

Karen Charnell Becomes a Tillicum

It was my great pleasure to sponsor Karen Charnell into Kiwanis on May 12th 2008. Karen is the Executive Director of the Snohomish Senior Center, as we all know Karen is great in that capacity, being the go getter she is. Although Karen cannot attend all the Tillicum meetings because of her work schedule, she is often found 30 feet away at her desk listening to our antics.

Anyway, we all know Karen will be a great Tillicum; Karen, we thank you for joining the Kiwanis Club of Snohomish-Tillicum and welcome!

Jim Rahm, May 12, 2008



A visit to Seaside Kiwanis

John Bruce, May 22, 2008

On our way back from Cannon Beach, we stopped in for a visit at the Seaside OR Kiwanis at their meeting at the Pig N Pancake restaurant. It was different, started with the Pledge, then no patriotic song (whew!), there was an inspirational reading with a moment of silence then lunch was served! They had just completed their Annual Golf Tournament, one of their fund raisers, and netted around \$1900. Some of that money goes to the upkeep of Camp Kiwanalong, a summer camp for kids that has community wide support. It also helps pay for 2 scholarships at Seaside High School. The program was turned over to the Regional ODOT Project Development Director explaining local construction management and contracts. All in all, an interesting and pleasant noon hour!

Quote of the Day

Fatherhood is pretending the present you love most is soap-on-a-rope.

Bill Cosby

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!

Postal Food Drive 05/10/2008



Photos by Sonia Rahm Jim Rahm & John Bruce

May 10th was the annual Postal Food drive across the Nation. Snohomish 98290 and 98291 have been the winners of the most pounds gathered for the nation's food banks the past two years. We congratulate our Snohomish postal workers for their strong efforts each year collecting May 2006, 30,000 pounds and May 2007 33,000 pounds of food. Collected this year as of May 13th Daryl Bertholet reports 26,000 pounds of food arrive at the food bank with more to come as last bit arrives to the post office. We hope the Snohomish postal workers will once again win in 2008 for the users of food bank.

Daryl indicates there are an average of 5 families per day that food bank is open who are in need of help.

As in the past, the Tillicum was well represented at the food bank before, during and after the drive to prepare space, receive and catalog the committee's generous gift of food along with lots of others to handle the work load. On hand for the event were President John, Secretary Sonia, Melody, Marylyn, Pat, 3rd ascendant Treasurer Logan, and Jim R.

.....by Jim Rahm



Officers and Board Elected for 2008-2009

John Bruce May 12, 2008

On the recommendation of the Election Committee chaired by Art Langdon, the following persons were elected for 2008-2009 year by unanimous voice vote at our meeting on May 12th, 2008:

James McAllister - President	2008-2011 Board Members: Laurel Elmer
Frank Spaetig - President Elect	Bob Fisher
Gary Maxfield - Vice President	Paul Howe

The Secretary and Treasurer Officers remain the same.

Programs for June

June 2	Middle school/Freshman awards	June 23	Merritt Wolfkill, Bio diesel
June 9	Hans Dunshee	June 30	Steve Kline, PUD
June 16	Liz Loomis		

Interclub Chairpersons

June	Richard Jarratt
July	Paul Howe
August	Jack King
September	Sonia Rahm

Program Chairpersons

June	David Pesznecker
July	Frank Spaetig
August	Laurel Elmer
September	Doris Wentworth

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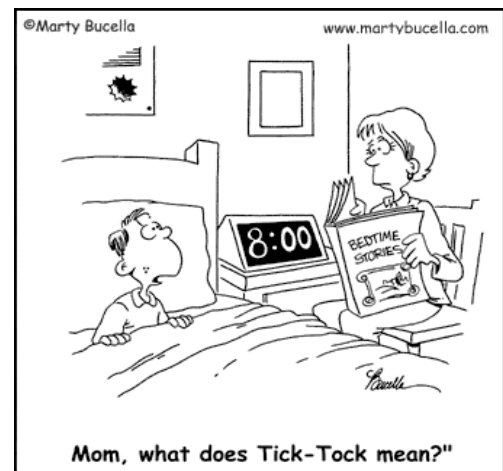
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PNW DIVISION 22

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Wally Walsh

2007-2008 Committee Chairpersons

Community Service:	Sonia Rahm
Sponsored Youth/ Young Children Priority One:	Doris Wentworth
Human & Spiritual Values:	Art Poier
Club Administration:	Bob Heirman
Membership Growth & Education:	Art Langdon
Public Relations:	Jim Rahm
Finance and Fund Raising:	Donna Walsh
Sergeant at arms	Sam Twibell
	Art Langdon



