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Future Programs

4/12/07 Invocation: Dick Busic Host: Carl Ihle
Red Cross Meals on Wheels - Linn Crooks

4/19/07 Invocation: Bill Riley Host: Bob Keefer
Youth Recognition Banquet - Rick Dancer Speaker

4/26/07 Invocation: Steve Goulart
Meet Van Vandehey - Phase II

5/3/07 Invocation: Brian Nelson-Munson Host: Van Vandehey

Latest News From Kyrgyzstan - Ross Penhalligon

5/10/07 Invocation: LeRoy Hershiser Host: Don Lown
NextStep Recycling - Lorraine Kerwood, Exec. Dir.

5/17/07 Invocation: Jack Naff Host: Frank Day
Viet Nam Today - Rich and Jacquie Litchfield

President's Corner Virginia Brooks

Well, spring is upon us it is a wonderful beginning of new things as Mother Nature works her magic on planet earth and renews our faith that miracles do happen every year at this time. As we roll up our sleeves to get into the thick of projects, let's not forget to be aware of potential members that may be as close as your church membership, fellow workers, and associates, or people you meet on a daily basis, who haven't yet discovered what it means to give service to others. After all, we offer them fellowship with the greatest people in the world, Kiwanians; an opportunity to learn more about their community, and best of all, the chance to make a difference in the lives of others. What a great package!

Don't forget to sign up for the Youth Recognition Banquet on April 19th at Shadow Hills Golf course. We can guarantee a great program, good food, and a chance to see what this year's honorees are up to after they graduate. Don't miss out on one of our great occasions to hobnob with some of the wonderful young people in our community.

Each month I want to thank all of you for your friendship, support and indulgence of my offerings, serious or fun, each week. I hope that I add something of value to your lives as you do to mine.

Upcoming Events

- Apr. 12 Member Birthday celebration.
- Apr. 12 Spiritual Aims and Sponsored Youth Committee meeting after Club meeting.
- Apr. 13 - Apr. 15 Key Club Convention, Portland OR.

- Apr. 16 Soup Kitchen, 208 W. 8th St., 2 p.m.
- Apr. 17 Membership Committee meeting 12 p.m. @ County Parks office, Armitage Park.
- Apr. 18 Interclub at Cottage Grove 12 p.m.
- Apr. 19 Round Table @ Eagles, 12 p.m.
- Apr. 19 Youth Recognition Banquet, 6:30 p.m. @ Shadow Hills Golf Club. No regular noon meeting.
- Apr. 20 NCC CKI meeting.
- Apr. 21 Zone Conference, Trinity Lutheran Church 675 S. 7th, Cottage Grove, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
- Apr. 24 Interclub at Fern Ridge 12 p.m.
- Apr. 25 Strawberry Mailing, 9 A.M. Salvation Army.
- Apr. 28 Highway cleanup, W. 11th and Belt Line Rd. 8:30 a.m.
- May 3 Annual Club and Foundation meeting. Election of next years' Club and Foundation officers.
- May 4 Community Service Committee meeting, 7:30 a.m. @ Country Side Pizza and Grill, River Road.
- May 4 Start berry sale order processing.
- May 5 Club Leader Education 8:00 a.m.- 4 p.m., Bandon.
- May 7 Youth Services Committee meeting @ Abby's on River Road 12 p.m.
- May 10 Member Birthday Celebration, 12:00 p.m.
- May 10 Spiritual Aims and Sponsored Youth Committee meeting after Club meeting.
- May 10 Division Council meeting, 6 p.m.- 8 p.m., Fern Ridge.
- May 14 EEK Board meeting, Eagles, 12 p.m.
- May 15 Membership Committee meeting 12 p.m. @ County Parks office, Armitage Park.
- June 4 Last day to order berries.
- June 14 Fresh Strawberry delivery, 2:30 p.m.
- July 3 - July 7 Kiwanis International Convention, San Antonio TX.
- Aug. 9 Frozen Berry delivery, 3:30 p.m.
- Aug. 23 - Aug. 26 District Convention Tacoma, WA.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Members' Birthdays

Steve Goulart	4/3	Tamra Steele	4/9
Bob Keefer	4/16		

Spouses' Birthdays

Peggy Funkhouser	4/4	Pauline Lane	4/6
Kate Jaspers	4/13	Christi Keefer	4/14
Pamela Nelson-Munson	4/20		

Members' Anniversaries

Eileen & Bob Sanders	4/16/1962
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Welcome New Member Gwen Hershiser



Gwen was born in Kirksville Missouri. She spent her youth moving often to various places and finally ending up in Eugene where she met (at the old Eugene High School) and then married LeRoy Hershiser. She and LeRoy have two children, Tim who lives here in Eugene with his wife Deanna and two children and Stephanie who lives in Manhattan N.Y. Now retired,

in the past she has worked as a pre-school cook, school secretary, church secretary, remedial reading teacher, reading tutor, and educational insurance coordinator. Hobbies include reading, needlecraft, jokes and Sees chocolates. (The Sees candy has made me the well-'rounded' person that I am today.) Enjoying the Kiwanis club; seeing old friends and making new ones, and appreciating the many worthwhile service projects.

