



Hoof Beats

Kiwanis Club of the Horse Heaven Hills

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Remember, there is always more information about our club on our website at www.HorseHeavenKiwanis.org.

Not yet a member? Join us for lunch each Monday at noon on the 4th floor of Kennewick's **Clover Island Inn**. Our meetings are open and friendly. You're always welcome. Visit with our members and learn how you can become a part of our Kiwanis family and join with us in any of a variety of programs that help serve our area youth. [Full lunch \$10, Salad & beverage only \$6, Beverage only \$2 – no purchase required]

The August 11th meeting was called to order by President, Larry Hansmeier. Wayne Underwood provided our invocation and was the Wrangler.

Our guests were Bob Ellis from TCI, Glen Wheeler and Bob Delahunt from Kennewick, Leo Bowman from the former Atomic City club, now from Richland, and Shawn Cirignano.

Congratulations to raffle winner Dick Nordness.

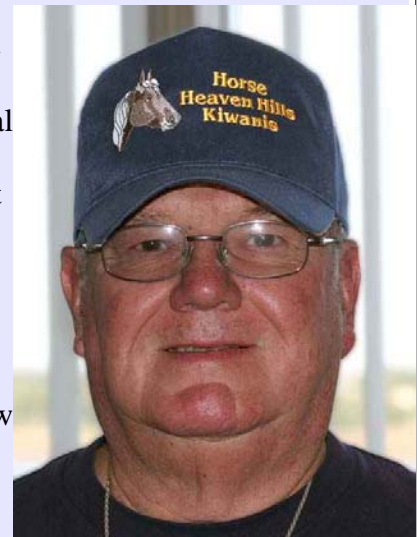
Birthdays, Anniversaries & Brags

Marilyn Hyde placed a donation with the Wrangler and asked that Jo be able to designate it's use to which ever club activity she felt needed it the most. Larry Hansmeier announced that a still solvent Jonna returned from her visit to Las Vegas. Bob Ellis quoted a joke from Tidbits that spoofed the "effectiveness" of Congress. Shawn Cirignano bragged about his tiny Electric bill. Don Barnes had missed a meeting and noted that his brother had a birthday and took their Mom to a San Francisco ball game. Leo Bowman is between clubs while his membership is being accepted at the Richland club. Robert Ramirez will be working a booth at the fair. Come to the fair to find out what he's up to now.

Announcements and Coming Events Signup Sheets Circulated

Horse Heaven Hills Hat Auction

Take a look at the great-looking custom **Horse Heaven Hills Kiwanis** baseball cap Wayne Underwood has commissioned. But he had just two made. He plans to keep one for himself, and announced special plans for the second one. Best of all, we will all be given the opportunity to own it.



Most of you know that the Projects account money goes to fund all those great youth and community activities, and we're starting this new fiscal year a little "dry". Wayne will auction his very special hat during our August 25th meeting. And if you can't be there you can still enter a bid, to be disclosed at the end of live bidding. Just send Wayne your final bid by email (wduwa@charter.net). But for even more fun, be at the meeting and take part in Wayne's live and lively bidding. All the money will go into our Projects account.

Committee Meetings

There will be a Board meeting Tuesday August 12th at noon at Clover Island. All members are welcome to attend. A Membership Committee meeting will follow today's regular meeting.

Interclubs

Sarah Longan discussed our planned Interclub to Milton-Freewater on August 21st. Four members are signed up, but there is room in the vehicle for two more. If interested, contact Wayne Underwood. The group will depart from the Tri-City Herald at 10:30.

J&S Express

The J&S Dreamland Express will be in the parade this Saturday with a collection of young people under the oversight of a few lucky Kiwanians.

New Weekend Hours for J&S

beginning August 16, we are shifting our schedule back 1 hour to be able to provide rides from **1pm to 6pm**
Marilyn's sign-up sheets for volunteers will reflect the new hours

Foundation Memorial

Larry Hansmeier circulated a donation opportunity, designated for our Foundation account, in memory of Jo Harrington's father, Keith Smith.

Salmon Bake

The Salmon Bake helps to mark the opening of the PNW District Convention Thursday, August 14th. Be there beginning at 6 pm for food, friends and fun.

2nd Harvest Golf

Larry Hansmeier noted that Kathye Kilgore and Jo Harrington are working at the golf tourney for 2nd Harvest.

Kiwanis Golf Tournament

Bob Delahunt reminded us of the Thursday Kiwanis golf tournament at Canyon Lakes. Spaces are still available at \$60 per player. He

had a signup sheet and urged anyone who might be interested to attend.

Coming Next Week

Judy Rector on *Haiti - a Country of Contrasts*.

Scott Keller The Port of Benton



Scott Keller

Scott Keller, assisted by Jan Jackson, provided an excellent overview of the Port of Benton which is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. He is also proud of his quality team-based Management style that relies on finding the best people for the job and keeping them.

The Port serves about 2/3 of the county that is not included in the Port of Kennewick. This includes the western county plus Richland and Hanford north of the Yakima River. They reach South to the Columbia. He stressed how much the Port is able to do with a relatively small budget. The Port earns most of its annual operating revenue.

Scott quoted statistics that characterize the Port's scale of operations:

- 2,103 acres
- Four economic development buildings
- Two barge facilities
- Two airports
- Short line rail
- Forty buildings
- 500,000 square feet of leased space
- Fast track building capabilities
- 135+ companies on site providing 1,750+ jobs

They utilize their assets to effectively promote local manufacturing, research and development, agribusiness, lease and purchase opportunities, and transportation. Some of the facilities he explained in more detail were the Manufacturing Mall that supports small business and includes an aluminum extrusion facility. It even has a small gravel mining operation. The Technology and Business Campus even includes Dr. Zirkle's SIGN medical manufacturing facility. The barge slips off-load decommissioned cores from nuclear warships which are stored at Hanford where they can be monitored under strategic arms

agreements. Willow Point Condos are a new development the Port has made possible. Scott is proud of the Richland Airport facility and its strong funding base from adjacent leased lands and buildings. New developments near Prosser offer opportunities to the wine industry and other related businesses. They have also patented a unique biomass gasification process to capture energy from agricultural waste. (Informally dubbed the Port's Putrid Purple Pumice Pelletizing Process.) The Crow Butte Park and Campground in the southwest corner of the county is being modernized by the Port as a regional recreation facility.



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