

# Siskiwan

Kiwanis Club of Sisters September 2016

## Run to the Top Race is a Great Finale to a Great Year



**Suzy Ramsey** and her team of race planners pulled off a nearly perfect fundraising event to conclude

another great year for the club.

With the help of most of the club members and with three of our own club members running, they braved nearly perfect weather, beautiful wilderness scenery to run a Half Marathon (13.1 miles) with the final mile and a half up a 1000 foot mountain, arghh! Elite runner **Nick Scalfone** from Bend finished first in 1 hour and 29 minutes, over 12 minutes ahead of the second place runner and 2 hours ahead of the last walker. 36 of 38 runners finished the race, including 13 year old **Luke Larson**, our youngest runner ever, Whoa!. Check out more from the Race to the Top on Page 6-7



## Thank You President Suzanne

As President **Suzanne Carvlin** completes her last meeting of the year. Incoming president **Doug Wills** prepares to take the challenge of herding our unruly group of cats into the new year. The new slate of officers will be:



- **Doug Wills** - President
- **Liam Hughes** - President Elect
- **Jack McGilvary** - Treasurer (again 18 years, wow, Jack)
- **Roxanne Lenahan** - Secretary

The full new roster of assignments for 2016-17 is on page 10

**Thank you, Suzanne, for leading us through an extraordinary year of service and fun. We salute you!**

# From the President



Dear Sisters Kiwanis Club,

The end of the 2015-2016 Kiwanis Year has arrived. It has certainly been an eventful year serving as your president.

Our club has completed many projects and fundraisers together: the See's Candies Sales, the Buckaroo Breakfast, the Antiques & Bling Sale, the greenhouse at the High School, and many more.

We have had to say goodbye to some outstanding members: Bob Woollard & Jean O'Hara and some of our own family members, parents and close friends.

Through our ups and downs, you have all pulled together to make this a truly fantastic year!

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to you all. Thank you all for your support, patience, and friendship over the past year. I have learned a great deal from you and will miss serving as your president.

It has been a great pleasure partnering with you.

Thank you to you all for a fun and fantastic year serving our Sisters Community!

*President Suzanne*

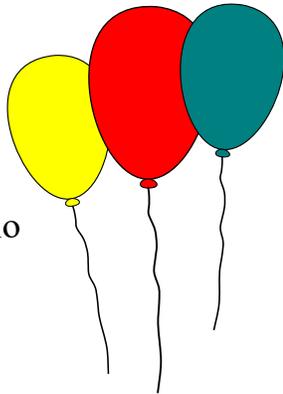
# Members



## MILESTONES for SEPTEMBER

### Birthdays

- 8th Tay Robertson
- 11th Marcea DeGregorio
- 13th Doug Roberts
- 24th Shirley Lalli
- 28th Liam Hughes
- 28th Roger Johnson



### Wedding Anniversaries

- 11th Jan & Hank Failing 18 years
- 20th May Fan & Kris Calvin 30 years
- 23th Gary & Cookie Kutz 20 years

### Club Anniversaries

- 5th Jan Failing 8 years
- 6th Dave Marlow 15 years
- 27th Dave Roberts 11 years
- 29th Pat Woollard 7 years
- 29th Gary Kutz 7 years

## New Member Pam Woodson



Thanks to the fine work of **Bob Walter** and **Sheryl McLaughlin** the club has another great new member, **Pam Woodson**.

**Bob** met **Pam** at the weekly cribbage club and when **Bob** described what the Kiwanis club does for the community, Pam was hooked. Pam and her husband Terry are new to the Sisters area, moving here in May of this year. At her induction this month Pam told us a little about her background. Here's a recap in case you missed it:

*I grew up in a beach community in So. Cal called Torrance. My Swedish family settled in Los Angeles in 1900. They worked as home builders, electricians, and cooks. Every Christmas Eve the entire family would go to Grandma Simmies house and have a real Swedish Smorg-a-borg. That time with the family is a great childhood memory. In my teens and early 20's I was a ramp model. From there, I got a real job in banking. Then I met a group of people who were Women's Rights Activists. They invited me to a meeting, and offered me a job. That was an incredible period in my life and when it ended I found a very long career in Restaurant Management and Event Planning. We have been married for 16 years & I have 2 step daughters and 3 grandkids and 4 dogs. My interests include; Travel, Sewing, Gardening & NASCAR.*

