



# THE EMERALD EMPIRE KIWANIS CLUB

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## Future Programs

- 6/12/08** Invocation: Gerry Keener Host: Jim Lane  
**Family Care Giver Support Program - Terri Dickinson**
- 6/19/08** Invocation: Tom Stocks Host: Joe Murray  
**Meet Fred Platt**
- 6/26/08** Invocation: Brian Nelson-Munson Host: Don Lown  
**GPS What and How - Karl Loftis**
- 7/3/08** Invocation: Mel Mead Host : Don Lown  
**TBA**
- 7/10/08** Invocation: Ted Brown Host: Don Lown  
**Northwest Youth Corps - Daphne Derven, Program Director**
- 7/17/08** Invocation: Dee Harbison Host: Don Lown  
**TBA**

## President's Corner

It is hard to believe that I have been the President of the Emerald Empire Kiwanis Club for approximately nine months. Wow! Time flies by when you are having fun. Yes, it has been fun and relatively easy because our club members faithfully attend meetings, they are friendly, they encourage each other, and they actively serve on committees. Together we work on large projects such as the Choral Festival, the Youth Recognition Banquet and the Berry Sale. Each of you make a difference and you make it easy for your President.

Well, June is the month to honor fathers, so here is a short story that somehow relates: A wife took her overworked husband to their family doctor. The doctor took the wife aside and said, "I don't like the way your husband looks." "I don't either," she replied, "but he has always been a good father to the children." I'm looking forward to working with you when we distribute the many buckets of berries. Have a great month of June.

## Upcoming Events

- June 12 Members' Birthday celebration.
- June 12 Division Council meeting at Veneta fire station, meal 6:00 p.m., cost \$4.50, meeting 7:00 p.m.
- June 16 Soup Kitchen 2:00 p.m., 280 W. 8<sup>th</sup>.
- June 18 Membership Committee, 12:00 p.m., County Parks Office, 3050 Delta Highway.
- June 19 PR Committee meeting after club meeting.

- June 26 **Strawberry** Delivery 2:30 - 6:30 p.m.
- June 26 Post delivery pizza party @ Papa's Pizza on Coburg Rd., 7:00 pm.
- July 14 EEK Board meeting 12:00 p.m. at Eagles.
- July 16 Membership Committee, 12:00 p.m., County Parks Office, 3050 Delta Highway.
- July 17 PR Committee meeting after club meeting.
- July 17 **The Emerald Empire Kiwanis Club 54<sup>th</sup> anniversary.**
- Aug. 14 - 16 PNW District Convention, Tri Cities WA.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries Members' Birthdays

Brian Nelson-Munson 6/4	Bob Sanders 6/7
Frank Day 6/9	Mel Mead 6/25
Leo Steele 6/25	

## Spouses' Birthdays

Galen Baxter 6/6	Marion Leslie 6/8
Florence Murray 6/18	Nancy Matheson 6/23
Alicia Schick 6/29	

## Members Anniversaries

Jim & Peggy Funkhouser	6/17/1955
Ray & Sharon Hull	6/18/1958
Gerry & Carolyn Keener	6/21/1958
Chuck & Barbara Leighter	6/27/1959
Carl & Arlene Ihle	6/24/1961
Dick & Ginny Busic	6/9/1962
Jim & Pauline Lane	6/27/1964
Frank & Carol Day	6/12/1965
Fred & Susan Platt	6/14/1967
Phil & Kate Jaspers	6/29/1968
Fred & Mary Towne	6/1/1996
Kate & Dylan Vessey	6/14/2003
Loralyn & Scott Spiro	6/24/2006

# Board Meeting Notes

On June 9<sup>th</sup> the Board met and conducted the following business:

- Approved the minutes of the May 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- Received the monthly report: Attendance 90%. Administrative hours 373 with 78 members participating. 165 service hours with 47 members participating.
- Accepted the Treasurer's report: Project fund \$97,015.09. This includes monies from the Berry Sale. Administrative fund \$3,774.35. Lunch fund \$227.
- Voted to give Tom Stocks, Nancy Reed and Bob and Eileen Sanders the June Board Thank You Award for their hours spent processing berry orders.
- Agreed that the picnic will be September 4<sup>th</sup> at Richardson Park.
- Discussed a "thank you flyer" to be given to people as they pick up their fresh strawberries to let them know about the club and how the money we raise is spent.
- Heard that Highway Clean Up is scheduled for August 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Agreed that the House Committee should test the wireless microphone before each meeting to make sure it is at the right volume.
- Heard that 5 members went to Camp Wilani to clean the pool area to get it ready for camping season. The Youth Services Committee authorized Camp Wilani to buy a new pool cover from the amount budgeted for Camp Wilani.
- Approved a Leave of Absence for Tom Talaba from May 28<sup>th</sup> through June 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Named Phil Jaspers, Tom Stocks and Eileen Sanders as delegates to the District Convention with Bob Sanders being an alternate.

