

Stan-Cam Happenings

Stanwood-Camano Kiwanis Club
Pacific Northwest District
Division 21



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Our Defining Statement: Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time.

Stanwood-Camano Kiwanis

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Comings and Goings

Welcome to a new Kiwanis year! If you haven't sent in your dues, please do so ASAP. See message from our new secretary on page 2.

Check the committee list on page 2 and if you don't see your name, consider where you would best fit in and sign up! A Kiwanis Club doesn't run by itself, every member has a part in the planning and implimentation of what our club does. The more involved you are in the process, the more we can do!

Cub Scout Pack 86 needs *YOU!* We have an immediate need for adult leaders . . . those willing to help directly with the boys each week and those willing to be behind the scenes helping plan activities. We need more representation from our Kiwanis Club, especially in the planning arena. We are also just beginning our annual Popcorn Sale fundraiser through the end of October. See more about the pack and how you can get involved in Scouting on page 2 and 4.

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Club Meetings

Contact Char Peiffer or a person listed below with any program ideas.

October Programs

- 2 Char Peiffer
- 9 Steve Boskovich
- 16 Kevin Burham
- 23 Board Meeting - all members welcome and encouraged!
- 30 Silent auction to benefit Admin account.

[Ed Note: When you know what your program will be, email or call me - see lower left corner - and I'll add it in after your name, so our members will know.]

November Programs

- 6 Jerome Burnett
- 13 Darby Cook
- 20 Ray Cresap
- 26 Round Table and Board Meeting - all members welcome and encouraged!

Calendar of Events

October

- 1 2008-2009 Kiwanis Administrative Year begins.
- 10 HS Football Fry Shack.
- 13 Columbus Day.
- 31 HS Football Fry Shack.
- 31 Halloween.

November

- 2 Daylight Savings Time ends.
- 4 Election Day.

7 HS Football Fry Shack.

- 11 Veterans Day.
- 22 Food Drive, TBA.
- 27 Thanksgiving.

Future Dates

- Apr 4 Kiwanis One Day.
- June 25-28 Kiwanis International Convention, Nashville, TN.
- Aug 14-16 PNW Dist Convention, Tri-Cities, WA

Pen Scratches from the Secretary . . .

As I begin the new Kiwanis administrative year as your secretary, it is with a lot of nervousness about the responsibilities and the importance of the job. It requires regular reporting to the International office via computer about the community service hours and our membership and other details. It also requires reporting to the club membership via our newsletter.

Thank you, Erika, for facilitating this mode of communication! Thank you Linda B. for the encouragement as you turn over the books to me, ready or not that I am.

Dues: Most members have paid their dues "on time", meaning before Oct 1, which really is more important than one realizes. To know for sure that you are part of our Kiwanis family is an encouragement to all of us on the Board, but it also saves the secretary a lot of worry and work. If you have NOT sent in your dues, please take a minute and do it now! Stanwood-Camano Kiwanis; P.O. Box 583; Stanwood, 98292, or bring with you to the next meeting. In the past, late dues has really hampered our bookkeeping. Maybe this year will be different.

Service hours: One of my jobs as secretary is to report the number of hours spent in Community Service time. I am writing up a form to have at meetings so that you can do it as it happens, which could make it a lot easier to remember to report these hours. The next issue of the newsletter will also have this form so that you can refer to it. FOR THIS MONTH, regarding the hours put in for the month of September, please phone or email your totals, ASAP so that I can include them in the report. My email addy is wordzandpix@verizon.net and my phone number is 360-629-0590.

Board Meeting Minutes (summary of essentials): *New business:* As a club, we mourn the passing of Ken Bell of the Darrington Kiwanis Club, so it was moved, seconded and passed that we contribute \$100 toward a memorial park bench being planned as a cooperative venture with the other local clubs. In addition, since we have a close relationship with the Darrington club, it was moved, seconded and passed that we also contribute \$100 toward their scholarship fund. *For information:* it was pointed out that the local newspaper has an ad from another service club about what they do. We need to do something similar. This will be followed up.

Reminder.... dues, if you have not paid, and service hours.... come to the next meeting...

