



Key Club Convention Wows

By Guest Columnist Conor Greaney

Every year, Key Clubs for all across Oregon, Washington, California, Canada, Idaho, and Alaska come together for a weekend of sharing ideas, learning, and fun. This year, eight members of the Sisters High School Key Club, along with Key Club advisor Michele Hammer and local Kiwanian Jan Failing, packed their bags and headed off for Seattle to attend the Pacific Northwest’s annual District Convention.

“Convention was an amazing experience that I am so glad to have been able to be a part of; the trip made me truly love Key Club,” stated Jenna Jacobsen. Indeed, it was quite a unique experience. When the group from Sisters walked in, they found themselves in the middle of a crowd of hundreds of Key Clubbers and their chaperones. Walking down the hall to registration, they passed clubs having cheer-offs, people dressed up in togas, and almost everything else imaginable.

“When we first walked into the hotel in which convention was being held, I was extremely intimidated by the huge number of people there,” stated Zoe Mcallister. There were more than a thousand students in attendance this year, and almost all were dressed up, showing their Key Club spirit.

After registering, the students from SHS spent a weekend packed full of workshops, inspirational speeches, and dancing. Not only was there a dance on Saturday night, there was also a workshop during the day titled “Learn to Move like Michael Jackson,” which was attended by all of the students

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“Serving the children of the World”

FROM PAGE 1 ... from Sisters. There were also a variety of other educational workshops which students from Sisters attended. Among these were: World Changer’s Think Tank, where students designed their own service project, and SOS (Save Our Service), where a presentation was given on how to get more people involved in Key Club and how to get current Key Club members more involved in community service. Another set of workshops were offered that allowed each attendee to go learn more about a Key Club office they were interested in, and in these workshops advice was given on how to successfully fill each office. On the whole, it was a pretty jam-packed weekend, yet the students who attended were glad to have a chance to become more educated about Key Club.



Kiwanian Jan Failing joined Key Club advisor Michele Hammer in supervising and mentoring SHS Key Clubbers during the District conference in Seattle last month and had a super time.



Milestones - Birthdays, Anniversaries and Such

Anniversaries for April

- Earl and Carol Schroeder
49 years on April 8th
- David and Sandy Marlow
38 years on April 15th
- Bob and Claudia Grooney
38 years on April 17th



Birthdays for April

- 3rd – Jean O’Hara
Bob Grooney
- 5th – Susan Windell
- 11th – Ron Mohler
- 15th – Jan Failing



Anniversaries for May

- Ron and Nancy Mohler
60 years on May 6th
- Sheryl and Bill McLaughlin
19 years on May 20th

Birthdays for May

- 11th – Jeff McDonald
- 15th – Dave Huni
- 22nd – Jim Smith
- 30th – Bill Duehren

The Mayonnaise Jar and 2 cups of coffee

Contributed by David Roberts

When things in your life seem almost too much to handle, when 24 hours in a day are not enough, remember the mayonnaise jar and the 2 cups of coffee.

A professor stood before his philosophy class and had some items in front of him. When the class began, wordlessly, he picked up a very large and empty mayonnaise jar and proceeded to fill it with golf balls. He then asked the students if the jar was full. They agreed that it was.

The professor then picked up a box of pebbles and poured them into the jar. He shook the jar lightly. The pebbles rolled into the open areas between the golf balls. He then asked the students again if the jar was full. They agreed it was.

The professor next picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar. Of course the sand filled up everything else. He asked once more if the jar was full. The students responded with a unanimous “yes”.

The professor then produced two cups of coffee from under the table and poured the entire contents into the jar, effectively filling the empty space between the sand. The students laughed.

“Now” said the professor, as the laughter subsided, “I want you to recognize that this jar represents your life. The golf balls are the important things, your God, your family, your children, your health, your friends, and your favorite passions—things that if everything else was lost and only they remained, your life would still be full.

The pebbles are the other things that matter like your job, your house, and your car.

The sand is everything else—the small stuff.

“If you put sand into the jar first,” he continued, “There is no room for the pebbles or golf balls. The same goes for life. If you spend all your time and energy on the small stuff, you will never have room for the things that are important to you. Pay attention to the things that critical to your happiness. Play with your children. Take time to get medical checkups.

Take your partner out to dinner. Play another 18. There will always be time to clean house and fix the disposal. Take care of the golf balls first—the things that really matter.

Set your priorities. The rest is just sand.

One of the students raised her hand and inquired what the coffee represented. The professor smiled. “I’m glad you asked. It just goes to show that no matter how full your life may seem, there’s always room for a couple of cups of coffee with a friend.”