## Camp Wilani

It is summer camp season again and Campfire is getting Camp Wilani ready for summer camp. Our club has a long standing relationship with Campfire and Camp Wilani. This year they asked for help in getting the pool ready. The pool platform needed to be power washed, the bath house made ready and the weeds and brush cleared from around the solar panels and pool area. On Saturday May 31<sup>st</sup> Frank Day, Ralph Ettel, Bob Sanders, Tom Stocks and Leo Steele went out and worked on getting the pool area ready for the summer. There is still a little work to be done which we will try and finish before the camping season. While out there, we discovered that the solar blanket for the pool had seen much better days so we spent the money we had set aside in the budget for Camp Wilani to purchase a new one. This should help over 750 children have a better camp experience (or at least a warmer swimming experience).

## Board Thank You Award

We usually have only one, or at the most, two awards per month. This month we have a team award. Nancy Reed, Bob and Eileen Sanders and Tom Stocks spent every week day in the month of May and early June working on the ordering process and seeing that everything went smoothly. We now have a core team that understands the process and now no one is indispensable. For all this dedication and

hard work the Board awarded its **Order Up** Board Thank You Award to Nancy, Eileen, Bob and Tom for the Month of June.

## Berry Sale Status

June 2<sup>nd</sup> marked the end of accepting berry orders. It was a success and that success depended on many club members. Helping in the ordering process were Bob Kingsbury, Bob Sanders, Carl and Arlene Ihle, Carol and Mel Mead, Don Johnson, Don Leslie, Eileen Sanders, Frank Day, Gerry Keener, Gwen and LeRoy Hershiser, Helen Baxter, Hugh Foley, Leo Steele, Tamara Steele, Nancy Reed, Ralph Ettel, Tom Stocks, Tom Talaba and Virginia Brooks, Estley Schick and Phil Jaspers. Members who participated in other jobs vital to the project are Bill Pottker, Brian Nelsen-Munson, Chuck Leighter, Don Lown, Joe Murray, Van Vandehey, and Vic Green. Members who did both include Bob Kingsbury, Bob Sanders, Don Leslie, Eileen Sanders, Helen Baxter, Virginia Brooks and Gerry Keener. Ordering took 392 hours and other jobs at least 54 hours. I'm sure there were hours put in that were not recorded on the service hour sheets. Thirty different member have participated so far. Thank You one and all!!!

We did a little better than last year. The comparison is:

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Number 15# strawberries	613	671
Number 30# strawberries	1402	1340
Pails of Blueberries	567	689
Pails of Marion berries	538	531
Pails of Frozen Strawberries	297	229
Total orders	1763	1805
Total Income	\$110,457	\$113,501
Gross Profit	\$39,715	\$43,379

As we are all well aware, the cold spring has delayed the harvest and our delivery date. On June 2<sup>nd</sup> we had to send out 1038 letters to people who had ordered fresh strawberries before the date change. June 3<sup>rd</sup> was our big order day with 301 orders. This is the second largest order day we have ever had. As a credit to our increased efficiency, we finished up the day with receipts mailed and money deposited by 5:45 p.m. In 2006, when we processed 310 orders, we worked until 11:00 p.m. and were not able to mail the orders and deposit the money until the next day.

June 26<sup>th</sup> is the fresh delivery date. Mark it on your calendar. There are jobs anyone can do. A small crew will set up in the morning and all members should be at the Valley River delivery point by 2:30 p.m. However, if you need to come later or leave earlier than the 6:30 end of deliver time, come anyway. We always need people to spell off each other. Scheduled delivery starts at 3:30 p.m. however we usually start earlier as customers usually start to line up by 1:30. End of delivery is 6:30 p.m. with the end of delivery pizza party at Papa's on Coburg Rd. starting at 7:00 p.m. The last date to put on your calendar is August 21<sup>st</sup> the delivery date of the frozen berries.

I think we can all be proud of our accomplishment. Its success should assure we will have enough money to continue our current projects and initiate new ones when we find new areas we can serve the community and the world's children.