Pamela

**Support Your Local Cub Scouts!
Buy some Popcorn!**

We have microwave varieties (unbelievable butter, butter, butter light, kettle corn, kettle corn light), Popcorn in Decorative Tins (carmel corns, chocolate covered, cheese varieties), plus Popping Corn in a tin, Trail mix in a tin, and the ever popular Military donation (you donate \$25 and this amount of popcorn goes to the Military and their families -- win-win all around!)

To order from David and Alex, contact Erika via email, phone or meeting.

Need to do a Makeup Meeting?

You can go to any other Kiwanis Club's meeting (see Div. 21 clubs below or go to the Kiwanis International website - www.kiwanis.org - to find a Kiwanis Club anywhere in the world), attend a Key Club, Builders Club, or another sponsored youth club's meeting, participate in a club project (two maximum each month can count for make-ups), attend a Division, District or International meeting or event, attend a Club Board meeting, or attend a Club Committee meeting.

**Let the Secretary know if you attend any of these meetings or events.

Other Division 21 Clubs:

Arlington -- Meets 1st & 3rd Wed.

7pm, Boys & Girls Club.

Darrington -- Meets 2nd & 3rd Mon.

7pm, Senior Center.

Everett-Evergreen -- Meets Fri. 7am,

Evergreen Bowling Alley.

Everett Golden K -- Meets Thurs.

10am, Everett Senior Center.

Lake Stevens -- Meets 1st Wed 7pm,

other Weds. 6:30am, Buzz Inn.

Marysville -- Meets Tues. 7am, Village

Restaurant.

Mukilteo -- Meets Tues. 7:30am,

Harbour Pointe Golf Club.

Silver Lake, Everett -- Meets 1st Wed

7pm, other Weds. 7am, Patty's

Eggnest Chuckwagon Inn.

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**Have you invited
someone to Kiwanis,
lately?**

**All you have to do is
ask . . . they
just might say
'Yes!'**



Young Children
PRIORITY ONE

Club Committees

~ chairperson(s) in **bold** ~

Club Meetings: Tom & Char Peiffer

Interclubs: Pamela Barton

Scholarships: Dan Follette, Mick Hanson, Kate Wigner

Membership: Char Peiffer, Lloy Schaaf

Young Children: Erika Sigmon

Sponsored Youth: Linda Boland, Kate Wigner

Key Club Advisor:

K-Kids Advisor: Kathleen Nelles

Risk Management: Jack Stedman

Public Relations: Erika Sigmon
(newsletter)

Community Service: Char Peiffer, Lynn Wilkerson

Every Day Hero Nominations:
everyone!

Fund Raising: Tom Peiffer, Jack Perry, Howard Quigley, Kevin Burham

Camano Climb: Mark Everett

Spiritual Values: Ron Frey, Pamela Barton

Sunshine: Laura Peterson, Bob Jacobs

If you don't see your name - pick one to be on! We need everyone to help keep our club running smoothly.

Sponsored Youth News



The K-Kids at Elger Bay Elementary should be starting up again now that school is back in session.

If you are interested in helping with the K-Kids this school year, contact Linda Boland.



We are looking for a location other than the High School to start a Key Club - please pass along any ideas! Key Club is for High School level students. It mirrors a Kiwanis Club -

doing service projects for the school and community. Key Clubs elect their own officers and run their own meetings, with at least two adult advisors keeping them on track to success. We are in need of two advisors for this group. The meeting day and time have not been determined, but will most likely be an after-school activity. Tell Tom if you are interested in being an advisor.

Committee Reports

All members should plan to participate in at least one committee each year. If you don't see your name in the committee list in the left column of this page, choose one and let President Tom know. This is your club, your help is needed to keep things running. We can do great things when we all work together!

The **Club Meeting** committee wants to remind everyone to check page 1 for their name beside a meeting date. This is the meeting where you are in charge of the program. If you need suggestions contact Char. If you are unable to make the date assigned to you, please let Char know in advance so we can make arrangements for someone else to have the guest speaker. We all enjoy having guest speakers and not having one upsets our program for the day!!

Whenever a 5th meeting occurs during the month (next one is in May), instead of a speaker we will hold a white elephant auction to raise funds for our administrative account. Plan to bring a white elephant item and bid on your favorite items that others have brought.

