# Siskiwan

### Kiwanis Club of Sisters

July 2016

#### Summer is Here

As we complete the great Spring fundraising frenzy with the Rodeo Parade, Buckaroo Breakfast and Antiques and Bling Sale (which were all great successes again this year) it's time to color the town red... and blue... and green and just about every color of the rainbow. July is our month to blanket the town with



quilts. Over 1200 quilts are entered in a one day event, the Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show and Sale. Its the largest event of its kind and its now in its 41<sup>st</sup> year. Whoa. Kiwanians have volunteered for more than 30 years to help keep this world class event running.

Check out some of the many ways our folks are involved. Story and photos on pages 6 & 7.

#### Run for It

Last year, Suzy Ramsey created a new fundraising event for the club. Called Black Butte



Challenge Run to the Top, a 10K run ending on top of Black Butte. This year it's back and bigger and better. This time its a Half Marathon ending at the top of Hoodoo. That's right, 13.1 miles ending with a 1035 ft. elevation gain (**Suzy's** merciless). With room for 200 runners and walkers we will have a great event



and fundraiser, if we can round up enough participants. That's YOUR first job, tell everyone how much fun it will

be to run their @#%\$ off and get them to join us. Then start training. It's just like walking the dog, only a little farther. Save the date Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. See the details on page 5.

# From the President



Dear Sisters Kiwanis Club,

It's been a great summer so far!

The Antiques & Bling Sale was a great success! The Buckaroo Breakfast met its goal and the Quilt Show Raffle results should be in soon! The Quilt Show weather was a huge treat. Not too hot, a nice breeze, and no rain! Thank you to all of you who helped put up and take down all of the quilts and who were on standby just in case.

Next up is our Race to the Top of Hoodoo on September 24th! We have runners training and preparing and our race committee is hard at work to make this race a huge success. Let's reach out to our committee team, led by Suzy Ramsey, and see what we can do for them so they feel supported!

We will also have A Taste of Sisters in September (date TBD).

I hope you are all enjoying your summer and living it up!

Thank you to you all for all of your hard work to help serve our Sisters Community!

President Suzanne

# Members



# MILESTONES for JULY

### **Birthdays**

6th Jack McGilvary

13th Shauna Rocha

15th Berni Huggett

15th Vern Renner

18th Jeff Omodt

### **Wedding Anniversaries**

7th Doug & Sue Wills 54 years

20th Gary & Shirleen Cundiff 42 years

28th Tom & Lois Worcester 65 years WOW!

#### Club Anniversaries

1st Earl Schroeder 8 years

5th Doug Roberts 15 years

11th Jeanne Nolander 14 years

18th Roxanne Lenahan 3 years

28th Suzanne Carvlin 5 years

28th Chris Carvlin 5 years

#### Bob Woollard Gets a Bench



One of the great traditions of our club is to honor our members who have passed away with a Memorial Kiwanis Bench somewhere out and about in our community. There are currently over 30 benches

placed. Under the able leadership of **Tay Robertson** a new



one was placed last week at the Fir Street Park and Pavilion, where Bob loved to visit. **Pat Woollard** and many of **Bob's** friends and family were there to dedicate the new bench. Next time you're downtown, stop by the park and enjoy **Bob's** Bench. Photos: Tay Robertson

# Meetings



# Program Speakers Schedule July

- 7 President's Meeting
- 14 Brett Miller Warfighter Outfitters
- 21 Ken Ruettgers Games Over
- 28 Benny Benson/David Campbell Sisters Airport

#### **August**

- 4 President's Meeting
- 11 Dave Roberts Goodwill Industries
- 18 Deputy Fire Chief Intl. Fire Dept. Exchange
- 25 ASPIRE High School Mentoring

(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.)

### Warfighter Outfitters

**Brett Miller** visited the club to tell us the story of his nonprofit organization for Veterans called Warfighter Outfitters.



Warfighter Outfitters is a registered nonprofit guide and outfitter service for disabled veterans; we provide no charge fishing and hunting trips for wounded veterans in the Pacific Northwest and beyond. We have an all Veteran Board of directors and strive to be the most transparent charity out there.

Warfighter Outfitters was founded by Brett Miller, a wounded veteran himself. Brett spent 3 years in the hospital recovering from a roadside bomb while in Iraq in 2005. Since

then, Brett has seen a need for a "one of a kind" non profit guide and outfitter organization that is cultured around the specific needs for other wounded Veterans. After offering trips out of pocket for several years to Veterans he realized the benefits these trips provide to the Warriors and decided to get a corporation established that can offer more to our Veterans. These simple excursions and adventures are key to returning veterans with disabilities in many ways. It provides and close network of fellowship for veterans who meet during the trips and is a form of counseling in its own.

