



Siskiwan

Kiwanis Club of Sisters

April 2016

It's Spring! A Season with Something for Everyone.

It's quilt season. The banner photo shows **Teri Woods**, this year's quilt artist, and her beautiful quilt called "A Walk in the Pines". Every year in July we turn the town into a festival of color. For just one day, July 13th this year, volunteers will hang nearly 1400 quilts on all the walls and fences in town.

Kiwanis volunteers help out everywhere. Hanging quilts, setting up and taking down this amazing show.



Jeanette Pilak the Executive Director of the Sisters Outdoor

Quilt show came to a recent meeting and gave us an update on some of the happenings for this year. One activity that is really a great partnership between the SOQS and Kiwanis is Kiwanians selling raffle tickets for a chance to win the amazing raffle quilt. In return for our efforts the quilt folks share the proceeds from the raffle with Kiwanis. For several years this fundraiser has run like clockwork under the able guidance of **Shauna Rocha**. This year, **Shauna** has passed the project to **Tom Hespe**, one of our newest members. **Tom** is already off and running with some new dates and promotions to sell even more tickets

Get your tickets now

Raffle ticket sales are off to a roaring start with a three day sale at the Stitchin' Post during Customer Appreciation Days.



Quilter **Joyce Boyd** joins **Bob Walter** at the raffle ticket table. In addition to the quilt raffle there is also a raffle for a touring bicycle customized by **Valori Wells**.

Pat Woollard dropped by the ticket sales event and looked like a perfect match for the new wheels. Looking good, **Pat**.



From the President



Happy Spring Sisters Kiwanis Club!

I am still on Cloud Nine over how nice and tidy our Kiwanis House and Shed are! There are going to be a LOT of exclamation points in this letter as a result!!! Thank you so much to everyone who has chipped in his or her time on our sprucing up project on the K House!



Check out the photos from our clean up day. I just wish that I grabbed a before pic! Just know that everything was packed high and to the door in the shed. We have the K House prepped and ready for removing the wall between the two rooms so we can have a larger, more flexible meeting space and club hang out area. Stay tuned for more this month!



Our Food Drives at our Sisters Schools were a great success! According to the Food Bank's reports, we collected: High School 1,645 lbs, Middle School 1,745 lbs., Elementary School 698 lbs., And Sisters Christian Academy 50 lbs for a total of 4,138 lbs. Which will also bring in \$4,138 in matching funds from a generous grant from the Roundhouse Foundation! Thank you so much to all of you who helped move food from the schools to the Food Bank and to the Food Bank team and their awesome sorting and stocking abilities!

Celebrate Sisters - Kiwanis One Day, was held on April 9th for our club. We helped the Sisters Elementary Garden Club prep an outdoor space for an outdoor garden. It won't be built in a day, but the first thing we need to do is START!

We are also full steam ahead on our upcoming fundraisers: Antiques & Bling on Memorial Day Weekend, the Buckaroo Breakfast June 12th and Quilt Show Raffle Ticket Sale. Dan Stearns and Roger Johnson are still in need of unique item donations, particularly furniture items. If you see an estate sale winding down, please suggest a possible donation to our club! I have had co-workers and clients donate items to our sale. The Boyettes called Dan Stearns after their estate sale, too. Every bit counts!

April will be another big planning month for our club. We have a few more regular club meetings reserved for our club's long-range planning and our Buckaroo Breakfast! Thank you for all that you have done so far! We are doing a great job strengthening our club's foundation and planning for the future!

President Suzanne

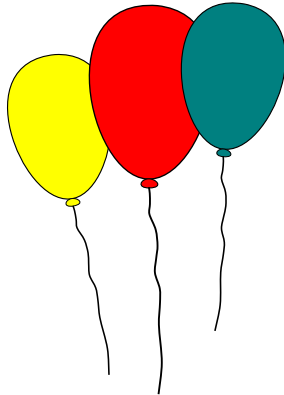
Members



MILESTONES for APRIL

Birthdays

3rd Bob Grooney
8th Doug Wills
11th Ron Mohler
15th Jan Failing
16th Cindy Rainey



6th Carl & Carol Ast Milchen 10 years
8th Earl & Carol Schroeder 55 years
11th Dave & Linda Cox 50 years
15th Dave & Sandy Marlow 44 years
17th Bob & Claudia Grooney 44 years

Club Anniversaries

1st Bill Spezza 2 years
1st Tom Worcester 25 years
11th Suzy Ramsey 14 years
20th Michael Robillard 16 years
23rd Berni Huggett 1 year

Wedding Anniversaries

1st Allen and Carmen Hull 24 years
4th Matt & Lauren Kirchoff 7 years

Welcome New Members

Suzy Ramsey and her membership crew are working overtime these days. We are pleased to welcome four new members who are bringing new talents and energy to our amazing club. Welcome Mark, Nick, Kathleen and Paul !

