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SISTERS KIWANIS CLUB, SISTERS, OREGON

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JUST FOR FUN...

New Year's Resolution (and Regrets)

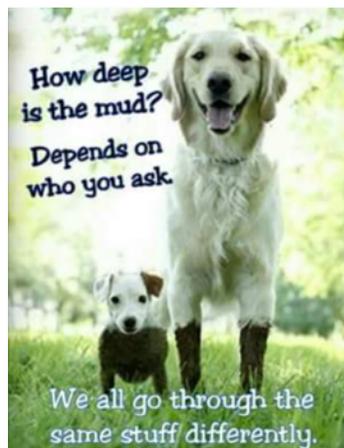
You hear this question a lot - what is your biggest regret. I feel lucky because I've never been able to answer that question. I honestly assumed I didn't have any regrets. That was until last week when I heard Nicolas and Ezra play the violin. Now I'm realizing that maybe I'm just not smart enough to know what I could have become. Ignorance IS bliss! I do think it's so cool that Nicolas and Ezra will grow up with their talent. I'm sure they have NO idea how many doors their skill will open. They'll always be able to make any event so much more special - the school social, the office party, the fundraiser, etc. etc. They will be able to contribute in such an obvious way. I could make learning how to play the violin my New Year's Resolution. However I'd be starting at 48 (not 4) ...As such, even if I practice 2-3 hours every day (yikes), I'd never be as good they are and I'd give up being the perfect balance of mediocrity and averageness that I have become! So, I've come to the realization that I'll never be really good at any one thing. Here's what I've decided though, I'm pretty happy with who I am (again ignorance is bliss). I like making it possible for those around me to be the best they can be. Making their world better makes my world better. It's selfish I suppose...but it's the way I feel. Maybe that's why I was a good secretary, then I became a pretty good innkeeper, and that's also probably why I joined Kiwanis. I'm very happy and content being part of the support group. If I've done my part, and the world around me is just a tiny bit better, then I have succeeded (and even though it's not completely obvious, I'm still part of the greater good)...and what's more - I get to reap the rewards by listening to Ezra and Nicolas! So what is my New Year's Resolution? To just keep doing a little more every day to make the world around me a better place.

~from the Editor

Thank You **May Fan** - for making each week special. Your dedication to finding us fantastic speakers keeps our club informed and engaged. The programs/speakers open our eyes, inspire us, entertain us, educate us...it's like a LIVE newspaper!



WOW! I wish I knew how to add sound to a newsletter.



Great Irish Philosophy from **Vern Renner**: "I don't like to think before I speak...I like to be just as surprised as everyone else."



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FROM THE PRESIDENT

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Letter from our President, Liam Hughes

3rd LETTER

LFL (Letter from Liam)



"I hope all of you enjoyed the holidays, I know I really did. Now as we all emerge from our food comas, hangovers, and ugly sweater withdrawals, it's time to focus ourselves once again on service for our community, and how Kiwanis can best facilitate that goal. As a club we are constantly faced with opportunities to change our course. One of those such opportunities will arrive in the next few months.

There is a committee working to investigate the relationship between our foundation and our club. I am not sure how many of you are aware, but Kiwanis itself is not a 501(c)3, therefore many Kiwanis clubs, including ours, form their own foundations to allow for more effective fundraising. A club member raised a concern that our foundation might be out of compliance with certain applicable rules. Therefore the board formed a committee to investigate all the applicable laws, and the general structure of other clubs and their respective foundations.

The committee also felt, this was a good opportunity to accomplish one of the goals set forth in our long range plan, which was to look at the direction of our foundation in general. Therefore, when the committee reaches out to other clubs to ask about their foundation structure, they will also ask about their overall philosophy. Do they focus heavily on raising funds that they can then disperse to good causes as we do, or do they focus on projects such as building parks or playgrounds?

Once the committee returns this information, the club will have to decide what the next steps for our organization will be, will we make a change or stay on the same course. I encourage anyone with an interest in the philosophical direction of the club, to take interest in this process, make your feelings known."

