



THE EMERALD EMPIRE KIWANIS CLUB

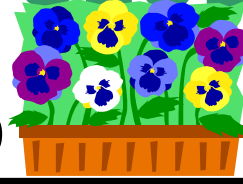
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Meets 12:00 p.m.
Thursday
Eagles Club Eugene

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Future Programs

5/14/09 Invocation: Mel Mead Host: Don Lown
Greeter: Fred Platt

Optimizing health through balance—Dr. Kenneth J. Welker

5/21/09 Invocation: Tom Stocks Host: Gwen Hershiser
Greeter: Virginia Brooks

Nursing Program – Janet Anderson, LCC Foundation

5/28/09 Invocation: Jon Derby Host: Bob Sanders
Greeter: Nancy Reed

Aktion Clubs

6/4/09 Invocation: Brooks Durham Host: Don Lown
Greeter: Joe Murray

Volunteers in Medicine—Jackie Mikalonis

6/11/09 Invocation: Jack Naff Host: Phil Jaspers
Greeter: Don Leslie

Meet Helen Baxter

May 20 Membership Committee meeting 12 p.m. @ 3050 N. Delta Highway, County Parks office

May 21 PR committee meeting after club meeting.

June 1 Youth Services Committee meeting, noon, Abby's Pizza on River Road.

June 1 Last day to order berries.

June 4 YCPO meeting after Club meeting.

June 5 Community Service Committee meeting, 7:30 a.m. at Marie Callender's.

June 11 Member Birthday Celebration.

June 11 Division Council meeting, 6 p.m. dinner, 7 p.m. meeting @ Fern Ridge.

June 13 Club Leadership Education, Cottage Grove.

June 17 Membership Committee meeting 12 p.m. @ 3050 N Delta Highway, County Parks office

June 18 Strawberry delivery, Valley River, 2:30-6:30 p.m.

June 18 Post delivery pizza party at Papa's Pizza on Coburg Road, 7 p.m.

June 24-28 Kiwanis International Convention, Nashville, TN.

Presidents' Corner - Phil Jaspers

Strawberry season is a perfect opportunity to spread our Kiwanis message. As we are visiting during the selling of berries, we can talk to people and tell them about the help we try to give to children. We can use this chance to invite them to join Kiwanis through our Club and share their ideas with us. Our Community can make a difference through these projects of service. "When you touch the heart, the hands will follow". Sylvester Neal, Vice President, Kiwanis International, didn't know whose quote this is but he found it works. If a project is fun and touches the lives of children, we will have a great opportunity to gain new members for our club and gain more hands for service.

Upcoming Events

May 14 Annual Club and Foundation meeting.

May 14 Member Birthday Celebration.

May 14 SIGN Committee meeting after club meeting.

May 14-15 Take down Science Factory exhibit.

May 16-17 Set up new Science Factory exhibit.

May 18 Dining Room 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. @ 280 w. 8th.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Members' Birthdays

Jack Naff 5/17 Virginia Brooks 5/23

Spouses' Birthdays

Jennifer Derby 5/6 Birgit Foley 5/9
Lindy Brown 5/11 Nancy Nickell 5/19

Anniversaries

George & Nancy Matheson 5/5/1958
Fred & Linda Ferdowsian 5/30/1971
Joe & Florence Murray 5/27/1972

Board Thank You Award

The Youth Recognition Banquet is always a highlight of the year. One outstanding senior from Marist, Matt DeBellis; Sheldon, Jasmine Hatmaker; Springfield, Naomi Campollo; North Eugene, Melissa Sewell; South Eugene, Hetal Patel; Willamette, Hannah Troxel and Churchill, Amy Atwater, High Schools were honored with a \$500 award. It takes a lot of coordinating to make this event a success, from getting Kiwanis members to interview students and select a

recipient to organizing the banquet. Frank Day did another outstanding job in making it a success. For these reasons, the Board nominated Frank for the May **Student Achievement** Board Thank You Award. Thanks Frank!

