



THE EMERALD EMPIRE KIWANIS CLUB

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Future Programs

- 8/14/08** Invocation: Bob Kingsbury Host: Tamra Steele
Cambodia - Pat Lyng, Tamra's Father
- 8/21/08** Invocation: Bill Riley Host: Dick Basic
Technology at Sacred Heart - Glen Campbell
- 8/28/08** Invocation: Brian Nelson-Munson Host: Don Lown
GlobeSave - Barbra Sloat, Executive Director
- 9/4/08** Invocation: LeRoy Hershiser Host: Joe Murray
Annual Club Picnic - Richardson Park
- 9/11/08** Invocation: Gerry Keener Host: Don Lown
TBA
- 9/18/08** Invocation: Dee Harbison Host: Don Lown
TBA

President's Corner

The other day someone asked me, "Well, Major, are you teaching anything to the street people around your building?" I replied, "Not much, I'm afraid, but three weeks ago I did teach 19 children to play the guitar. And this week I am teaching character building to children attending Vacation Bible School." This short encounter reminded me that children are sometimes easier to teach than some adults; especially before the children develop bad habits and routines. There is an old saying that goes something like this, "Teach a child to blow a horn, and he won't have time to blow a safe."

Many organizations and programs assist in educating children in our area. Our Kiwanis Club supports some of those groups with books, clothes, money, materials, building projects, volunteer hours and the list goes on. I am really glad that we are assisting children around the Eugene and Springfield area. Our members not only assist and encourage the training of children, but they actively look for more ways in which to become involved. We realize that children are our future and our present.

On August 21st I am planning to join many of the Emerald Empire Kiwanis members in distributing the frozen berries. As I lift each container I will say to myself, "This one is to help train a child in the way he should go..." Yes, our club may sell berries, but we are in the business of helping to educate children. Have a great August!

Upcoming Events

- Aug. 14 Spiritual Aims committee meeting after club meeting.
- Aug. 14 Member birthday celebration.
- Aug. 14 - 17 PNW District Convention, Tri Cities WA.
- Aug. 18 Dining Room, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. @ 280 W. 8th.
- Aug. 20 Membership committee meeting, 12:00 p.m., County Parks Office, 3050 Delta Highway.
- Aug. 21 Frozen Strawberry delivery at Valley River Center, 3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
- Aug. 21 Berry Sale Completion celebration, 7:00 p.m. @ Papa's Pizza on Coburg Rd.
- Sept. 2 Youth Services committee meeting @ Abby's Pizza, River Road, 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
- Sept. 4 Annual Club Picnic @ Richardson Park, Fern Ridge Lake, Site 3, Start is 5:30 p.m.,
- Sept. 5 Community Service committee meeting @ Countryside Pizza, River Road, 8:30 a.m.
- Sept. 8 EEK Board meeting, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m., Eagles.
- Sept 11 Division Council meeting, at Oakridge. Place to be determined.
- Sept. 11 Member birthday celebration.
- Sept. 11 Sponsored Youth and Spiritual Aims committee meetings after club meeting.
- Sept. 15 Dining Room, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. @ 280 W. 8th.
- Sept. 18 PR committee meeting after club meeting.
- Sept. 25 Club Installation Banquet @ Shadow Hills Country Club, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Birthdays and Anniversaries Members' Birthdays

Nancy Reed	8/3	Ray Hull	8/14
Bud Williams	8/21	Bill Riley	8/23
Chuck Leighter	8/27	Helen Baxter	8/29

Spouses' Birthdays

Ginny Basic	8/8
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Members' Anniversaries

Bob & Charlotte Sabin	8/26/1946
Carol & Mel Mead	8/29/1947
Bob & Shirley Kingsbury	8/26/1951
LeRoy & Gwen Hershiser	8/26/1954
Ralph & Jean Ettel	8/31/1957
Vic & Lynn Green	8/29/1959
Hugh & Birgit Foley	8/23/1968

Board Meeting Notes

On August 11th the Board met and conducted the following business:

- Approved the minutes of the July 14th meeting as written.
- Reviewed the monthly report: Attendance 76.9%. 51 service hours with 13 members participating. 47 administrative hours with 27 members participating.
- In the absence of the Treasurer, there was no financial report.
- Voted to give Jason Steele the August Board Thank You Award for getting a good deal on the wireless microphone, in a timely manner.
- Officially canceled the noon meetings on September 4th and 25th. A Round Table will be provided.
- Approved the menu for the Installation meeting at Shadow Hills on September 25th.
- Approved a Leave of Absence for Fred Towne from July 24th through September 24th.
- Approved Jon Derby for membership. Orientation will be scheduled.
- Noted that George Matheson is back in attendance following his broken hip.
- The Public Relations committee received several pointers from Bridget Baker, the Register Guard Corporate Public Relations person as how to get articles about our projects into the Register Guard.
- Voted to pay Bob and Eileen Sanders' registration fees for the District Convention August 14-17. They are not listed as official delegates or alternates since they both can vote without being named as a delegate. The Club will pay registration fees for 3 delegates and 3 alternates and there are only 3 official delegates going.
- Held a discussion concerning the proposed resolution on the Governance of the District which may be up for vote at the Convention.

Next Year's Budget

October 1st starts the new Kiwanis year which means a new budget cycle. Committees need to meet and put together their budget needs by mid September so we can consolidate

them at the budget meeting later in the month. Current projects should be reviewed to determine if any should be dropped and new ones added if appropriate. Hugh will have budget projections ready by August 28.

Adopt a Highway Cleanup

All volunteers Saturday were able to enjoy the company of a special guest and candidate for District Governor - Patrick Ewing from British Columbia. Patrick pitched right in to help and shared his warmth and thoughts about Kiwanis.

Thank you very much: Jim Lane, Leo Steele, Eileen Sanders, Jason Steele, Jim Funkhouser, Verlin O'Dell, Don Leslie, Don Lown, Gerry Keener, Tom Stocks and Patrick Ewing.

The "going was a little tougher" this time due to a recent mowing that shredded most of the trash, but --- as you would expect, everyone worked a little harder and longer and got the job done.

And thanks, Pauline, for the delicious brunch.

Board Thank You Award

Hearing what is going on at the meeting is vital to making the meetings an enjoyable experience. We have a good sound system when a person is talking into the podium microphone. Unfortunately, once a person steps away from that microphone most conversations are lost. The Board voted to purchase a wireless microphone so persons could be heard no matter where in the room they were located. Jason Steele was asked to try and find and purchase a wireless microphone system that was compatible with our current system for under \$300. Jason search around and found a system of two wireless microphones for only \$75. A similar system at Radio Shack cost over \$150. We have been using it for over 2 months and it has really made a difference at our meetings. For his quick action in finding a really good affordable system and its prompt purchase, the Board awards Jason Steele its "Communicator" Board Thank You Award for the month of August.

Annual Club Picnic

September 4th is the day of our annual club picnic. Don't miss it! Once more it will be held at site 3 Richardson Park on Fern Ridge Reservoir. Maps to Richardson Park and the picnic site will be available at our meetings and posted on our Web site. Cost will be \$5.00 per person or \$10.00 for a family. The Club will provide table settings, hamburgers, Polish Sausage, with all the trimmings, sweet corn, chips and dip and cold bottled water. If you want something else to drink like ice tea or pop, you need to bring it yourself. Persons whose last name is from A through L are asked to bring a salad and from M to Z a dessert. The Picnic will start at 5:30 p.m. There is a signup sheet going around. It has a place to say if you are coming or not. Please check one or the other as you will be contacted if neither is checked. Don't miss this. The Site 3 shelter we will be using is the one we helped build.