*Now I would like to tell you all how I feel about you.*

*Many people have come and gone thru the doors of my life, They have taken what they needed and I have given back all I can. Our moments together are only seconds in my lifetime, But so important to me because WE are all giving back to our Community. Only a glimpse of the sun, but enough to warm my heart.*

Welcome **Pam!**

# Meetings



## Program Speakers Schedule

### September

- 1 - President's Meeting
- 8 - Susan Springer - SMS Music
- 15 - Oregon National Guard Youth
- 22 - Benny Benson -Sisters Airport II
- 29 - Tate Metcalf - Ashton Eaton in Rio

### October

- 6 - President's Meeting
- 13 - Jim Barnett-West Coast History
- 20 - Cal Allen-SHS Science Club
- 27 - Rick Allen - Sisters Interim City Manager

(If you have program suggestions or ideas please contact **Jim Smith**, and be sure to thank him for all that he has scheduled for us.)

## ASPIRE Mentor Program at SHS



**Rick Kroytz** dropped in to bring us up to date on the ASPIRE Program at Sisters High School. ASPIRE is “Access to Student-assistance Programs In Reach of Everyone”. It is focused to help students get where they really want to go. The program is an extension of the high school counseling department and provides students with one-on-one assistance. All seniors and juniors are matched with an ASPIRE mentor. The ASPIRE mentor is a volunteer from the community with real world experience in their field of interest. They help students think about career goals and access education and training beyond high school. Mentors help students through the steps of:

- EXPLORING career and schooling options
- PLANNING AHEAD to keep their options open for the future
- FINDING and getting into the right school
- FUNDING their schooling

If you are interested in learning more about ASPIRE, or volunteering to be a mentor contact **Rick Kroytz**, ASPIRE Coordinator Sisters High School 541-549-3203 [rick.kroytz@sisters.k12.or.us](mailto:rick.kroytz@sisters.k12.or.us)

## New Program Chair

After more than a year of bringing us an exceptional array of programs every week **Jim Horsley** is stepping down as program chair. In



fact, **Jim** announced that he will be leaving the club to spend more time on some of his many other pursuits in the community. We wish you well **Jim** and

thank you for your service. **Jim Smith** has stepped forward and will be taking over programs. Thank you, **Jim**.

# Projects



## FOOD BANK RESULTS

AUGUST 2016 (4 week mo.)

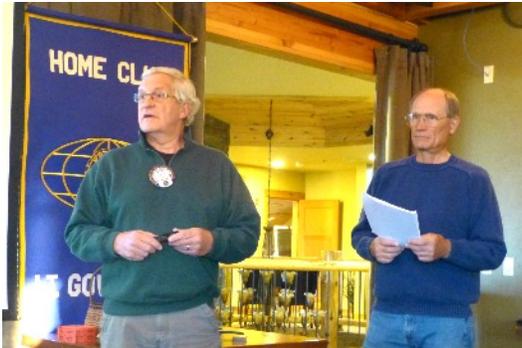
Families Served-85      Adults- 176      Children- 87

Food boxes valued at \$16,474 - weighing 10,978 pounds

14 Kiwanis volunteers serving 117 hours.

7 Community volunteers serving 87 hours.

## Buckaroo Table Upgrade Project



At a recent meeting **Dave Marlow** and **David Hiller** presented a proposal

is \$2,392. If each member is willing to donate a minimum of \$30 to the Sisters Kiwanis Club Foundation we should be able to cover the costs without effecting either the Buckaroo Breakfast fundraiser or our general fund. The donation is tax deductible. If you are able to donate more that is terrific. We can use it for some additional improvements that have been pointed out.

to upgrade the work and eating tables out at our Buckaroo Breakfast Area. As you know, our agreement with Sisters Rodeo Association is that we will make improvements to the area each year. This year we would like to improve the tables. The plastic seating tables are in poor condition after years in the weather.

