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Future Programs

- 8/17/06** Invocation: Dick Basic Host: Bob Kingsbury
Nobel Peace Laureate Monument - John Attig
- 8/24/06** Invocation: Gerry Keener Host: Don Lown
Image Graphics - Chris Meeker
- 8/31/06** Invocation: Mel Mead Host Don Lown
The Internet and Education - Mark Szymanski
- 9/7/06** Invocation: Bob Kingsbury Host: Jason Steele
Club Annual Picnic - Armitage Park
- 9/14/06** Invocation: Phil Jaspers Host: Don Lown
LCC Tutoring Program - Liz Coleman

President's Corner Jason Steele

I want to thank every Emerald Empire Kiwanis club member that helped this last year become another great year for our club. My goals for the club were simple enough a year ago. I wanted to keep our membership steady, not lose any projects, and get berry sales up for club income. I feel that with those goals as guidelines we had a successful year. We have brought in some outstanding members this year that are active and have great potential for adding to our club. I would prefer to have 3 very active members versus 30 members that pay their annual dues and we never see again. We continue to bring in strong civic leaders.

Our strawberry sales were up this year from last. The final numbers are not in yet, but will be soon. I can assure all that we had a good year financially, and the work our club did to drive the berry sales this year paid off. We should not only be able to keep our past projects, but with more funding we will be looking at adding a few more projects for the club this next year.

We started off this year by moving our club meeting location, and I am very glad we did. I think we have a good home now, and the people at the Eagles have treated us great. I look forward to wrapping up the year with a few of our traditional programs, our membership family picnic at Armitage park, and our officer installation ceremony. The picnic is always a great way to meet our extended family, and the installation is nice for the changing of the guard. I look forward to seeing everyone there. Next week is the last of the berry delivery, but the work is not done yet. Lets go

out there together and start building another great year for our club. Thank you all for your continued help.

Member Concerns

George Matheson who fell and broke a hip last week is now recovering at Eugene Rehab & Specialty Care, 2360 Chambers.

Jack Naff had hernia surgery last Friday.

Gerry Keener's wife, Carolyn, is have a knee replaced on August 31st.

Upcoming Events

- Aug. 17 - Aug 20 District Convention, Lincoln City.
- Aug. 21 Soup Kitchen, 2:00 p.m. 280 W. 8th.
- Aug. 24 Frozen Berry Pickup, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. With pizza party to follow at Papa's on Coburg Road.
- Aug. 26 Late delivery of frozen Berries @ Food For Lane County 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
- Sept. 1 Community Service committee meeting @ Countryside Pizza and Grill, on River Road.
- Sept. 7 Club picnic at Armitage Park, 5:30 p.m.
- Sept. 11 EEK Board Meeting, 12:00 p.m. @ Eagles.
- Sept. 14 Member Birthday Celebration.
- Sept. 14 Division Council meeting @ Sizzler Restaurant, 6:00 p.m. dinner, 7:00 p.m. meeting.
- Sept. 18 Youth Services committee meeting, 12:00 p.m. @ Abby's Pizza, River Road.
- Sept. 21 Special program by Jim Torrey on Schooling in India.
- Oct. 5 Round Table Meeting @ Eagles at noon for those who can't attend evening installation banquet.
- Oct. 5 Club installation banquet, 6:30 p.m. @ Eagles. No noon meeting.
- Oct. 24 Metropolitan Choir Festival @ Willamette High School.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Members' Birthdays

Nancy Reed	8/3	Ray Hull	8/14
Bud Williams	8/21	Ed Johnson	8/22
Bill Riley	8/23	Chuck Leighter	8/27
Helen Baxter	8/29		

Spouses' Birthday

Ginny Busic	8/8
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Members' Anniversaries

Bob & Charlotte Sabin	8/26/1946
Carol & Mel Mead	8/29/1947
Al & Polly Fedje	8/6/1950
Bob & Shirley Kingsbury	8/26/1951
Ralph & Jean Ettel	8/23/1957
Vic & Lynn Green	8/29/1959
Hugh & Birgit Foley	8/31/1968

Highway Pickup

On August 5th Jim Lane led our intrepid highway cleanup crew of Chuck Leighter, Don Lown, Jason Steele, Tamra Steele, Leo Steele, Gabby Steele, Don Johnson, Don Leslie and Carl Ihle who spent 21 hours cleaning up the Beltline Road between mile posts 3 and 4 (from W. 11th north 1 mile). Fourteen bags of trash were filled. Pauline Lane once again provided refreshments after the cleanup was completed. We think her refreshments are a major inducement to come out for the project.

Board Meeting Notes

On August 14th the EEK Board met and conducted the following business:

- Approved the minutes of the June 12th Board meeting. They were not available at the July 10th meeting.
- Approved the minutes of the July 10th Board Meeting.
- Reviewed the Monthly Report. 32 Community Service Hours, 4 members, 48 administrative hours, 26 members, no Interclubs, 78.6 % attendance.
- Received the Treasurer's Report. Service Account, \$56,075.21; Administrative Account, \$5,002; Lunch account, \$202.05.
- Hugh will present an analysis of member dues at the next Board meeting.
- Received thank you letters from Pearl Buck Center, 4 H, Children's Miracle Network and Doernbecher Hospital for our donations to them.
- Jason reported that it would cost between \$250.00 to \$300.00 to purchase a wireless microphone. We now have found the original corded microphone so we now have 2 corded microphones. We will take no action at this time on whether to purchase a wireless system.

- Mel is looking into a lockable cabinet for keeping a lot of our stuff.
- Voted to add Relief Nursery and Toys for Tots to our approved project list on recommendation of the YCPO committee.
- Voted to add Fruit Tree Project to our list of approved projects upon recommendation of the Community Service committee.
- Club will host the Division Council meeting on October 12th at the Sizzler Restaurant.
- The Installation Banquet is scheduled for October 5th.
- Voted to give a leave of absence to Ray Hull from August 1 to October 30.
- Voted to award Bob Sanders its August Speak Out Board Thank You Award for his work in developing an amendment to the District proposed By-laws changing it from a dues increase to a club based incentive to get more members to the District Convention.

Board Thank You Award

Hopefully by now, you are aware that there will be a vote at the District Convention to assess Clubs \$50.00 a year to reduce convention expenses to delegates and thereby get more people to the Convention. At the present time, there are about 100 of the 400 District Clubs who send no delegates to the Convention. The Club Board felt the proposed District By-law change was vague and did not really address what the proposal was intended to do. The July Bulletin covered this in more detail. The Board voted to vote against the amendment unless a more specific refund clause was included. Bob Sanders developed such a clause and the Board voted, in a special meeting, to present this amendment to the District Convention. This clause which reads **However, if a club sends at least one delegate to the District Convention the \$50.00 will be refunded back to the Club.** This changes the District amendment from a Club dues increase to cover convention expenses with some rebate to convention attendees to an incentive to clubs (they get their money back if they can get someone to the convention) to get at least one delegate to a convention. It lets the club determine how to use the rebate. For leading this effort, the Board awards its August Speak Out Board Thank You Award to Bob Sanders.

Frozen Berry Delivery

Thursday August 24 is frozen berry delivery day. Because there are less buckets to deliver we have shortened the delivery time by 1 hour. Official delivery time is from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. with a Pizza party at Papas on Coburg Rd. to start at 7:00 p.m. As always we plan to be ready at least one hour before the official time so please be at Valley River a little before 3:30 p.m.