



Hoof Beats

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

President Doug Brown opened the meeting. The invocation was given by Sarah Longan.

This week's guests were Dave Dirksen from Kennewick, and Richard Lathim from Pasco.

Our once monthly collection was circulated for our K-Kids Schools School Supplies.

Birthdays, Anniversaries & Brags

Mark Blotz was our wrangler.

Doug Brown noted that today's agenda seemed to be evolving. He welcomed Cliff to the club and reported that his wife had soundly defeated him on several different games on a Wii console at Sarah Longan's home. Mark Blotz said that on his trip back from Las Vegas the flight attendant came on the intercom to ask if there was a doctor on the flight. Fortunately, it all turned out okay.

Dick wore his Kiwanis hat to a chili feed with his horseback riding club at Horn Rapids. He had hoped it would spark some conversations about Kiwanis. Lauren Hedeem was thankful that he was not chosen as our song leader today. John Lawson reported that Carolyn Lawson was missing today's meeting because she had been called in to serve as a juror today.



Dick Nordness won the raffle this week. He donated his prize to the KHHH Foundation.

Announcements and Coming Events

New Club Member

Doug Brown and Andy Perdue introduced and installed our most recent member, Cliff Brown. Cliff has been attending our meetings for the past few weeks and was a guest speaker earlier this year. He is glad to finally be settling down in the Tri-Cities after a career that took him in and out of many cities around the world.



Cliff Brown

Special Things We Did Last Week

Doug Brown reported that our club is now the first service club to have joined the Tri-Cities Visitor and Convention Bureau. We hope to leverage this into gaining information about and communicating with new arrivals to the region (who are potential new club members). We are already listed on their [website](#).

The Membership Committee will begin sponsoring lunches for new members, effective immediately. If you have a new member to invite to lunch just fill out a form with your guest's name, your name and the date. We have the forms available at the sign-in table at the back of the room. It is our

intent that the Membership Committee purchase just one lunch for each potential new member. There is no authorization required. Just fill out the form. Any member can make the request. Remember though, that this is Membership money and it's not intended to buy lunch for your visiting uncle from Omaha.



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Equinox Eve Potluck and Auction

What tasty dish are you bringing? Whatever you decide on will be welcome. This Friday, March 19 at 6 pm should already be on your calendar. Guests are welcome.



Our annual club potluck and auction will again be at Kennewick First Christian Church (19th and Olympia). We expect some great auction items. Larry Hansmeier has agreed to be our auctioneer again this year. Contact [Dick Nordness](#) for info.

Annual Club Yard Sale



Sarah Longan reminded us of this coming event and will provide details later. Start saving books, CDs, DVDs, vinyl records, and any other household goods in good condition.

New Board of Directors Member

Gene Spaulding has been elected to serve the

remainder of Terry Loney's position on our Board of Directors.

Committee Meetings

The J&S Committee met following the regular meeting. The Youth Services Committee will meet following the regular meeting on March 29.

More Dates to Save

Check the [end of the newsletter](#) for some other important dates coming up.

Kiwaniis One Day

Our Community Services Committee is sponsoring our Kiwanis One Day project on Saturday, April 10 at 1pm. The project will focus on school kids' "thank you" cards for our troops in Afghanistan.

Get Well Wishes

Bernie Borgen has missed some of our recent meetings and is anticipating possible back surgery.

Park Middle School Career Day

Doug Brown, Lorrain Cooper and John Lawson will be delivering talks on how to get a job. Career Day is April 23.

Next Week's Program:

**Mayor Pro Tem, Sharon Brown
Directions for Kennewick**

This Week's Program:
David Granada – Virtual Kennewick



David Granada

Coincidentally, this week's speaker and his topic also appeared in a [featured article](#) in this morning's *Tri-City Herald*. Dave is leading a team who are developing a web-based Geographic Information System (GIS) that is designed to give Kennewick residents and businesses the ability to access and

view the complex sets of mapping based data that the city maintains.

Virtual Kennewick is a City of Kennewick computer application residing on the city's website. It's goal is to give you the freedom to access large amounts of city data in a visual, map-based way. Dave demonstrated how utilities and zoning lines can be seen for any part of Kennewick. Property can be located by address, by parcel, or by location on a map. Many details can be called up. He zoomed in on Columbia Park as an illustration of the range of data available.

Photo data in Virtual Kennewick is based on flight recorded images rather than satellite photos. The current images are from 2007. A new set of images have just been made and the system will be updated to show images from 2010. The resolution is very high (each dot in the photo will represent a 4" square).

They are also in the process of making the data available in other formats that can be integrated with Google Maps, Bing Maps and specialized GIS software products. Dave showed an example of accessing the same data through Google Earth.

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Save the Date(s)



Friday, March 19 6pm

Club Potluck and Auction at Kennewick First Christian Church (19th and Olympia) for members and guests. Choose your own potluck item.

Saturday, April 10

Kiwanis One Day service project: school kids “thank you” cards for the troops. Meet at Kennewick First Christian Church (19th and Olympia).

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 Edison St. building at Columbia Park.

Friday, April 23 8:30am to 12:10pm

Park Middle School Career Day

Friday, April 30 4:30pm

J&S train at Handicap Fishing Derby at Columbia Park.

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.

Monday, May 31

Memorial Day, no weekly meeting.

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.

Monday, September 6

Labor Day, no weekly meeting.

Saturday, November 6

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