~ **President Liam Hughes**

Next Board Meeting:

Date: Wednesday, Jan. 31, 2017

Time: 4:30 pm

225 N. Oak St. in Sisters

(at the Kiwanis "K" House)

ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!

PROJECTS

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FUNDRAISING - VOLUNTEERING - COMMUNITY

See's Candies Fundraiser:

"This year was like a walk in the park compared to last year. Mother Nature complied, no technology issues (Square) and having our own trailer obviated any issues we might have had with All Seasons RV. The new trailer worked out better than expected...we could display and store all the candy (all 1,521 boxes). It heated up quickly and stayed that way, the banners stayed in place as they were affixed to the trailer on hooks (couldn't do that with "their" trailer) and Gary modified the old stairs to snug up to the doorway (I know this made Jack happy).



As of Friday, December 29, our revenue was \$25,809 less our cost (\$19,773) which leaves us with a gross profit of \$6,036. Back out one-time expenses of \$450 (title and tags, battery, wood for remodel) leaves us with a \$5,586 net profit. We still have \$436 worth of candy left (at 50% prices) less whatever we garner the last couple days of this month, and one meeting at which to raffle leftovers. So, all in all, it was a good selling season."

~The Candy Man (**Tom Kopec**)



InterClub Opportunities

Jan. 9 - Madras - meet at the K-House at 10:50am

Jan. 18 - Prineville - meet at the K-House at 11am

~ See **Patricia Woollard** for more info.

The NEW Sisters Kiwanis Vest

This is the new vest. Mine is the first. I LOVE it! I didn't expect it to be custom when I placed my order. I thought I'd just pick a standard size from a catalog and it wouldn't really fit. I'm used to that. Nothing ever really fits (i.e. never long enough). It was made especially for me though (3 inches longer) by Black Crater Clothing (here in Sisters), then I'm pretty sure that Momentum Promo (next door) did the embroidery. I will wear it to the next meeting so everyone can see.

~ If you want one (only \$17) see **Jan Failing**.



FOOD BANK

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“As many of you know, Ray's collected 660 bags of food for the Food Bank during their Christmas Food Drive. **Dave Marlow** is generously volunteering his time & flat bed trailer to pick up the food at Ray's. We have scheduled transfer of this food to arrive at the Food Bank on the following dates & times:

Wed., Jan 10 - 9:15 AM (220 bags)
 Sat., Jan 20 - 10:15 AM (220 bags)
 Sat., Jan 27 - 10:15 AM (220 bags)



Whoops

This will require 6 to 8 additional volunteers (at the Food Bank) on each day . It will involve unloading, weighing, and sorting approximately three (3) pallets of food each of the three (3) days.

If you are able to help, please email or call **Tom Hesse** to sign-up for this first of the year opportunity to volunteer. With the right amount of help, it should not take much time to complete the task each day.

The Food Bank greatly appreciates any help you can give.”

Happy New Year! ~**Tom Hesse** - hgang68@aol.com / 541-728-8988

“Food Drives at Middle School, High School and Aspen Lakes were completed Friday, Dec 22. Over 2200 lbs of Food was transported to the FB and sorted by an amazing group of volunteers. Special thanks to **David Hiller** for use of his utility trailer and to **Barb & Kerry Bott** for organizing the food reception process. **Dave Huni** not only volunteered but kept the air waves open with fresh updates on our progress. This incredible group of volunteers accomplished this in less than five (5) hrs.”

Food Bank November 2017	
Families	190
Adults	397
Children 0-18	167
Value	\$13,112.25
# of Volunteers / # of Hours	
Kiwanis	12/117.75
Community	10/59

THANK YOU

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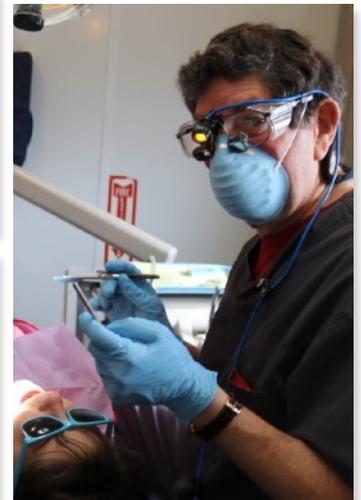
THE SISTERS COMMUNITY DENTAL CLINIC THANKS KIWANIS



