

Tillicum Tabloid

Kiwanis Club of Snohomish Tillicum



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March 2008

Swiftly Creek follow-up

Frank Spaetig, Feb 18, 2008

Because of your efforts (Tillicum Kiwanis) the waters flow clear and cold in Swiftly creek. An inspection of Swiftly creek flowing through the Freshman campus on Monday February 18th confirmed that the efforts made to eliminate the flooding of the campus by redirecting the creek are working to date.

However there are miles to go before the creek flows unabated into the Pilchuck river.

No fish observed!



Early Easter for 2008!

Did you know, Easter is always the first Sunday after the first full moon after the Spring Equinox (which is March 20 this year)? This dating of Easter is based on the lunar calendar that Hebrew people used to identify Passover, which is why it moves around on our Roman calendar.

Found out a couple of things you might be interested in:

Based on the above, Easter can actually be one day earlier (March 22) but that is pretty rare.

This year is the earliest Easter any of us will ever see the rest of our lives! And only the most elderly of our population have ever seen it this early. The last time it was this early was 1913, so if you're 95 or older, you are the only ones that were around for that!

And none of us have ever, or will ever, see it a day earlier!

Here are the facts:

The next time Easter will be this early on March 23 will be the year 2160, 152 years from now. The next time it will be a day earlier, March 22, will be in the year 2285 (277 years from now). The last time it was on March 22 was 1818. So, no one alive today has or will ever see it any earlier than this year!

Since the Gregorian Calendar was adopted in 1582, Easter has fallen on March 23 in 1636, 1704, 1788, 1845, 1856, 1913, and 2008. Easter has fallen on March 22 only 4 times in 1598, 1693, 1761, and 1818. Easter will not fall on March 22 again until 2285.

Quote of the Day

"I can't say I was ever lost but I was bewildered once for three days"..

Daniel Boone

MEETING TIME:

Mondays 10:00 AM

St. Michael Catholic Church
1512 Pine Avenue
Snohomish, WA

Please give John Bruce, Jim Rahm or Wally Walsh any corrections you observe. Also any articles for the newsletter are gladly accepted.

Thank you!



Thanks a Bunch!

Jan 25 2008, from a participant in our Back Pack program

To: The Snohomish Food Bank (& Tillicum Kiwanis)

I am writing this to you because, I want to say thank you for all you guys have done for me. I go to Aim High school. I cant thank you enough. My family (me and my son) don't really have any money and with you giving us all the food you have, has made it a lot easier. You guys have helped us out SO much. I just wanted to thank you ALL!!

Thank you so much again, Kindra H.



Interclubs

March	Frank Spaetig
April	Stan Jones
May	Howard Averill
June	Richard Jarratt
July	Paul Howe
August	Jack King
September	Sonia Rahm

Programs

March	Sonia Rahm
April	Cliff Bailey
May	Gary Maxfield
June	David Pesznecker
July	Frank Spaetig
August	Laurel Elmer
September	Doris Wentworth

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Guess who?

Photo taken in 1942 - she is now the matriarch of a well known American family.

Fargo Flips for World Record

From PNW District website

Kiwanians in Fargo, North Dakota, can add the Guinness Book of World Records to the growing list of publications in which they are featured and this not-so-small victory is as sweet as the maple syrup poured over the pancakes they served to get there. (See "Fargo Pancake Fame Goes Far," October 2007 KIWANIS magazine.)

About 300 volunteers joined 100 Kiwanians to flip and serve a record 34,818 pancakes 4,093 more than needed to beat a record established in 2002 by the Lions Club in Lubbock, Texas' during the 50th annual Pancake Karnival fundraiser on February 9.

'With (a Guinness adjudicator) there, we were able to get immediate confirmation that we set the record,' says club president Matthew Sullivan. 'With this being our silver anniversary, it was really neat to see some of the members of the community who had been to all 50 Karnivals.'

The Fargo Kiwanis club's pancake fundraiser also has been mentioned as one of the 1,000 Places to See Before You Die: In the USA and Canada and in a 2003 National Geographic magazine article.



Proving that the Pancake Karnival is a Fargo Favorite, patrons line up to fill up on piping-hot pancakes, savory sausage, and sweet orange juice

IT'S NOT IN THE BUDGET

From Sylvester Neal, candidate for International Vice President

Since it is time for clubs to be working on the coming year's budget, I thought I would share how the budget may impact retention.