The proposal is for Sisters Kiwanis Club to buy the necessary lumber for building the tables. Heart of Oregon Youth Corp will use these constructions as training in their carpentry classes at the design center in Redmond. They will build the tables to the specifications and drawings that were prepared by **Dave Marlow** and deliver and install them for us. Total cost



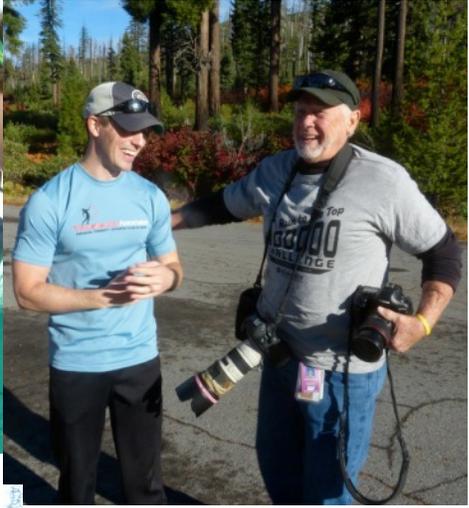
If you are willing to donate, bring a check to **Jack McGilvary** at one of our meetings or forward it to:

Sisters Kiwanis Club Foundation  
P.O. Box 1296, Sisters, OR 97759

(Note it is for the Buckaroo Breakfast Table upgrade.)

Source: David Hiller

# Hoodoo Challenge Race to the Top



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The Race ran along beautiful forest trails which were lined with local spectators.

Carrying the Kiwanis colors to the top, Congratulations to:

Chris Carvlin 9th



Rigo Ramirez 23rd



Mike Robillard 13th



# Other Bits & Pieces



## Time for a Change

After several years at the Editor's desk of Siskiwan, **Jeff Omodt** has decided to retire and pass the baton (quill pen) on to a new



editor. Fortunately for the club (and for **Jeff**), **Kathleen Blesius** has stepped forward to take the challenge. Since joining the club just a little over a year ago, **Kathleen** has jumped in with both feet into all of the club's projects. She and her husband **Michael** are the innkeepers of the new "hotel" on Oak Street, **The Bunkhouse**.

**Kathleen** will welcome help and assistance from all of us to be sure the Siskiwan continues to capture all of the energy and curious happenings around us. Imagine that, over 70 investigative reporter members with phone cameras. Good luck **Kathleen**! And, Thank You for your service!

Before you gets your hopes up, **Jeff** says he is not retiring from his camera in your face hobby. Sorry.

Photo Dave Huni

## Conventional Wisdom

Our delegation to this years Pacific Northwest Kiwanis Convention returned with boat load of award



patches to add to

the banners in the meeting room.

This years delegates **Linda Walker**, **Earl Schroeder** and **Doug Wills** attended the convention and took care of the business of PNW Kiwanis District. Our club awards this year, which are actually for 2014-15 under the Presidency of **Dave Cox** that we received:

- Outstanding Club - Lead with Service Award - **Dave Cox** and entire club
- Outstanding Secretary - **Jan Failing** (6 years in a row, wow)
- Outstanding Club Bulletin 3<sup>rd</sup> place **Jeff Omodt**
- S.O.S. Save Old Spectacles A Gift of Sight - **Earl Schroeder**
- Round Robin Award - (for completing 24 interclub meetings in one year) **Pat Woollard**

**Well done, a club to be proud of !**



Thursdays at Aspen Lakes Lodge - 7:00 Coffee

**Sisters Kiwanis  
We Celebrate Service!  
We invite you to join us for  
coffee! Thursdays at 7:00 AM  
Meetings start at 7:30 AM  
Aspen Lakes, Brand 33**

**Our Sisters Kiwanis  
Purpose and Mission:**

The 77 members of the Sisters club take pride in a very real impact on our local community. Our club runs the food bank and has a massive food share event during the Christmas holidays. It supports fellow Sisters residents when emergency needs arise. It offers scholarships to many graduating seniors, and awards grants to dozens of organizations that have significant impact on the well-being of children and families. The club also gives "opportunity grants" to many deserving adults in the community to help them better their position in life. Other service projects include: cleaning Sisters' highways, reading to children, improving our city's parks, sponsoring our scout troops, staffing Red Cross blood drives, collecting eye glasses and cell phones, arranging community presentations, maintaining an entrance sign to our city, teaching kids poison awareness and helping screen children for health problems. Discover more at:  
[www.SistersKiwanis.org](http://www.SistersKiwanis.org)

**Calendar of Upcoming  
Events**  
*SAVE THESE DATES*

**October 2016**

- 6, 13, 20, 27 - Meeting Aspen Lakes Lodge
- 2 - Installation of Officers and Presidents Service Awards Sisters Rodeo Grounds

Get the latest Calendar updates online at our website:

<http://sisterskiwanis.org/calendar/>



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Ask a Club Member  
to learn more about us



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