting where he is already most active. Before Bob resigned, he helped an Eagle Scout get started on a project to update the tables at the Buckaroo Breakfast.

Thanks again Bob!



Bob Wood (r) presents Swen Peterson with a check for the Boy Scouts.



Sheryl McLaughlin

Member Spotlight - Sheryl McLaughlin

Whether it's leading the Inter-club trips, a highway clean-up crew, working sign-in for the Golf Tournament, taking your for the raffle, or taking money for Buckaroo Breakfast,

Sheryl is a go-getter with a big smile.

Did you know Sheryl was formerly a Teamster? That's right, she used to provide administrative services to the Teamsters. Now,

aside from waiting for her husband Bill to retire from his job, she stays fit riding into town on her bike to get coffee and check her e-mail with her pals...you go girl!

Membership News

The Membership Committee currently has two new member applications that are subject to Board approval, and membership packets have been given to two other individuals. If all four are inducted, the Club will end the fiscal year in a strong position. With a month and a half to go, we may have more!



Scott McKittrick (sponsored by Gary Cundiff) was inducted August 6th.

Career Opportunity Fund Presentation



Barbara Bott presented Brittany Tosello a check for \$1,500 to pursue a nursing career.



Barbara Bott presents a check to Brittany Tosello.

Bob and Pat Woollard Return to Sisters



Bob Woollard at a recent meeting.

Bob Woollard and his wife, Pat have finally made their way back West to move into their new home in Sisters. They are quickly becoming regulars at our weekly meetings now that Pat has recently retired from a career in nursing back East in

Washington D.C. We can't wait for Pat to be inducted and see this power couple in action. Welcome back and dig in!



Food Bank News

By David Roberts

First, a **huge thank you** to all who worked so hard to get the contents of the storage shed cleaned out and organized. This was a critical first step toward getting the interior of 'Our House' in a more habitable shape. **Way to go Warren, Al, Bob, and Gary.**

Thanks are also due the ladies who not to be outdone made a huge contribution by cleaning up the front office, and thanks also to the one smart male member who decided to work inside with the ladies rather than outside in the shed. **Great job, Jan, Naomi, Linda, Barbara and window cleaner Earl.**

To add icing to the cake, one of our newer members painted the center room so that it now looks fresh and clean. **Looking great Troy.**

Even the most written about man in Sisters, **Lance T.** helped out in addition to working his shift in the Food Bank. **Great job everyone.**

Unfortunately, the request we made to the City of Sisters to receive grant money to help with the installation of a new sidewalk on the Oak Street side of the property was declined. Apparently there were 12 applications and only \$15,000 available.

However; it was not all bad news! The City of Sisters has indicated that it will be installing ADA ramps and bulb outs on Main Avenue at the Intersection of Oak Street this year, including cross walks. This will certainly make it easier for foot traffic to and from our building and be a first step in the much-desired improvement to the property exterior.

Incidentally, you will note that the adjacent empty lot to the West has been cleaned up and posted for sale. The dead tree was cut down and the remaining trees trimmed of dead branches. Unfortunately the listing price is very aggressive considering the present real estate market so do not expect construction on the lot any time soon!

Our next fun project will be scheduled for late September or early October, when the high temperatures moderate substantially and we can feel comfortable working outside.

There are two opportunities for members to join in the fun. The first is to complete the exterior painting project. It would be nice to complete the painting of the trim and to add a second coat to the front deck before winter. Fortunately there is very little preparation work required and we already have the materials.

The second opportunity for those who enjoy gardening is to complete a summer end clean up of the property. Please participate when the date is announced and have a fun time with your fellow club members. Remember, many hands mean light work.

To really enhance the appearance of our house we really need to improve the landscape of the property. It would be great if those who like gardening would come together and form a committee to develop a plan for this work. If a comprehensive plan could be established during the winter months a fun gardening project could start in the spring, as soon as the weather permits. Don't be shy, apply today. Thanks for reading!

Food Bank Stats for June & July

Families Served: 81 & 85
Adults: 182/2,475 & 188/2,556 meals
Children 6-18: 77 & 80
Children 0-6: 16 & 16
Value: \$10,130 & \$9,478
Volunteers: 24 & 21 Kiwanis
9 & 4 Community
Volunteer Hours: 98 & 92.5

To the right, Dave Huni, Earl Schroeder, Prineville Kiwanis President Tina Thompson, Sheryl McLaughlin and Bill Duehren take a group photo commemorating the June inter-club visit.

Inter-Club Program Update

By Sheryl McLaughlin

We made the trip to Prineville in mid-June and Bend in July. Next up is the trip to John Day on August 19th. If you are interested in coming along on a particular inter-club, give Sheryl a call at 549-6580 or let her know at the meeting.



Milestones - Birthdays, Anniversaries and Such

Birthdays for August

5th - Sheryl McLaughlin
 6th - Warren Seaward
 11th - Don Watson



Birthdays for September

8th - Tay Robertson
 13th - Doug Roberts
 14th - Dave Clemens
 15th - Rick Davidson
 18th - Al Boyett

Anniversaries for August

Robert and Evonne Helwig
 55 years on August 1st
 Rick and Linda Davidson
 18 years on August 4th
 Riley and Leslie
 27 years on August 19th
 Bob and Barbara Walter
 52 years on August 24th
 Andrew and Karlee
 1 year on August 25th
 Barbara and Bob Johnson
 49 years on August 26th
 Linda and Jack Walker
 48 years on August 27th

Jeff and Patty McDonald

22 years on August 29th



Anniversaries for September

Jan and Hal Failing
 11 years on September 11th
 Tim and Deanne Muir
 28 years on September 12th
 May Fan and Kris Calvin
 23 years on September 20th
 David and Karen Roberts
 20 years on September 22nd

Sisters Kiwanis Club

Primary Business Address

MAIL:

P.O. Box 1296

Sisters, OR 97759

PHONE:

Jack McGilvary, (541) 549-4274

Club Officers:

President: Barbara Johnson

President-Elect: Grant Cyrus

Secretary: Linda Bafford

Treasurer: Jack McGilvary

Past-President: Tay Robertson

Upcoming Speakers

Aug 13 - Bill Davidson, AIDS Program in Central Oregon

Aug 20 - David Hiller, Pirates on the High Seas

Aug 27 - Don Pollard, GFP Enterprises, Efforts in New Orleans after Katrina

Sep 3 - President's Meeting

Sep 10 - Todd Sensenbach, Home Instead, Senior Living at Home

Sep 24 - Ron Howe, Long Term Health Care

Weekly Meetings Thursdays at Aspen Lakes in the upstairs Conference room

Upcoming Events

Aug 13-16 - **District Convention**, Medford, Oregon

TBD - Kiwanis Peanut Day Fundraiser

Sep 11 - Food Bank Friday

Sep 20 - Installation Social, David Robert's House



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 Park and Recreation District (formerly SOAR) 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".
