

**SISTERS  
OREGON**

# Siskiwan

**Kiwanis Club of Sisters**

**August 2016**

## Fall is Approaching, Swiftly

Nothing brings more joy to a Kiwanis heart than a program that provides special opportunities to young people. As the banner picture shows,

**Liam Hughes** brought us a flock of SWIFTS, in the midst of their migration. It's a youth basketball program from England that was here to play and learn with their



coach **Steve Pearl**. Organized basketball sports teams are not as common in England and this team is very special indeed. They just won the under-16 girls' championship competition this year. Oh, and one other important connection: **Steve** was also **Liam's** basketball coach when **Liam** was 14 years old, and lived in Essex, in the UK.

## Year End is Near

With the Kiwanis year that runs from October to September, we are nearly at the



end of another spectacular year of service in our community. President **Suzanne** has led us masterfully and now she can pass the club leadership to a new team headed by incoming president **Doug Wills**. Some Board of Directors positions will change and it's a great time for all of us to sign up for those projects that are our personal passions. If you will be continuing, contact your Board and tell them to count on your again in the new year. If you want a new challenge, there will be many exciting opportunities to try something new (check with *almost-president-Doug* for a list).

We will be installing our new officers and recognizing this year's great performances at our Installation event which will be on October 2 at the Sisters Rodeo grounds (indoors). It's a lot of fun, plan to be there.

# From the President



Dear Sisters Kiwanis Club,

Summer is still with us and now is the time to soak up every ray of sunshine before we all start back up on our Vitamin D supplements! I hope you are enjoying the sun, the water and the fresh mountain air!

If you see people out on the trails, remind them about our run/walk Race to the Top of Hoodoo on Saturday, September 24th! The more runners we have, the more money we can raise for our club. Let's do all that we can to help our race committee pull off this large fundraiser!

Our Installation Party will be Sunday, October 2nd at the Rodeo Grounds (indoors). I am working out the time because I don't want to conflict with a big football game. So much happens in the fall, that it is hard to not conflict with something. (Though, maybe we could rig up a TV in the back room.) The annual installation party is a big event for our club, so I hope you can all come! We will be awarding our fellow members for their efforts this year and installing our new officers.

You have all received an email so you can help me choose the award recipients for this year. It's not a vote, per se, but I really value your input into my decision. I have a printed copy and I can bring printed ballots to the meeting so you can write in your choices if you are not comfortable with computers. Hopefully, clicking on the link will take you right to the voting and you can click on the buttons and proceed. If not, I will have my master copy with me and you can make your notes and I will enter your choices. Let's have some fun recognizing our fellow Kiwanians while we enjoy some food and beverages together on October 2nd! Invitations to follow via email with printed copies brought to the meeting!

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

*President Suzanne*



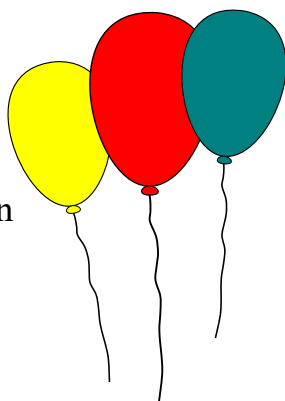
# Members



## MILESTONES for AUGUST

### Birthdays

- 1st Matt Kirchoff
- 3rd Gary Kutz
- 5th Sheryl McLaughlin
- 6th Warren Seaward
- 9th Dan Jordan
- 9th Carl Milchen
- 18th Earl Schroeder
- 25th Karen Keady



- 19th Connor & Emily Bates 4 years
- 24th Bob & Barbara Walter 59 years wow
- 27th Tom & Kate Kopec 22 years

### Club Anniversaries

- 1st Earl Armbruster 35 years
- 9th Lance Trowbridge 3 years
- 9th Matt Kirchoff 3 years
- 11th Yoshi Furuya 5 years
- 11th Dave Cox 5 years
- 26th Linda Walker 17 years
- 26th Scott McKittrick 7 years
- 27th Jack McGilvary 18 years
- 28th May Fan 25 years