Board Meeting Notes

On April 9th the Board met and conducted the following business:

- Reviewed the monthly report: 88.5% attendance. 92 service hours with 14 members participating. Administrative hours 74 with 50 members.
- Accepted the Treasurer's report: Project Fund outflow \$3,802.36 leaving a balance of \$15,982.30. Administrative outflow \$4,449.60 leaving a balance of \$4,688.48. The International dues have been paid.
- Voted to give Jim Funkhouser the April Board Thank You award.
- Voted to give Frank Reitz an Everyday Hero Award.
- Cancelled the noon meeting on April 19th due to the Youth Recognition Banquet. Round Table planned.
- Approved LOAs for Phil Jaspers 3/1-3/31, Ray Hull 3/20-6/4 and Bob Kingsbury 4/26-5/26.

Camp Lane Cleanup

On April 7th it both rained and shined but the Camp Lane cleanup went on anyway. The Steeles (including Gabby), Sanders, Loralyn, Frank Day, Tom Stocks, Nancy, Jim Lane, 7 Key Clubbers (5 from Churchill and 2 from N. Eugene) and Claire the N. Eugene advisor, pitched right in and were done by noon. Thanks for all your help in getting the camp ready for the first group which was coming in the next Monday.

Youth Recognition Award

Mark you calendar for April 19th 6:30 p.m. Shadow Hills Golf Course. That is when we will be holding our Youth Recognition Banquet for outstanding Seniors at 7 local High Schools. Students being honored are: Morgan Dumitru, Churchill; Colleen Conklin, Marist; Michael Fortner, N. Eugene; Michelle Spesser, Sheldon; Gabriela Morey-Castro, Springfield; Chaz Colson, S. Eugene; Miriam Jenkins, Willamette.

Strawberries

The saying goes April Showers bring May flowers. April also brings the start of our Berry sale fund raiser. Prices have been set and posters and fliers are being printed. Prices this year are: 30# fresh strawberries \$41, 15# fresh strawberries \$27, 9# frozen blue berries \$33 and 9# frozen marionberries and strawberries \$25.

The first member event will be the stuffing of the envelopes for the announcement mailing. That will be April 25th. A signup sheet will be circulated the next few meetings. The stuffing will take place at the Eugene Salvation starting at 9 a.m. We should be done by noon and the more helping the faster it goes. We have 3406 envelopes to stuff. Order processing will start on May 4th and a signup sheet will also be circulated for that. Order processing is usually completed by noon and we need about two helpers per day. Fresh strawberry delivery is set for June 14th.

Board Thank You Award

Time and time again, year after year, Jim Funkhouser contributes "hands on" volunteer hours in supporting our club projects. He is a long time member of the Community Services committee and has been responsible for many projects including our current involvement with Shelter Care and Station 7. For some time now, Jim has also chaired our House Committee, a job which requires a lot of time before and after regular meetings as well as some "behind the scenes" hours taking care of details and arrangements associated with our meeting place contracts and special banquets. For all his service to our Club The Board awards you its "**Hands On**" Board Thank You Award for the month of April.

Jim - thanks so much for what you do.

Everyday Hero Award

Frank Reitz is the recipient of EEK's Everyday Hero Award for the month of April. Frank began his volunteer service with Hospice many years ago. He now delivers meals for the Red Cross Meals on Wheels program to housebound folks one day each week. In addition, Frank coordinates the "Helping Hand Closet" in downtown Eugene. This agency provides used and new clothing and household goods to needy people in our area. Frank also is part of the "Good Samaritan Ministry" in downtown Eugene. This program provides counseling and direct assistance to many of the homeless people in our area. Frank's wife estimates that he spends about 20 hours each week in volunteer service. Thank you, Frank, for all that you do as a volunteer in our community!

Elections and Annual Meeting

On May 3 we will hold the annual member meetings of the Emerald Empire Kiwanis Club and the Emerald Empire Kiwanis Club Foundation. The main business of the meeting will be the election of new officers and board members for the Club and board members for the Foundation. Nominations for Club officers are: Joe Murray, President; Phil Jaspers; President Elect; Nancy Reed, Vice President; Hugh Foley, Treasurer. For Board members: Buck Rosselli, Board Position 1 and Ralph Ettel for Board Position 2. Nominations for Foundation Board members are Dick Busic, Board Position 4 and Hugh Foley, Board Position 3.