**Suzy Ramsey
Mark Mayry**



**Julia Dougan
Nick Stibolt**



**Paul Ryan
Kathleen Blesius**



Meetings



Program Speakers Schedule

April

- 7 - President's Meeting
- 14 - Curt Scholl - School Bond
- 21 - Steve Reinke - 911 Service
- 28 - Jeff Perin - Deschutes River

May

- 5 - President's Meeting
- 12 - Dave Cox - Long Range Plan
- 19 - Volunteers for Buckaroo Breakfast
- 26 - Key Club Awards Breakfast
(at Sisters High School)

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

latest information regarding the proposed school bond issue for the May ballot. He explained the details of what had changed from the failed bond proposal from three years ago and the thoughts and plans that go into the new plan.

911 Proposed Improvements in the Works



School Superintendent Updates on Proposed Bond



Curt Scholl the Sisters School District Superintendent brought us up to date on the

Steve Reinke, the manager of the Deschutes 911 Dispatch Center brought us up to date on a series of proposed changes that will significantly improve the quality of 9-1-1 service. Currently Deschutes 9-1-1 handles more than 290,000 calls for service annually, or 790 per day. **Steve** described several partnerships with State and other agencies that will significantly lower the capital requirements for the changes, A measure (9-107) will appear on the ballot in May which is aimed at consolidating funding sources and providing a sustained funding for ongoing 911 services.

Projects



Career Opportunity Fund Helps Make Some Wishes Come True



Linda Peck had a dream to make outdoor solar powered lights as art. She assembled her art with colored glass, solar light strings and welded steel. As she progressed refining her art she began to realize that welding was not the skill that she should try to master by herself. So she brought her story to the Kiwanis Career Opportunity Fund and received her grant of \$389 to fund a welding training and *safety* program, Now we can all look forward to some spectacular yard art like the piece at the right that will light up our world as much as the smile on the artist face.

FOOD BANK RESULTS

MARCH 2016 (4 week mo.)

Families Served-78

Adults- 228 Children- 64

Food boxes valued at \$10,758
weighing 11,717 pounds

9 Kiwanis volunteers
serving 118.5 hours.

14 Community volunteers
serving 99.5 hours.



Upcoming Events

Spring and summer events are on the way. We need your help to make them successful. Contact the leaders to join in all of them.

Quilt Raffle Ticket Sales

May 21-July 13

Contact **Tom Hespe**. Selling quilt and bike raffle tickets at the Stitchin' Post and other locations.



Antique and Bling Sale



May 28
Contact - **Dan Stearns and Roger Johnson**. Collect antiques, good stuff, and jewelry. Set up, and Sell it.

Rodeo Parade

June 11
Contact **President Suzanne**. March down Cascade Ave. to promote the Buckaroo Breakfast.



Buckaroo Breakfast

June 12

Contact **Roger Johnson**

Prepare and serve a full cowboy breakfast to over 1000 hungry buckaroos and buckarettes in just 5 hours.



Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show

July 9

Contact **Jeff Omodt, Linda Bafford**, or the Quilt Show Office. Assist in producing the largest one day Outdoor Quilt Show in the World!

Setting up, hanging over 1400 quilts, crowd

management, taking down and putting it away - all in ONE day.

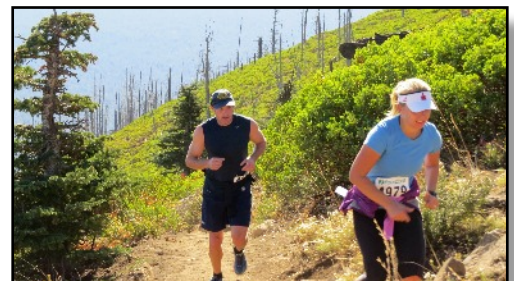


The Hoodoo Challenge - Race to the Top - Half Marathon

September 24

Contact **Suzy Ramsey**.

Help run the race, or RUN the race, whew!





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 78 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

Calendar of Upcoming
Events

SAVE THESE DATES

April 2016

7, 14, 21, 28 - Meeting Aspen Lakes Lodge

May 2016

5, 12, 19, 26 - Meeting Aspen Lakes Lodge

28 Antiques and Bling Sale at the Sisters Fire Hall

June 2016

2, 9, 16, 23, 30 - Meeting Aspen Lakes Lodge

11 - Rodeo Parade

12 - Buckaroo Breakfast

Get the latest Calendar updates online at our website:

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



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