



Kiwaniis of Monroe, Washington

Meets Wednesdays, @ Noon for lunch at Valley General Hospital...Join Us!

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Today is: December 22, 2004
(Only 8 hours of sunlight! Think SPRING!)

Smile: Watch the face of a two year old...playing with the Xmas wrap paper.
Devotion: "It came upon a midnite clear, with angels bending near the earth, Peace on earth, good will to men."
Various Seasonal selections

Prayers: Bless, please Oh Lord our friends & family with the joy of the seasons, good health and love. Amen.

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TODAY'S PROGRAM:

Our Annual Christmas Party; bring your spouse, a friend or neighbor. After a festive luncheon, Don Steffen (with musical accompaniment) will lead us in Christmas Carolling. So, clear your throats and give a joyful noise for all the seasons we celebrate this Solstice time of year.

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FROM THE DESK OF RON PARK

Luncheon programs not to miss:
Dec. 29: James 'Mr. BackSwing' Bloss
Jan. 5: Lt. Gov. MaryBeth O'leary, "Goals for 2005"
Jan. 12: MPD Chief Tim Quenzer with an update on law enforcement HERE.
Jan. 19: Kathleen Drew, UW Bothell
Jan. 26: Christie Connors, "Fetal Alcohol Syndrome"
Feb. 3: Bill Kennedy & Sgt. Dunn(MPD), "Then and Now in Law Enforcement."

HAPPY HOLIDAY WISH FOR YOU

Today, I wish you a day of ordinary miracles—a fresh pot of coffee you didn't have to make yourself, an unexpected phonecall from an old friend; green stoplights on your way to work or shop. I wish you a day of little things to rejoice in...the fastest line at the grocery, a good sing-along song on the radio, your keys right where you look (the 1st time) and a smile from one who has worked hard all day.

I wish you a day of happiness and perfection – little bitesize pieces of perfection that give you that funny feeling that the Lord is smiling on YOU, holding you sooo gently because you are someone special and rare.

I wish you a day of Peace, Happiness and Joy. May you be that special person whom it only takes a moment to find, an hour to appreciate, a day to love and the rest of someone's life to remember.

Your Editor

The Kiwanians of Monroe, Washington wish you the most pleasant and hopeful holidays of the current year. May your family and friends prosper in the days ahead and your spirit rise above the fray that too often dominates our time.

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PROGRAM REVIEWS

Mr. Ron Park continues to bless each one who comes to the weekly luncheon with memorable programs. Take the Assessor's visit, for example. A former Key Clubber, Cindy Portman was very informative and answered some tough questions, too. Last week, we were

charmed by a presentation by Frazier Lowell, Richard's son. He taught us all a lesson in cultural curiosities found and captured in the heart & mind. Thank you Ron for ALL these programs you so diligently pursue.

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PAUL REASONER RECEIVES GIFT

After waiting patiently for months, the gift of an engraved pen set of marble, with a Kiwanis Logo, Paul did receive the long promised gift from the club for his services last year. It is a long & torturous story, which Paul Osborne related with anguish for all with its presentation.

Thank you Paul..you do have a knack for trusting your fellow Kiwanian.

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GUEST EDITORIAL

"Someone Else Dies Suddenly"

The Monroe Kiwanis Club was saddened to learn this week of the sudden and unexpected passing of one of our club's most active members..SOMEONE ELSE. We must all reflect on this sobering news.

Someone Else's passing creates a vacancy that will be difficult to fill. Else has been with us for years and for every one, Else did far more than the normal person's share of the work. Whenever leadership was mentioned, this wonderful person was looked to for inspiration as well as results. We said, "Someone Else can work with that group." When there was an emergency job to do, a project or amembership drive to organize, or an extra to attend..we said, "Let Someone Else do it." Else gave the most of his time and his talents for others..US!!!!

A wonderful person, almost super-human, Someone Else could only do so much. Were we to tell the truth, we expected too much of Else and now that Else is gone, we wonder what tomorrow holds for us. Who is going to do all the things we were too willing to leave to Else?

Since we can no longer depend upon Some-
One Else to do our work for us, if some-
thing needs to be done, we must do it
together..ourselves..because Someone Else
is gone, leaving us with big example
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**"Reality leaves a lot to
the imagination."**

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**Hugo Black said, "The very first condition
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self!" Kiwanis' Scholarships, perhaps???**

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