### Wedding Anniversaries

- 5th Karen & John Keady 38 years
- 8th Bill & Joanne Anttila 35 years

## Rigo Ramirez Gets His Permanent Badge



Another of our newest members has graduated!. **Rigo Ramirez** has completed his checklist of required new member activities and Past President **Jeff Omodt** happily upgrades **Rigo's** new member badge to permanent. Like many of our new members this year **Rigo** has jumped in to several of our projects. He helped make this years Rodeo Parade a huge success, cooked pancakes at the Buckaroo Breakfast and no one will forget (or let him forget) his volunteer commitment to the Quilt Show as he became Mr. November 2017 in the "Men Behind the Quilts Calendar". Drop in to **Rigo's** store, Dixie's, and buy a copy of what will undoubtedly become a valuable collectors item. He might even autograph it for you. Welcome, again, **Rigo**, we're glad you are with us!

# Meetings



## Program Speakers Schedule

### August

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

### September

- 1 - President's Meeting
- 8 - Susan Springer - SMS Music
- 15 - Oregon National Guard Youth
- 22 - Benny Benson - Sisters Airport II
- 29 - Vocational Ed. - Ballot meas. 98

(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.)

new one. **Ken** told us that it can be especially difficult for professional athletes, because so much of their identity is wrapped up in their performance. When that ends he helps them to establish a new sense of who they are. **Jim Horsley** related that he has also worked with similar programs help military service people transition to civilian life.

## Sisters Airport Update

**Benny Benson** stopped by to tell us what's new at



## What's Next - Game Over

**Ken Ruetgers** came to tell us about an extraordinary transitional program that he runs that targets NFL

professional athletes when they reach the end of their playing days.

Adjusting to major life transitions from the sports world are similar to those faced by many of us when we complete a chapter of our life and start a



the airport and at his engineering firm, Energyneering. He told us about some of the new installations his firm has done all over the country. Rather than let methane gas escape from landfill sites and go into the atmosphere and cause pollution and climate change, his firm captures the gas and redirects into a large power generation unit (formerly running on diesel fuel). So his solution is a win/win: prevent the pollution and generate "free" electricity. There were so many questions, **Benny** has agreed to come back for a part two of his presentation next month. He declined to comment on the feasibility of capturing all the hot air generated in one of our club meeting and turning it into something useful. Guess we were still on our own for that one.

# Projects



## FOOD BANK RESULTS

JULY 2016 (4 week mo.) Families Served-91

Adults- 175 Children- 70

Food boxes valued at \$14,590 - weighing 9,727 pounds

14 Kiwanis volunteers serving 126.5 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**

BE THERE!



### 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.

**REGISTRATION:** Sign up online at [ultrasignup.com](http://ultrasignup.com)  
<http://tinyurl.com/HoodooChallenge>

Entrance fee \$70 (price increases to \$85 after August 18<sup>th</sup>)

Deadline for registration is Sept.18<sup>th</sup> (or when fully booked-200 limit)

7:00AM check in, Runners will be shuttled to the race start.

Apres-race party at Hoodoo Lodge Parking area.

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For further information contact race director Matt Kirchoff 541-647-7586

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# Call 9-1-1... or maybe not



## Get Prepared

We all think that we are aware of exactly what to do in case of an emergency. But for many of us, that doesn't extend far beyond calling 9-1-1. But then what happens? At a recent meeting, we were brought up to date on what actually happens after you call 911. As a dispatch supervisor our speaker was able to tell us about the complex series of events that surround each call. Here's some of the

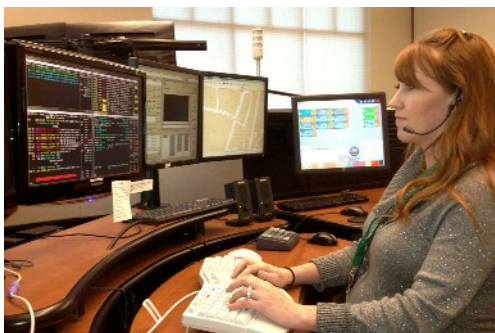


story: *The mission of Deschutes County 9-1-1 is to provide prompt assistance in a caring, resourceful and professional manner to those we serve. The center is an enhanced 9-1-1 facility which also provides standards based lifesaving public emergency care.*