Jan Failing



L to R: Debbie Stumbaugh, Darlene Miller, Hank, Ellen Brooks, Jan, Julie Mansfield



Dr. Hank Failing

“With what started as Celia Grayson’s (former Sisters Kiwanian) vision and a wonderful grant from The Roundhouse Foundation, we at Sisters Community Dental Clinic have reached a milestone. After nearly eight years, it is time to pass our torch (the drill?) to the next generation. Thank you to Sisters Kiwanis for your generous support both financially and allowing us to use the Kiwanis House as our home base. We have been able to change the dental culture of many Sisters residents from one of periodic emergency service and tooth extractions to prevention and restoration of teeth.

Our dedicated dental team of volunteers and Medical Team International employees are amazing and we could never provide the services and care without them. A huge thank you to Julie Mansfield, Darlene Miller, Linda Robinson, and most recently Ellen Brooks for their compassionate service. We also wish to acknowledge the dedication of Debbie Stumbaugh, who retired from MTI this last year. She made sure the van was there for us no matter what conditions Mother Nature threw our way. And of course, without Jan’s scheduling and organizational skills, none of this would have happened.

Theresa and Dawn from Sisters FAN were an integral part helping us, especially in the beginning, by screening and referring members of our community who qualified economically for our services.

In closing, the past eight years have been a great run for us and very different from our dental practice in Portland. We have received far more than we’ve given. Hank has loved having the opportunity to utilize his dental skills, especially to this underserved population. All Kiwanis members have experienced the good feelings of donating their time and efforts to the people of Sisters and we have also felt this strong connection to our community in providing such a valuable health service. We are lucky to live in such a generous and supportive community...a big part of which is being a member of our wonderful Kiwanis Club!

We wish each of you a healthy New Year!”

~ *Dr. Hank and Jan Failing*

MEMBERS

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CELEBRATE

December Birthdays

6 - Bruce Rognlien
14 - Tom Kopec
27 - Yoshi Furuya

January Birthdays

6 - Scott McKittrick
14 - Michael Robillard
19 - Bill Antilla
27 - Suzanne Carvlin
29 - Patricia Woollard



Kiwanis 2018 Rose Float
Racing to Serve Children

"K" Club December Anniversaries

7 - Gary Frazee
15 - Cindy Rainey
15 - Bill Rainey
15 - Karen Keady
16 - Jeff Omodt
28 - Ronald Mohler
29 - Daniel Stearns
30 - Liam Hughes

"K" Club January Anniversaries

4 - Tom Fish
5 - Mike Vermillion
6 - Roger Johnson
6 - Bob Walter
12 - Shirley Miller
25 - Taylor Robertson
28 - Lydia Kulus
30 - Liam Hughes



Suzanne (and Chris) Carvlin hang lights on the K-House for the Holidays!



Earl Schroeder marks 50 (FIFTY) years as a Kiwanian. At K-1 year end he'll be recognized with the Legion of Honor award for 50 years of Kiwanis membership and service. In the meantime, Congratulations Earl & Thank You for your service!

David Crowther
Lieutenant Governor of
Kiwanis Division 78
visits Sisters
12/14/17



JOIN US!

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Speaker's Calendar

- Dec 7 - President's Meeting
- Dec 14 - Sandy Affonso, Home to Share
- Dec 21 - SPRD Update
- Dec 28- Nicolas and Ezra Oncken, Violin Performance

December 2017						
MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

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- Jan 4 - President's Meeting
 - Jan 11 - Gary Albertson, photography
 - Jan 18 - Mary Tomjack, Heartwarmers
 - Jan 25 - Dr. Nancy Maloney, opioid epidemic

January 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			



Kiwaniis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time.

Our Sisters Kiwanis Purpose and Mission:

The 68 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.com

*Sisters Kiwanis
We Celebrate Service!*

*We invite you to join us - every Thursday morning.
Coffee @ 7:00am / Meeting @ 7:30am
Aspen Lakes, Brand33*





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