Any veteran with a disability rating is welcome to any of our trips with the idea in mind "If you can get here, we will get you on the water or in the woods." (Source: Warfighter website)



Photos: Jeff Omodt

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# Projects



#### **FOOD BANK RESULTS**

JUNE 2016 (4 week mo.) Families Served-96
Adults- 170 Children- 65
Food boxes valued at \$17,088 - weighing 11,390 pounds
12 Kiwanis volunteers serving 143 hours.
9 Community volunteers serving 97 hours.

### **RUN**

IT'S AN ELECTION YEAR ANYONE CAN RUN...

IF YOU CAN'T RUN, GET SOMEONE ELSE TO RUN...

IF YOU CANT GET SOMEONE ELSE TO RUN THEN WALK...

WHATEVER YOU
CHOOSE TO DO,
WE NEED YOUR
SUPPORT TO MAKE THIS
EVENT SUCCESSFUL!

MARK YOUR
CALENDARS
SEPTEMBER 24



#### Half Marathon Race with 1,035 ft. of climb

This year we are proud to offer a half marathon for runners and walkers that starts at the Corbett Parking area off Hwy 20 and ends at the top of Hoodoo. The course follows scenic trails with views of Island Lake, Link Lake, and Sand Camp Lake with a 1,035 foot climb. Runners will then walk back down the mountain for an apres-race party at the Hoodoo Lodge parking area.

#### SPONSORED BY:

Kiwanis Club of Sisters - Proceeds to community projects & scholarships
For further information contact race director Matt Kirchoff 541-647-7586

In partnership with the U.S. Forest Service,
McKenzie River Ranger District and Sisters Ranger District

# Quilt Show Kiwanians

"It's a huge job to do for a one day event. For some it's a year round effort for 7 hours of Quilt Splendor and it;s worth it." Quilt volunteer comment

#### TOM HESPE

Tom Hespe (still in his first year in the Club) stepped up to continue the great work in prior years of Shauna Rocha. Tom took the Quilt Raffle ticket sales event to outstanding results. He added the bicycle raffle to the mix and with the help of about 30 Kiwanis volunteers who staffed sales efforts from May through July. It looks like the best year ever. Jeannette Pilak, Executive Director of the quilt show, said Tom was amazing in his efforts. Our share of the raffle proceeds will be coming to us soon. Thank you Tom and all who pitched in.

#### **RIGO RAMERIZ**

**Rigo Ramerez** (another of our newest members) found a way to contribute to the greatest single fundraiser the SOQS does.

Called simply enough "Men Behind the Quilts Calendar", it features local Sisters gentlemen who agree (or are coerced) to become a calendar model modestly posing *perhaps un-*



clothed
behind a
spectacular
colorful
quilt. Then
the quilts
and the
autographed
calendars
are sold to
support the

ongoing operation of the Quilt Show. Prior year calendars have included other "brave" Kiwanians including **Tay Robertson**, Mr. May 2012 and **Jeff Omodt**, Mr. August, 2014. This year **Rigo**, or *Mr. November* 2016 as we

are now required to call him, got such a frenzy going at the calendar quilt auction, that his quilt sold for \$1,100 and he also managed to sell the shirt of his back, for a extra \$200. Way to go, **Rigo**.



# Quilt Show Kiwanians



#### WARREN SEAWARD AND FAMILY



Warren & Nancy Seaward and their daughters Chris Brophy and Linda Bafford continue to lead a large team of Kiwanian quilt hangers. Now responsible for more than 140 quilts they're early risers and early raisers on quilt morning. And then back at the end of the day, to retire them safely.



Check out those storm clouds, yikes

#### **JEFF OMODT**



Jeff Omodt was standing proudly (but quite alone) next to the quilt he created and entered in this years show. Called Cascadia Earthquake 9.0 it was inspired by a class with Jean Wells, this was Jeff's first attempt at a nontraditional modern quilt, (Jeff continues to press for gender equality in quilt making, oops), Jeff says he enjoys the inclusiveness and kindness of the quilting community. He is also serves as Treasurer on the Board of Directors for the Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show.

Photos -Jeff Omodt and Winnie St.John



# 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

#### **July 2016**

- 7, 14, 21, 28 Meeting Aspen Lakes Lodge
- 9 Quilt Show

#### August 2016

4, 11, 18, 25 - Meeting Aspen Lakes Lodge

#### September 2016

- 1, 8, 15, 23, 29 Meeting Aspen Lakes Lodge
- 24 Hoodoo Challenge Race

Get the latest Calendar updates online at our website:

http://sisterskiwanis.org/calendar/



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