*The Deschutes County 9-1-1*

*Service District became a consolidated public safety dispatching agency in 1988, taking all calls for police, fire, and medical service assistance in Deschutes County. The District dispatches for 15 police and fire/emergency medical services (EMS) agencies and works closely with the U.S. Forest Service, AirLink, Oregon State Police, and other State and Federal entities. Calls requiring a response are entered into a computer assisted dispatch (CAD) system and field units are dispatched to emergency and non-emergency incidents.*

*In 2015, dispatchers answered 288,969 incoming phone calls, of which 60,568 were on 9-1-1. That's an*



*average of 792 calls a day. Those incoming calls resulted in about 275,000 dispatched incidents; 90% for law enforcement; 10% for fire and EMS agencies. The District covers over 3,000 square miles with a population of about 175,000 people, including portions of Jefferson County within the Crooked River Ranch and Sisters/Camp Sherman Rural Fire Protection Districts. The area also receives around 3.2 million visitors each year who may need assistance.*

## You can help

### Load this number in your phone

To report **Non-Emergency** Incidents 24/7  
**(541) 693-6911**

### Sign up for DAS

The Deschutes Alert System (DAS) can be used to notify the public with important information during an emergency. Emergencies happen with little or no notice at any time of the day or night. With DAS, we can relay critical information to you about natural disasters or other emergencies that require your immediate attention. The service area for DAS includes Deschutes County, Crooked River Ranch, and Camp Sherman in the State of Oregon. Until recently, emergency personnel would use DAS to call land-line telephones but did not have the capability to include Wireless (cellular) or Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) telephone numbers. Now, owners of VoIP or cellular phone lines can receive the same emergency message as those with land-line phones receive, but **ONLY IF THEY REGISTER.**

### Sign up for PulsePoint

If you are CPR trained, you could save a life before the first responders get there. Get more information at [www.PulsePoint.org](http://www.PulsePoint.org).



# Good Fortunes



## “Lucky Bob W”

At a recent meeting **Bob Walter** brought a guest, **Pam Woodson** from his cribbage group who was interested in learning more and possibly joining us. To be sure she would be impressed **Bob** then proceeded to hold the winning raffle ticket for the day. Then, just to be sure **Pam** knew how much fun we always seem to have, he also won the pot for the Presidents Day special bingo. On the way home I suggested he should buy a lottery ticket. But he said “no, I almost never win anything.”



## “Lucky Jan” and “Lucky Pat”

Many of our club members have volunteer activities far beyond the club projects. Recently, **Pat Woollard** and **Jan Failing** we

helping out with the SunRiver Triathalon and 10K/5K races. They staffed a refreshment

station and were a welcome sight to the runners on a really hot and grueling run. And according to **Jan** they weren’t the only welcome sight at the races. Here’s a photo **Jan** snapped of a couple of winning triathletes from Australia wearing the national costume -



Speedos. *There’s a great “down under” joke in this some where, but we had best just not go there? Just make up your own.*

## “Lucky Bob G”



**Bob Grooney** reported that he has been volunteering with local law enforcement officials. On a recent case, he tells us, that there was a report of a large hole in the privacy fence of a local nudist camp. Citizen **Bob**, on the case, eagerly told the

officers that he would be happy to “look into it” for them. One of a kind, isn’t he?





**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***

**Calendar of Upcoming  
Events**

*SAVE THESE DATES*

**August 2016**

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

**September 2016**

1, 8, 15, 23, 29 Meeting Aspen Lakes Lodge  
16 - Taste of Sisters Food Bank benefit  
24 - Hoodoo Challenge Race

**October 2016**

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

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