Flower: Rose

June 2008

Birthstone: Pearl

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 10:00am Club Meeting	3 ● Joined 2002 Jim Rahm	4 Birthday Don Ness 	5	6	7
8	9 10:00am Club Meeting	10 ◐	11 Birthday David Pesznecker 	12	13	14
15 Fathers Day 	19 8:30am Board meeting 10:00am Club Meeting	17	18 ○	19	20 Summer Solstice 	21
22	23 10:00am Club Meeting	24	25 Birthday John Diel 	26 ◐	27	28
29	30 10:00am Club Meeting					

- June 7 **Senior Breakfast** 8:30am 10:30am St Michael's
- June 7 **Kids Fishing Derby** 7:30am to 1:00pm Hill Park Sportsman club
- June 26 **Edmonds Seniors Kiwanis Annual Berry Sales**, Strawberries
- June 26-29 **Kiwanis International Conference** Orlando FL. **Elect Sylvester Neal - International Vice President.**
- July 10 **Edmonds Seniors Kiwanis Annual Berry Sales**, Raspberries
- July 11-12 **Monroe Kiwanis Garage sale** at the Ben Franklin store parking lot
- 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 June 19th

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

We have Batteries!!

John Diel



Let's Do Lunch Sometime!

Frank Spaetig, May 26, 2008

Let's do lunch sometime. Great idea. However, nothing will happen until both parties make a commitment and set a specific time and date. Commitment is the catalyst you must first have. A mindset to do something before any positive action will take place.

The Tillicum Kiwanis must develop a membership growth program. You see the membership development easel signs on the tables each Monday to remind us to sponsor new members. However, once seen, soon forgotten and herein lies the problem. How can Tillicum Kiwanis stimulate you to solicit new members?

We need your help, your input, suggestions, ideas and other action that you can provide.

Giving the Gift of Freedom

Kiwanis Magazine April 2008

The Texas Ramp Project brings together Kiwanians and Volunteers to 'build freedom for the home bound'

It's a shame Hank Aaron already nabbed the title *I Had a Hammer* for his autobiography, because John Laine sure could have used it. If you listen to the stories John has to share, you'll understand. After hearing how he has led hundreds of volunteers to change the lives of thousands of Texans, you'll be ready to grab a hammer and head there yourself to smack a few nails.

John is president of the Texas Ramp Project, a nonprofit organization that brings ramps to homebound Texans

Sure, the stories he shares all have a common thread, but they also are as different as day and night.

"Virtually every day I am touched by some person," John says. "This past week, I spoke to a lady while she was undergoing dialysis. She had fallen twice on the front steps of her home, and the social worker at the clinic insisted I chat with Clemmie. I visited her home while she was still on dialysis. The ability to respond quickly is a hallmark of the project.



"That same week we received a call from a lady in the panhandle of Texas whose husband's health is failing with Parkinson's Disease. The last time he tried to take out the garbage, he fell and his wife was hard pressed to get him back into the house. We will help this family. But it is sad to understand there is so little help available locally. There are thousands of others across the state with similar problems. Our vision statement is that no one in Texas shall lack safe access for financial reasons."

The **Kiwanis Club of Richardson, Texas**, started the project in 1985 after members were approached to build a wheelchair ramp for a friend of a member. By the time John joined in 1989, members already had built 20 ramps. And since then, they have built more than 2,000 ramps in the Dallas area. Projects are determined through referrals from healthcare professionals.

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The project spread to other cities across the state as well. To set up a city with a new ramp project, Richardson Kiwanians go through three steps. First, they visit each city and talk with people who can identify the amount of need. They then visit other Kiwanis clubs, churches, colleges, and businesses to identify volunteer leaders who can be trained in that city. They also identify funding sources in each city—anyone interested in assisting the program to get it started.

“It is truly heartwarming to see both the volunteers who come into our project and get excited about helping others, as well as the joy our clients express when their ramps are installed,” John says. “It is a personal blessing to be part of this work.”

Clients find it hard to fight back tears when describing the life-changing experience they’ve gone through after having a home ramp installed.

“They came in and basically stopped me from going insane in the house,” says one female client. “They built this beautiful, wonderful ramp for me and basically gave me freedom to come and go. And I do go.”

Kiwanis Provides Clothes for Kids From Kiwanis International website

Kiwanis members of the Kiwanis Club of Downtown Springfield talked with school officials to determine the greatest needs of children in the Springfield area. It was determined that children in many elementary schools in our area go without adequate clothing. As a result, we established Kiwanis Clothesline project.

For the Kiwanis Clothesline project, we partner with a local clothing bank and school officials to make it a success for the children. School officials contact Kiwanis member volunteers when there are children that have clothing needs. Members then put together clothing care packages and deliver them directly to the schools for children to take home. Parents often do not utilize other clothing bank resources for their children because they do not have transportation, cannot get to the resources within operating hours, are embarrassed to seek out the assistance or they may be neglectful.

The Kiwanis Clothesline project addresses these issues by providing clothing directly to the needy students.

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