

Sisters Kiwanis Club



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Janet Storton Named Everyday Hero



Janet Storton and her husband Peter.



Past President Tay Robertson presented Janet Storton with the Everyday Hero Award at the May 7th President's Meeting. Janet was recognized for her outstanding work with the women of Kapchorwa, Uganda whom she is helping to develop

vocational skills (sewing/quilting) to help earn money to feed their families.

About the Award...

Each and every day people in our community go out and do the things that need to be done simply because they need to be done. They ask for nothing in return. They are the EVERYDAY HEROES in our society. Some of them are members of your club, many of them are not.

Originated as a Governor's Project in 1998-1999 by Governor Jerry St. George, the Everyday Hero program asks that all clubs seek out the Everyday Heroes of their community, bring them to a club meeting or other public gathering and recognize their contribution by awarding them an Everyday Hero certificate and/or medal. In this way, Kiwanis can thank them for what they do to make life better for others and the community better for all of us.

In Brief:

- *Donation sends SHS Glee Club to Disney for competition*
- *Sara Reitmann thanks club for Mt Hood Kiwanis Camp scholarship*
- *Golf Tournament up next--our biggest fundraiser*
- *Look for Kiwanis in the Rodeo Parade*

New Officers Elected for 2009 - 2010

Jeff McDonald announced the newly elected slate of officers at the President's Meeting May 7th. They are:

President: Grant Cyrus

VP: Kerry Bott

Secretary: Jan Failing

Treasurer: Jack McGilvary

Directors:

Tay Robertson

May Fan

Troy Gusick

Dave Huni

Installation of the newly elected officers will take place in late September.



"Serving the children of the World"

Food Bank News

The Stats for April:

Families Served: 87 (+5 over March)

Adults: 174

Children 6-18: 95

Children 0-6: 27

Value: \$12,065

Volunteers: 27 Kiwanis

5 Community

Volunteer Hours: 68.5

Hungry All Year Long

Laura George and Pat Leahy spoke on a new effort to recognize the changing face of hunger called Hungry All Year Long. Working with NeighborImpact, they are coordinating extra food drives in the month of June. Claire Kanzig from our SHS Key Club will be point person for the Sisters Community. All collected food will be placed into local food pantries and emergency shelters such as our own Kiwanis House food bank. See their web site for more information.



Pat Leahy and Laura George
www.hungryallyearlong.org

Member Update



At the May 7th
President's Meeting,
Membership Director
Tom Worchester
inducted Marcea
DeGregorio



Jan Failing was presented
her permanent badge
(shown here after winning
the fines pot)

Committee Updates

- Naomi Rowe announced that 30 units of blood were donated at the April 6th blood drive
- S.O.S. chair Earl Schroeder collected over 250 pair of eyeglasses (see story page 4)
- The scholarship committee has received 22 applications for the \$10,000 in monies available this year
- The Key Club raised about \$350 and 70 cans of food from a dance held at SHS in April
- A new Eagle Scout project has been designed and approved to upgrade picnic tables at the Rodeo Grounds
- Clemens Park will be getting fenced on the east side (off Lark St) with a split rail fence...quotes are now being accepted
- Jeff McDonald is looking for a chairperson to explore the possibility of doing a Kiwanis Peanut Day fundraiser
- Two applications for the Career Opportunity Fund have been received
- Vern Renner and Michele Hammer attended the Sisters Chamber of Commerce Volunteer Fair April 28th and handed out informational flyers/answered questions about Sisters Kiwanis
- Amanda Norman was elected President of the SHS Key Club on April 21st
- The Club did clean-up on Highway 20 from Sisters city limits to the Rodeo grounds on May 9th



Inter-Club Program Update

By Sheryl McLaughlin

What a great time we had on our March Inter-club visit to Madras. Jan Failing, Kerry Bott, Lance Trowbridge and myself. Traveled to Madras for their lunch meeting, which was at Geno's Pizza. They will be moving to a new building in approximately three months. Same restaurant though. The Bend club showed up also, so we outnumbered the Madras Kiwanis. They were good hosts and we enjoyed Rory who was the speaker that day. He is the new girls

basketball coach at the high school.

For two years prior to his arriving the girls had only won one game in two years. He had to figure out how to build their self esteem prior to working on the game skills themselves. He put his heart and soul into it and this season they went to Portland and play and beat Jefferson High School. He has brought them along way and we salute him.

The four of us got to know each other better and it was fun to promote Sis-

ters Kiwanis.

Our next visit is to Prineville in June. Would sure like to see some new or old faces sign up to go. It is a great way to meet new members and make them feel welcome.

Upcoming Inter-Clubs:

June 18 - Prineville

August 19 - John Day

Cascadia Club - 2nd and 4th Sundays at 7:30 p.m. at www.cascadiakiwanis.org

Mr. Yuk and Quills a Huge Success!



About 60 children attended the Mr Yuk and Quills visit on April 8, 2009 at the Library. They were treated to a song; a powerpoint presentation; Q&A with Fire Marshall Captain David Wheeler; a Quills picture with which they were able to



show what items were OK and what items were poison; a puppet show featuring Quills; a visitation by Mr. Yuk himself; happy face cookies; and handouts.

