



# Hoof Beats

## Kiwanis Club of the Horse Heaven Hills

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President Doug Brown opened the meeting. Wayne Underwood provided our invocation. The once monthly collection was circulated this week for our K-Kids Schools Supplies Program.

This week's guests were all members of the Kennewick club: Marge Price, Walteen Corson and Tom Moak.

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

Donna Underwood served as wrangler.

Wayne Underwood announced a short trip to Argentina that he has coming up. Alex Burden had a safe return from South Africa and had a wonderful time. John Lawson welcomed Alex back and for remembering to show up early to help at the sign-in table. Tom Moak celebrated his photo in the *Herald*, always good news so long as its not in an obituary. Andy Perdue's brother will celebrate a birthday.



Jo Harrington won this week's raffle and donated her winnings to our Foundation.

### **Announcements and Coming Events**

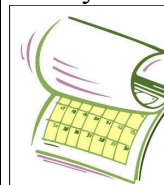
#### **Special Things We Did Last Week**

Andy Perdue reported that our club has sold about 100 tickets to the Vienna Boy's Choir concert Kiwanis fundraiser. There are still some tickets left to sell before next Thursday, February 25. If you have an opportunity to sell any tickets contact Andy to get some. Andy has to turn in money and unsold tickets on Thursday.

The Board of Directors approved participation in staffing **Cooper's Corner** in the mall. If anyone is interested in working to help monitor the room while it is open, please contact [Doug Brown](#) or [Lorraine Cooper](#). [Click here](#) to read a brief file about Cooper's Corner.

### **Save the Date(s)**

A lot of important dates are being identified for a variety of club activities during this coming year.

 **Friday, March 19 6pm**  
**Club Potluck and Auction** at Kennewick First Christian Church.  
**Saturday, April 10**  
**Kiwanis One Day** service project: care packages for the troops.

**Saturday, April 17**  
**Club Annual Yard Sale** at Sarah Longan's home on Kennewick Ave. Watch for more information.

**Saturday, April 17 and April 21**  
**J&S work party and safety training** at Columbia Park.  
**Friday, April 30 4:30pm**

J&S train at **Handicap Fishing Derby**  
**Saturday, May 1 10am**

Official first day of operations for the train, starting an early extra shift for the 1st day of the **Kids Fishing Derby**.  
**Saturday, May 1**

**Kiwanis Zone Conference** at Moses Lake. If you are interested in representing the club, contact Doug Brown. Costs are paid by the club.

**Wednesday, May 12 5:30pm**

**Division 54 at Camp Kiwanis** Our Club is host for the dinner and business meeting. We plan to have the J&S there at 5:30.

**June 24 through 27**

**2010 Kiwanis International Convention** at Las Vegas. Jo Harrington will be our club delegate.

**August 26 through 29**

**2010 Kiwanis PNW Convention** at Spokane. This overlaps with our club's participation in staffing the information booth at the fairgrounds. We might not have a member delegate to send to Spokane.

**Saturday, November 6**

**Kickin' It Up for Kids** dinner dance at Clover Island.

Don Barnes and Carolyn Lawson are collecting names of persons to be contacted as potential new Kiwanis members in conjunction with a special District “Roundup” Membership meeting. Those identified will be contacted by letter and invited to a special meeting to acquaint them with what local Kiwanis clubs have to offer. Please help by giving names and contact information for any persons you are aware of who have expressed interest in Kiwanis to either [Don](#) or [Carolyn](#) during this next week.



### **Meetings**

The J&S committee will meet following this week's regular club meeting. Next week the Youth Services committee will meet following the regular club meeting.

### **Next Week's Program:**

**Jared McCormick  
Mission to Honduras**

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

**Alan Schreiber  
Community Supported Agriculture**



*Alan Schreiber and son Drew*

Our guest, Alan Schreiber brought along Drew, one of his sons, as evidence to reinforce the name of his *Schreiber and Sons Farm* agricultural business in Eltopia. His personal enthusiasm for local agriculture was evident in his presentation.

Alan focused his talk on farming and agriculture. Agriculture is big here in our region, both in terms of diversity and extent. We learned a good deal about how important agriculture is to the economy and got some appreciation for the kinds of crops that were commercially viable in our area. We have the 9<sup>th</sup> largest agricultural economy in the US. There are more than 200 commercial crops grown here.

Our region of Washington is special because of latitude, climate and important micro-climates, culture and other factors. Washington has the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest blueberry crop in the US and ranks 3<sup>rd</sup> in the world. Alan noted that when you talk about rankings in world statistics, China is pretty much number one in everything. In the US, 90% of processed red raspberries are from Washington. We have the highest yield of potatoes per acre. The Tri-Cities are noted for early harvest potatoes.

Other important Washington crops Alan discussed were cherries, seed crops (such as onion seeds), flowers (such as Mt Vernon's daffodils). 75% of US hops (25% of the world) are from the Pacific Northwest, they are a key crop in Benton and Yakima counties. Washington produces more apples than all other states combined.

Alan's speciality is agricultural research and consulting. He grows more than 400 distinct crops on his farm. He noted how the Community Supported Agriculture program (CSA) had evolved and now sold subscriptions to fresh produce harvests during the growing season as well as free produce for local needy families.

For information on the CSA program and how to subscribe, visit the [schreiberandsons.com](http://schreiberandsons.com) website. Many of their crops can also be purchased locally at the Pasco and Richland Farmers Markets.

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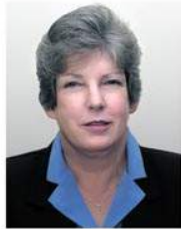


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