

Kiwanis Club of Sisters

February 2014

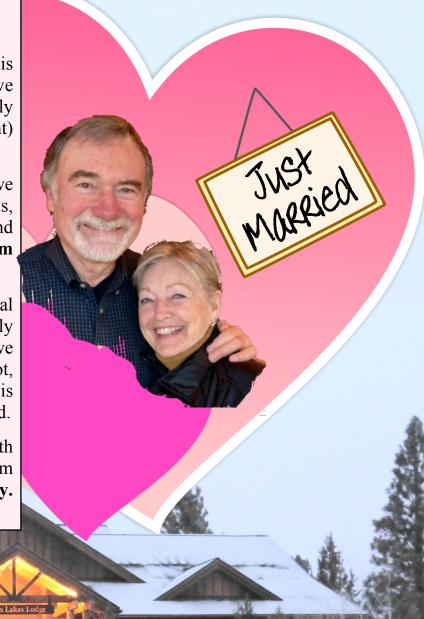
#### Happy February!

Well there is something for everyone this month. For our romantics we have Valentine's Day with our own resident newly weds **Jim Paul** and **Maggie Phelps** (right) and, of course, Key Club Kiss-O-Grams.

For our historians and patriots in February we celebrate Presidents' day which, for us, includes a letter from **President Chuck** and some presidential travel advice from **Jim Smith** (page 6).

We almost had our wonderful winter social to share soup and fellowship. Unfortunately we had SNOW. In fact, so much snow we could not get together for the Soup. Fear not, **Suzanne Carvlin** and the Soup team is already at work to get the event rescheduled.

And speaking of snow, our news of the month wouldn't be complete without a bit of wisdom from our resident philosopher, **Bob Grooney.** (See his snow advice on page 6)



# From the President



#### A letter from our President, Chuck Kuzminski

A big "Thank You" goes out to **Jeff Omodt** for volunteering to publish the Siskiwan. He has generously offered me some space to reflect on our club from the view of the Presidency.

I want to thank each and every one of you for the magnificent work you do for the club and the community. We have a vital and growing club that has a lot of talent to meet the needs of the community and especially the needs of children. The vast majority of you are involved in one or more of the club's programs.

The new Food Bank building is a big "plus" for the community and is able to serve more families than ever. Many of you have stepped up to participate in the various aspects of keeping the bank running.

We have picked up three new members recently - **Gretchen Dakin, Julia Dougan** and **Maggie Paul.** You have done a great job of making them welcome. The new Membership Chair, **Tom Worcester**, has taken over and is guiding the new members through the orientation process.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or suggestions. I can most easily be contacted at <a href="mailto:cnakuz@bendbroadband.com">cnakuz@bendbroadband.com</a> or my home phone at 541.549.6905

## President Chuck

# Members



#### **MILESTONES**

#### **Birthdays**

Earl Armbruster - February 2

Ardie Winters - February 4

Bob Woollard - February 5

Tom Worcester - February 12

Tom Fish - February 20



Mike and Tammy Robillard - February 5 20 years

Maggie Phelps and Jim Paul - February 24

#### Kiwanis Club Anniversaries

Susan Windell - February 23

# **New Members Awarded Permanent Badges**

Tom Worcester, who was recently elected to Membership Chair on the Board of Directors, has embraced his new role with enthusiasm (and most of the new members as well). Receiving permanent badges (and hugs): Gretchen Dakin, Julia Dougan, and Maggie Phelps. Congratulations and welcome.



#### WINTER FASHION UPDATE

Angela Linker and Linda Bafford compare notes on the finer points of fur boots while **Diane Daviscourt** reminds us that there is never a bad time to be a good sport, especially if your team wins.



# Meetings



## Program Speakers Schedule

#### **February**

- 6 Presidents Meeting
- 13 Rand Runco & Sally Benton -Ten Friends
- 20 Janet Storton Sisters of the Heart
- 27 Kelly Sheets Living with Dementia

#### March

- 6 Presidents Meeting
- 13 Versie Meyer Eliminate Project
- 20 Jeff Papke Ex Director Cascade East Area Health Education Ctr.
- 27 Ron Thorkildson -Sisters Astronomy Club -Stars over Sisters.

# Upcoming Interclub Meetings

#### Redmond

Wednesday, Feb 26, leave the K House at 11:15

#### **Bend**

Thursday, March 6, leave the K House at 11:15

#### **Prineville**

Thursday, March 27, Leave the K house at 10:45

Contact Pat Woollard for details.



Overdue for some good luck, **Jack McGilvary** draws the Joker for \$120 in the weekly drawing.

Your blood will be in good hands when Career Opportunity recipient Seylah Broderick completes her Phlebotomist training with our help.



# Projects



### **FOOD BANK**

Results for January 2014

Families-117 Adults-257 Children-105

Food boxes valuing \$18,551 Food Bank expenses \$5,894

11 Kiwanis volunteers serving 152 hours.

10 Community volunteers serving 71 hours.

#### **RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**

Kiwanis quarterly support of the Red Cross Blood Drive at the Fire Hall January 6. 5 Kiwanians worked 18 5 hours

Next Blood Drive: April 7, 2014

Bringing back the donors every time... treats by **Shirley Lalli** 



## SAVE THE DATES - UPCOMING EVENTS

We will need YOUR help!

#### **ANTIQUE SHOW AND SALE - May 24, 2014**

20 or more volunteers and lots of saleable antiques donated.

#### **GOLF TOURNAMENT- June 6-7, 2014**

50 or more volunteers, hole sponsors and raffle items.

#### **RODEO PARADE June 14, 2014**

20 or more KIWANIANS & KEY CLUBers

in uniform to march and promote PANCAKES.

#### **BUCKAROO BREAKFAST - June 15, 2014**

40 or more volunteers to flip pancakes, cook eggs and serve coffee.



# Odds & Ends



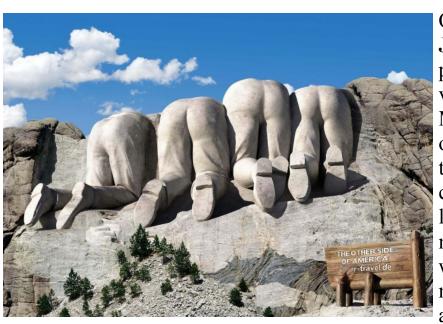
COPING WITH THE SNOW

While many of us have been overwhelmed by the recent snow storms, our personal philosopher, **Bob Grooney**, has some words of wisdom from personal

experience to share that might help us all. He said: "Because there was so much snow this time, I bought my wife a new snowblower. The only trouble I have had with it so far, is that I can't hear the TV when she is running it..."
...Thanks, Bob!



## REMEMBERING PRESIDENTS DAY



Our resident travel advisor, Jim Smith, brought in some photos of his recent trip to visit the stone Presidents on Mount Rushmore. Not being one to settle for the usual tourist postcard photo, Jim captured this view from the less visited side of the monument. While a few folks were shocked by the photo, most were amused, Proving, all is well that ends well.



# Sisters Kiwanis We Celebrate Service!

We invite you to join us for coffee! Thursdays at 7 AM Aspen Lakes, Brand 33

#### Our Sisters Kiwanis Purpose and Mission:

The 74 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, manning 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

You can find membership forms and info at: http://sisterskiwanis.org/Join\_Us.html

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