New members can be a re-energizing force in our clubs. They bring new talents, fresh ideas, and new community connections. But most importantly, they can bring new service opportunities to the attention of the club. Many new members join a club because they want to make a difference in a specific area of interest. If they do not initially come with service ideas, some potential projects may soon develop after they join. How the club responds to these can make or break the new member and may determine if they stay.

A new member may bring a superb service idea to the club in the middle of the administrative year. They are deflated by the words too often heard, "Sorry- It's not in the Budget".

Kiwanis clubs who encourage new ideas, new thinking, and new ways of doing things may very well help keep their back door closed. The sooner people feel that they can contribute to the mission and success of the club, the greater their commitment will likely be. This applied to new and old members.

One solution I have often seen is that the finance committee or the board will set aside a service contingency fund as a line item of the budget. When new, unbudgeted, opportunities come to the club, at least it can be evaluated. Even if the projects are not approved, the new members will feel their voices were heard. But, the most important thing a club leader can do is thank all members for their ideas and encourage even more. Your response should not have to be – "It's not in the budget".

Old Aviators and Old Airplanes.....

A little story about a vivid memory of a P-51 and its pilot, as told by a fellow who was 12 years old in Canada in 1967.

It was noon on a Sunday, as I recall, the day a Mustang P-51 was to take to the air. They said it had flown in during the night from some U.S. airport; the pilot had been tired and wanted to lay-over for the night. I marveled at the size of the plane, now dwarfing the Pipers and Canucks tied down by her. It was much larger than in the movies, and she glistened in the sun like a bulwark of security from days gone by. The pilot arrived by cab, paid the driver, and then stepped into the flight lounge. He was an older man; his wavy hair was gray and tossed. Looked like it might have been combed, sayaround the turn of the century. His flight jacket was checked, creased and worn - it smelled old and genuine.. Old Glory was prominently sewn to its shoulders. He projected a quiet air of calm proficiency and pride devoid of arrogance. He filed a quick flight plan to Montreal (Expo-67, Air Show) then walked across the tarmac to the waiting old war bird. After taking several minutes to perform his walk-around check, the pilot returned to the flight lounge to ask if anyone would be available to stand by with fire extinguishers while he 'flashed the old bird up'.Just to be safe.

Though only 12 at the time, I was allowed to stand by with an extinguisher after brief instruction on its use. "If you see a fire, point, then pull this lever!" (..I later became a firefighter, but that's another story). The air around the 12 exhaust manifolds shimmered like a mirror from the fuel fumes as the huge propeller started to rotate. One manifold, then another, and yet another, coughed ...then barked in their wakenings. I stepped back with the others, and in moments the huge V-12 Packard-built Merlin 14-hundred horsepower engine came to life with a thunderous roar, blue flames knifed from her exhaust manifolds, the concussion of the exhausts shaking the air. Myself stunned, I looked at the others' faces, but there was seemingly no concern, so I lowered the bell of my extinguisher. One of the other guys signaled to walk back to the lounge. We did. Several minutes later, we could hear the pilot doing his pre-flight run-up. He had taxied down to the end of runway 19, out of our sight. All went quiet for several seconds; we raced from the lounge to the second story deck to see if we could catch a glimpse of the P-51 as she started down the runway. We could not. But there we stood, eyes fixed to a spot half way down 19, waiting to catch that final glimpse of a veteran of the skies. Then a roar ripped across the field, much louder than before, like a furious hell-spawn set loose!! Something mighty this way was coming!!

"My God!! Listen to that thing!" said the controller. And in seconds, the Mustang burst into our line of sight. Its tail was already off, and it was moving faster than anything I'd ever seen by that point on Runway 19. Two-thirds the way down 19, the Mustang was airborne with her gear going up. The prop tips were now supersonic and we clasped our ears as the Mustang climbed hellishly fast into the circuit only to be eaten up by the dog-day haze. We stood for a few moments in stunned silence, still trying to digest what we'd just seen. Then the radio controller rushed by me to the radio. "Kingston tower calling Mustang?" He looked back to us as he waited for an acknowledgment. The radio crackled, "Go ahead Kingston ." "Roger Mustang. Kingston tower would like to advise the circuit is clear for a low level pass." I stood in shock because the controller had, more or less, just asked the pilot to return for an impromptu 'air show' ! The controller looked at us. "...What?" He asked. "....I can't let that guy go without at least asking! I could never forgive myself !" The radio crackled once again, "Kingston , do I have permission for a low level pass, east to west, across the field ?" "Roger Mustang, the circuit is clear for an east to west pass." "Roger, Kingston, I'm coming out of 3000 feetstand by." We rushed back onto the second-story deck again, our eyes fixed toward the eastern haze. The sound was subtle at first, a high-pitched whine, a muffled screech, a distant scream in the morning air. Moments later the P-51 burst through the haze. Her airframe straining against positive G's and gravity, wing tips spilling contrails of condensed air, prop-tips again supersonic as the burnished bird blasted across the eastern margin of the field, shredding and tearing the still air with a banshee scream of her twelve cylinders. At about 400+ mph and 150 yards from where we stood, she passed with the old American pilot saluting us!! Imagine.... a salute ! I felt like laughing, I felt like crying, she glistened, she screamed, the building shook, my heart pounded. Then the old pilot pulled her upand rolled, and rolledand rolled out of sight into the broken cloudsand indelibly into my memory.

