



# Hoof Beats

## Kiwanis Club of the Horse Heaven Hills

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President Joanna Harrington called the January 19 meeting to order. Carolyn Lawson gave our invocation. Doug Brown led our songs. Jim Hyde was Wrangler.

Our guests this week were Bob Ellis from TCI, as well as Red Rutherford and Glynn Wheeler from the Kennewick club.

The once-monthly collection was circulated for our K-Kids Schools Supply Program. A get well card was circulated for Andy Perdue. Wayne Underwood was this week's raffle winner.

### **Birthdays, Anniversaries & Brags**

Dick Nordness invited all to participate in a 2 for 1 gift certificate program they are running at the Spaghetti Establishment this Tuesday on KNDU-TV. Lorraine Cooper reported a very successful birthday party for Andy Perdue's daughter. Alex Burden recently celebrated both his and his wife's birthdays. John Lawson made note of his granddaughter's 16<sup>th</sup> birthday. Jo Harrington's granddaughter placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in a gymnastics contest. She is also kept busy by 2 grandchildren who are staying with her and Mike during a remodel project at their own home. Bob Ellis also noted his son's visit and having children aged 14, 8 and 6 sharing the house. Donna Underwood said that Andy had been able to attend the Board meeting last week and that he seemed in good spirit.

### **Announcements and Coming Events**

#### **Interclubs**

Sarah Longan asked for our continuing regular participation in meeting our Interclub schedule.

Our next Interclub will be held at Kennewick this coming Tuesday at noon.

Plan ahead and mark your calendars for next month's Interclubs. Our goal is to complete visits to the other 4 local clubs this spring. Richland and Tri-Cities Industry clubs are the only ones left.

#### **\*\*\* February Interclubs \*\*\***

**CAMP KIWANIS** Columbia Park—**Feb 11** (Wednesday) 6:00pm: This is the Division 54 meeting and the meal is complimentary to all attendees.

**Richland—Feb 18** (Wednesday) at Noon: Clarion Inn, North Richland

Five members attended January's Division 54 meeting Wednesday evening. We are meeting the challenge of visiting all the clubs in the district and 24 during the year. Thank you from the rest of us - Jim Hyde, Jo Harrington, Larry Hansmeier, Rick Kilgore, and Wayne Underwood.

#### **Committee Meetings**

Lorraine Cooper said that the Youth Services Committee will hold a meeting immediately after the regular club meeting. Dick Nordness asked for J&S members to coordinate for a moment after the regular club meeting to arrange for transporting the train for it's annual service.

#### **Kiwanis Zone Conference**

Jo Harrington announced that this year's Zone conference will be held April 18<sup>th</sup> in Pendleton.

### **Head Start Orientation**

Donna Underwood announced that the orientation meeting for those who have volunteered to work with Head Start kids has been scheduled for next Monday, Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> from 11-11:45 at the church facility (21 W Benton.); go to the backdoor.

### **Membership**

Jo Harrington noted that if we can achieve just six new members in the coming year we will meet the Kiwanis International challenge and gain a financial bonus for our club.

### **Spring Cleanup Yardsale**

*Think Spring!* Set some likely yard sale items aside. Our club will be holding another Yardsale fundraiser this Spring and we'll want your items donated then. We are again planning our sale in conjunction with the Herald's community yard sale being planned for April. This year, we will be collecting and sorting the goods during the weeks before the sale.

### **Our Program Next Week :**

**Dave Bond & Vic Roberts  
Kennewick School Bond**

### **This Week's Program:**

**Kathy Patton – Long-Term Health Care**



*Kathy Patton*

Kathy Patton brings many years of experience in the Health Care Industry as a basis for her Grapevine Consulting business focused on the long term health care needs of individuals. She was eager to convey her very real sense of concern for a coming financial and service crisis in long

term health care. There are many things we should be doing now as individuals to prepare for a time when we may each have to face a reality of needing expensive term care that is becoming increasingly unavailable and unaffordable. The most important task is to just have a plan.

Kathy presented key statistics to both raise our awareness and to underscore her conclusions. We should not, she stressed, count on just government programs such as Medicare and Medicaid to meet our future needs. Many programs are being cut and providers are backing away from providing quality care within State and Federal programs. She discussed the increasing disparity between private-pay prices of nursing homes or assisted living facilities and Medicaid reimbursement rates. Today, Medicaid reimbursement rates are lower than operating costs in many cases. The result is a crisis in the availability of long-term care for more and more people. Kathy urged all of us to advocate for more funding for Medicaid, particularly with our representatives.

There are important considerations for all of us. Kathy stressed the need to:

- Think about our long term care needs, now;
- Prepare a financial plan;
- Prepare a financial power of attorney;
- Prepare a medical power of attorney;
- Document our assets;
- Communicate our wishes with family;
- Communicate our plans with family;
- Re-evaluate our insurance needs.

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