Everyday Hero

This month the Board voted to give an Everyday Hero Awards to Sam Dotters-Katz, the President of University Associated Students. He was instrumental in getting Greg Mortenson, the author of the best selling book "Three Cups of Tea - one man's mission to promote peace, one school at a time", to speak in Eugene at the U of O. He is the founder of the Central Asia Institute, an organization dedicated to building schools for children in Pakistan and Afghanistan. Without Sam's work of getting funding through the U of O student government Eugene would not have heard how building schools with tribal sponsorship works even in unstable areas. He has built 78 so far and only one has been attacked. His message to a packed crowd at the U of O was "Education, not weapons and armies, is the key to peace and wellness in this troubled region of our world".

Board Meeting Notes

On May 11th the Board met and conducted the following business.

- Accepted the minutes of the April 13th meeting.
- Reviewed the monthly report: Attendance-81.6%. Administrative hours-202 with 75 members participating. Service hours-396 with 57 members participating. The majority of the service hours were for the Youth Recognition Banquet. Everyone that attended received service hours.
- Accepted the Treasurer's report: Administrative funds-\$3,272.04. Project Fund-\$25,072.12. The following donations were made: \$250 to Junction City Local Aid, \$1,250 to 4J School Nurse support, \$250 to Senior Connections, \$500 to Shelter Care, \$500 to the Pearl Buck Center, \$500 to the Student of the Year from The Boys and Girls Club, \$150 to a student from Churchill going to HOBY and \$300 to Station 7.
- Voted to give Frank Day the May Board Thank You Award for all of his work on the Youth Recognition Banquet.
- Voted to award Sam Dotter-Katz an "Everyday Hero Award" for getting Greg Mortenson to speak at the U of O.

May 2nd

May 2nd was a day when we had several events that members could volunteer at. Starting at 6:30 a.m. Bob and Eileen Sanders along with 3 Churchill Key Clubbers (Hanna Hutcheson, Caitlin Crocker and Anya Bury) volunteered at the Science Factory Kids Marathon that was connected with the Eugene 5K run. During the weeks leading up to the event, the kids ran 25 miles at their school and ran the final 1 mile lap at the Marathon. Each child received a tee shirt and a medal.

At 8:30 a.m. the following people met to clean up our section of the Beltline: Chuck Leighter, Bob Kingsbury, Don Jonson,

Gerry Keener, Don Leslie, Frank Day, Nancy Reed, Leo Steele, Joe Murray, Fred Ferdowsian and Jim Lane. As usual, the best part was at the finish when everyone could enjoy Pauline's brunch.

At 10 a.m. Bob and Eileen Sanders went up to Leaburg Lake and helped at the Head Start Fishing Day. There were over 100 Head Start children and their families there. The lake had been planted recently, and there was a lot of "fishing" but no "catching". There were other activities for the children to participate in when they weren't fishing. The rain held off until lunch was being served.

Thanks to all for being a volunteer!

Division SIGN Fund Raising Project

As part of our overall fundraising project of trying to raise \$15,000 to build a SIGN facility in a third world country we are planning a Cook Book project. It should be a win win project. People get to donate to SIGN and get a cook book in return. It involves:

1. Collecting recipes from as many people as possible. We are now handing out blank recipe sheets. We will accept recipes in any form but putting it on the sheet simplifies our putting the cook book together. Collect from your own collection and also from friends and neighbors. Every person you collect a recipe from is a potential buyer of a cook book. We hope for at least 500 recipes.
2. Review recipes and consolidate duplicates. Every person who submits a recipe will be given credit in the cook book. If a recipe has more than one author, every person who submitted it will be acknowledged.
3. Format the book and select a publisher.
4. **Sell the cookbook.** Usually a person who submits a recipe will buy a book to see it in the book. That's why it is important to get as many recipes from friends and neighbors as possible

Karolyn Cooper from the Eugene club is heading up the project. She organized one at her last club. Our goal is to sell 1000 books at about \$12 apiece. That would be a bargain for a cook book. We hope to get a sponsor to cover the publishing costs. We want to have all recipes collected by the middle of June and go to press about 2 months later. This is a project that has the potential for going a long way to reaching our goal of \$15,000. We hope every member can submit at least one recipe and one or two from friends and neighbors.

Strawberries

We are in the middle of the ordering period. **We need help!** Right now no one is signed up for Friday the 15th. For the week of the 18th only two slots out of 10 are filled and for the last 2 weeks only one day has anyone signed up. The last five days of the sale are usually extremely busy and we may need 4 or 5 people per day. **Without the support of you,** our core ordering team is going to have to spend many long hours getting the orders processed. They need your help. Support them.