I've never wanted to be an American more than on that day. It was a time when many nations in the world looked to America as their 'big brother'; a steady and even-handed beacon of security, who navigated difficult political waters with grace and style; not unlike the pilot who'd just flown forever into my memory. He was proud, not arroganthumble, not a braggart, old and honest, projecting an aura of America at its very best.

Flower - Violet, Jonquil

March 2008

Gem stone - Aquamarine

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 <i>Joined 2003 Marilyn Jones 10:00am Club Meeting</i>	4	5	6	7 ●	8
9	10 <i>Birthday Jim Rahm 10:00am Club Meeting</i>	11	12	13	14 ◐	15 <i>Zone Conference Mt Vernon</i>
16	17 <i>8:30am Board mtg 10:00am Club Meeting St. Patty's</i>	18	19	20 <i>Spring Equinox</i>	21 ○	22 <i>Snohomish Easter Parade</i>
23 <i>Easter</i>	24 <i>10:00am Club Meeting</i>	25	26	27	28	29 ◐
30	31 <i>10:00am Club Meeting</i>					

March 1 **Senior Breakfast** 8:30am 10:30am St Michael's
March 15 **Zone Conference** Mount Vernon
June 26-29 **Kiwanis International Conference** Orlando FL. **Elect Sylvester Neal International Vice President**
July 19-20 **Snohomish Tillicum Salmon Barbecue** 12 noon - 8pm Hill Park
August 14-16 **PNW District Conference** Tri-Cities WA

Next Board Meeting is March 17th

Our web address: <http://snohomishkiwanis.org/tillicum.htm>

We have Batteries!!

John Diel



Profiles: celebrating 20 years of women in Kiwanis

Another profile of amazing Kiwanis women (from Kiwanis International Website):-

Judi Miller, Kiwanis Club of Greater Greenville, Bath, North Carolina

Age: 59 **Number of Children:** 1 son (a former Key Clubber), 1 daughter (a former Keywanette), 4 granddaughters

Occupation: Treasurer and corporate secretary, R.R. Miller Construction Inc.

Year Joined Kiwanis: 1999

Current Kiwanis Positions: Immediate past president; active with the East Carolina Aktion Club

Previous Kiwanis Position: Lieutenant governor, Carolinas District; club vice-president, treasurer, secretary, and member of board of directors

Other Community Activities and Accomplishments: Crime Stoppers, Salvation Army, Boys and Girls Club, Lion's Club, Special Olympics, and member of safety committee for Chamber of Commerce which honors fire, rescue, and law enforcement personnel each year

Why Join Kiwanis? "... the best thing about being a Kiwanian is the interaction between the Kiwanis family. From Golden K clubs to K-Kids, everyone can find a niche."

Kiwanis, CMN celebrate 25 years together

Feb 26 2008, from Kiwanis International website

It's difficult to grasp how many children have been touched by the powerful partnership between Kiwanis and the Children's Miracle Network (CMN). Each year, Kiwanis funds to CMN impact the lives of more than 17 million children—roughly equal to Beijing China's total population.

This year, Kiwanis and CMN celebrate a milestone 25 years in partnership.

"For the past 25 years, Kiwanis has done everything in its power to help millions of children treated at Children's Miracle Network hospitals," says Jim Hall, president and Chief Executive Officer of CMN.

"Because of Kiwanis' creative fundraising and service-oriented mission, children throughout North America continue to have access to world-class, life-saving care."

Kiwanis has contributed more than US\$43 million for Children's Miracle Network hospitals during the past 25 years. Those Kiwanis dollars translate into help for hospitalized children, providing:

- 1,065 neo-natal intensive care unit beds
- 672 repaired hearts
- 2,730 brain MRIs
- 196 bone marrow transplants
- 582 lives without cancer

"Children's Miracle Network is lucky to have the support of incredible service-oriented organizations like Kiwanis," Jim Hall says.

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