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"This is a wonderful community project and one that I hope Kiwanis continues"

Chairperson Jeanee Nolander

Milestones - Birthdays, Anniversaries and Such



Anniversaries

Garth and Kit Tosello

22 years on May 2nd

Jean and Harold O'Hara

64 years on May 19th

Sheryl and Bill McLaughlin

18 years on May 20th



Birthdays

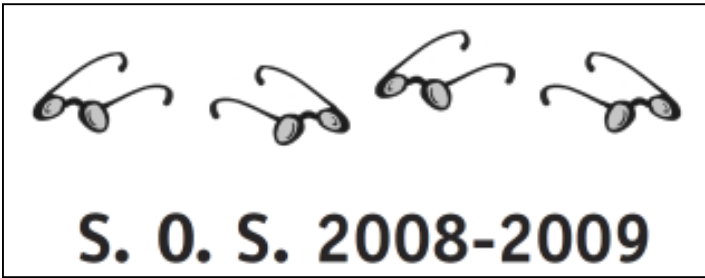
7 May Fan

11 Jeff McDonald

15 Dave Huni

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S.O.S. 2008-09 Collects Nearly 250 Pair of Eyeglasses



Save Old Spectacles needed a new chairperson and Earl Schroeder stepped up. Collecting overflowing boxes from the Sisters medical clinics and bags of donated spectacles for club members, Earl mailed off almost 250 pair of glasses.

The eyeglasses are mailed to an optometrist, Dr James "Jim" H. Weyrich and his wife Ellen. Jim is a practicing optometric physician for 41 years and she is his optometric

assistant. Their practice is at Wal*Mart Center, Aberdeen, Washington. Eyecare Wecare Vision is a 501 (c) (3) not for profit; Foundation, Inc.; based in the United

States; registered Christian centered; international organization; that does medical vision missions and provides eye examinations, eye and general medica-



tions, eyeglasses and provides for eye surgeries all at no cost to the prescreened indigents. The foundation has a branch office in the Philippines that is registered with the Philippine government under SEC (Security Exchange Commission) It is currently conducting

all of the free vision clinics there. The foundations target population is the rural poor who do not have access to, nor financial resources for, vision services. The foundation has no paid administrators or staff, everyone volunteers. The founda-

tion just finished its Medical Vision Mission from January 2 through January 10, 2009. This particular medical vision mission exceeded all expectations on the Province of Iloilo on Panay Island. The mobile clinic placed on a ferry boat from Negros Island. The foundation, along with twenty three volunteers, traveled to 6 different municipalities (Calinog, Lambunao, Cabatuan, Janiuay, Pavia, and Jaro - Iloilo City.) A record 2,014 Indigents received free examinations, eyeglasses, medications and referrals for eye surgery. We truly were "Delivering Gods Ultimate Vision Plan to the Poor."



Michele Hammer and
Vern Renner

Kiwanis Attend Chamber Volunteer Fair

Our club was represented at the Chamber of Commerce Volunteer Fair held on April 28th. Michele Hammer and Vern Renner were manned a desk handing out infor-



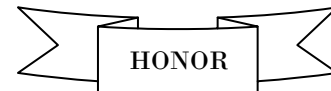
mational flyers about the club and were available to answer questions. Also on hand were Kerry and Barb Bott, Grant Cyrus, and Lance Trowbridge. Vern's wife Kati served wine to participating guests.



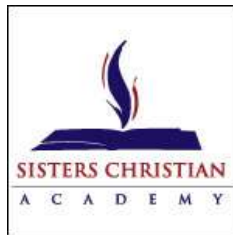
Ted Lister

Cowboy Poet Ted Lister Pays a Visit

Ted Lister, a fellow Kiwanis member from the Bend club drops in from time to time and offers up one of his classic cowboy poems. This trip, Ted read us a poem about a Medal of Honor winner. His words sure do find a way to touch your heart.



Sisters Christian Academy a Great Place to Learn



Sisters Christian Academy Principal Peggy Miller spoke about the academy at the May 7th Persident's Meeting. Accompanied by teacher Barby Martin, the two told the group how the education they provide teaches their children to love and value community. Their core belief is that Christian training must begin in the home, continue in the church, and be reinforced in the school. We will continuously strive to achieve the highest standards of academic excellence in all that we do.

The school offers traditional subjects such as reading, phonics, history, english, math, science, art, music and PE. As a classical and Christian school they also offer Latin beginning in elementary grades and logic in junior high.

As a Christian school, teaching the Bible is an integral part of the educational program. They teach that all knowledge is interrelated and can instruct us about God himself. The school seeks to prepare each student for life-academically, emotionally, physically, socially, and spiritually.



Peggy Miller
Sisters Christian Academy Principal

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Take a look at our online photo albums:

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

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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

May 21 - Bunny Thompson, Sailing Adventures on the High Seas

May 28 - Organizing the Golf Tournament

June 4 - President's Meeting

June 11 - Rennie Morrell, Sisters Supper Club

Weekly Meetings at Aspen Lakes in the upstairs Conference room

Upcoming Events

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

June 6 - Golf Tournament at Aspen Lakes

June 14 - Buckaroo Breakfast at the Rodeo Grounds

July 20 - Blood Drive

Aug 13-16 - District Convention Medford, Oregon



We're on the Web!

www.sisterskiwanis.org

**Buckaroo
Breakfast**