Membership: Do you know someone who would make a good member of our club? Invite them to attend a meeting or a project! Talk to them about how fun and rewarding Kiwanis can be.

The **Community Service** committee is preparing service project opportunities for our club. We have a food drive coming up in November using an Apple Cup - Huskies versus Cougars theme, like last year. We ask patrons to donate items and put them into the Husky or Cougar bins as they "vote" for their favorite Washington football team. It's a fun way to collect food for our local food bank, which is seeing increased usage recently.

The **Fund Raising** committee is entertaining new ideas for fund-raisers for the coming year. If you have an idea, talk to someone in this committee.

The **Interclub** committee is shooting for two a month again this year. Check the board during the regular meetings and sign up to attend. This is a great way to meet other Kiwanians & keep up on perfect attendance! Keep up the good work everyone!



Birthdays & Anniversaries

October

7 Anniv: Palmer & Trudy Sather

17 Pamela Barton

18 Tom Peiffer

22 Stuart Harpel

Cub Scout Pack 86



We have a full calendar of fun activities for the boys this year. To fund these activities, we are doing our annual popcorn sale through the end of October. Please support these boys, so that this can be our only fundraiser this year. The funds raised will pay for outings, supplies, badges, membership renewal in January, and Summer Camps. Plus the popcorn is really great! (If you don't want popcorn for yourself, consider donating \$25 to send this amount of popcorn products to the Military and their families - it's a great way to support Scout and the Military at the same time!)

We are also currently in the middle of a recruitment drive to add more boys to our pack. To support this effort, we are in need of able adult volunteers to help teach the boys and have fun with them and we are in need of adults to be behind the scenes planning and approving of pack activities throughout the year.

We are in need of a Webelos Den Leader (or two). Currently we have our Webelos 1's and 2's together in one group, but this makes things difficult when the older boys need to be doing different activities than the younger ones to prepare for moving to Boy Scouts this spring. Webelos are 4th and 5th grade boys working on specific activity badges which prepare them for becoming Boy Scouts during the spring of 5th grade. This is a very worthwhile job - our Webelos are a good group of boys!

We could also use an Assistant Wolf Den Leader, a Committee Chair (Glenda's position) and at-large committee members (the organizers behind the scenes) for our group, so if you are interested, please consider it! We meet on Tuesdays from 6:30pm to 7:30pm at the Stanwood United Methodist Church - you are welcome to come anytime to observe. The Pack Committee usually meets on a Tuesday or Thursday evening about once every month or every other month, so if you become a committee member the time commitment is not as great, depending on your assigned task.

Many of our parents have stepped up to the task, but some cannot make that much of a commitment of their time right now because of work or college courses or active siblings doing other activities.

For more information talk to Erika. *You can make a difference in young boys' lives!*

Community service has taught me all kinds of skills and increased my confidence. You go out there and think on your feet, work with others and create something from nothing. That's what life's all about.

– Andrew Shue

THE DIVISION 21 WEBSITE:
www.snohomishkiwanis.org/D21.htm

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Be on the look-out for Every Day Heros in Stanwood/Camano! Each month with the help of the local Police or Fire Departments, our club will choose an **Every Day Hero** to give a special framed award certificate and medal to. The person (or persons) will be someone from the community who did something that makes them a hero in some measure, great or small. If you know of someone in our community who deserves nomination for this award, contact the EDH nominating committee.

See news about all **committees** on page 3.

Highlights of the September **Board Meeting** are on page 2 (secretary report).

A Young Children Priority One spotlight:

Every year in the US over 470,000 babies arrive too soon and in over half the cases, the cause is unknown. The March of Dimes is working to combat this silent crisis.

November is Prematurity Awareness Month - look for buildings lit up in pink and blue next month.



Doing your Part

Collect greetings cards and stationary to give to residents of Josephine Retirement Home. Do you get card sets in the mail from other charities? Bring them to the next meeting. Josephine residents will use them to send to friends and family. Any cards from birthday to blank note cards are welcome. Last year we gave over 100 Christmas cards, notecards and postage stamps to Josephine for their use, which they appreciated very much.