Kiwanis House by the Numbers

Food Bank Stats for March

Families Served: 79

Adults: 175

Children 6-18: 54

Children 0-6: 5

Value: \$9,611

Meals: 2,106

Volunteers: 20 Kiwanis

18 Community

Volunteer Hours: 116



Club/Committee News

- Lisa Young and Maureen Porter have agreed to co-chair future evening programs.
- Barbara Bott and Lisa Young have taken on the co-leader role for organizing our participation in the Sisters Quilt Show Quilt Raffle. The first event is this weekend (April 16-18).
- The Haiti evening presentation originally scheduled for April 15, 2010 is being postponed to a later date.
- Buckaroo Breakfast: Planning in progress. Mostly working timing of cleanup / painting / equipment repairs at this time.
- The Scholarship Committee is looking for members, contact Cal Allen
- Club Officer Nominations/Elections will occur in the next couple meetings...be sure to come out and vote!

Young Children Priority One

The "Mr. Yuk" event took place on March 17 at the Sisters Library. It was a great success! There were 36 children and 10 adults present.

Fire Marshall David Wheeler did his usual great job. Peg Bermel read to the children and both Quills and Mr. Yuk were well represented.

Thanks to Susan Windell and Bob Woollard for their help. I can't tell you how important I think this is to the community and hope that Kiwanis will continue with this event in the future.

That's it for YCPO for March, 2010.

Jeanne
Nolander



Fireside Luncheon Held March 16th



L to R: Holly (Patricia Woollard's granddaughter, Gary Kutz, Tay Robertson, Maureen Porter, Jan Failing, Davina Luz, Suzy Ramsey, Jeff Omodt, Scott McKittrick, Tom Worcester, and Pat Woollard attended a Fireside Luncheon at Three Creeks Brewing Company on March 16th. The Fireside is designed to help new members ask questions in a smaller forum, make suggestions and just plain socialize.

Key Club Update

Former SHS Key Club President Amanda Norman was elected District 78 Lt. Gov!!!

WAY TO GO AMANDA!!!

Conor Greaney was elected as next year's SHS Key Club President.

WAY TO GO CONOR!!!

An officer installation ceremony will take place at a future club meeting this Spring.

Kiwanis

BUCKAROO

BREAKFAST

Sisters Rodeo Grounds

**Prepared & Served
by the Kiwanis Club
since 1984**

Sunday, June 13th

7 - 11 AM

**Adults \$8 - Kids 12 & under \$4
3 & under FREE**

Take a look at our online photo albums:

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



Ray's Food Place

&

The Kiwanis Club of Sisters

Charitable Golf Tournament 2010

Saturday, June 5 ~ Aspen Lakes G.C.

- Four person scramble
- **Double shotgun start: Flight one at 7:30 am - Flight two at 1:30 pm**
 - First 120 golfers per flight
 - Low gross wins
- Team prizes \$1,000.00 (per flight)

Great Hole-in-One prizes! Fun contests, games and raffles!



Entry fee: \$125 per person

(includes green fees, cart, BBQ lunch and refreshments)

Entry Form

Entry Deadline: May 1, 2010

Business _____ Team Contact _____

Address _____ Name 2 _____

City, Zip _____ Name 3 _____

Phone _____ Name 4 _____

If you do not have a partner or team, we will match you with one.

Check one or both: Tournament/\$125 per player _____ Hole sponsorship/\$250 _____
\$100 per player if **paid in full** by May 1st _____

Checks payable to: Sisters Kiwanis Foundation (501c3) or Contact Jeff to Pay by Cash or Credit Card (6% Handling Charge for all Credit Cards)

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Upcoming Speakers

Apr 15 - Richard Patterson speaking about the "Elk Ranch"

Apr 22 - Gary Kutz speaks on "Continuing Care Retirement Center"

Apr 29 - Jeff Omodt will present "A Photo Safari in Southern Africa"

May 6 - President's meeting

In the near future:

Chuck Kuzminski - Roman gold mining - host Earl Schroeder

Wendy Birnbaum - Mission in South America - host Gary Kutz

Dan Brown - Golf stories and other tales - host Troy Gussick

Weekly Meetings Thursdays at Aspen Lakes in the upstairs Conference room

Upcoming Events

Apr 15 - Burns Inter-Club

May 10 - Bend Inter-Club

Jun 5 - Golf Tourney



Jun 13 - Buckaroo Breakfast



Sep 2010 - Kiwanis Peanut Day Fundraiser



Web updates provided weekly at:

<http://www.sisterskiwanis.org>



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".
