



Hoof Beats

Kiwanis Club of the Horse Heaven Hills

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President Doug Brown opened the meeting. Carolyn Lawson delivered the invocation.

Our guest this week were Olja Djuranovich from the Clover Island Inn and the Kennewick club. Hank Sauer was also on hand from Kennewick. Our remaining guests were from the Pasco club: Wayne Taber, Bob Greenwell, Richard Lathim, Darroll Clark, Pete Felsced, and Melanie Johnston.

Birthdays, Anniversaries & Brags

Donna Underwood was wrangler this week.

Wayne Underwood says he has used the J&S as a carrot for his neighbor who will be working with Wayne as a conductor when Wayne is engineer. Maybe a potential volunteer, maybe a potential member? Carolyn Lawson was pleased with all the ideas people are pursuing for new membership. *Keep it up, folks!*

Bernie Borgen has his 80th birthday to brag about. But right now, he is glad to be getting back into his regular routine. He appreciated the get well card from the club. Andy Perdue thanked Sarah Longan for all her hard work on the yard sale. He was also glad to be back from his scheduled CT Scan to assure he remains cancer free. Doug Brown echoed Andy's thanks to Sarah. He also called note to Sir Francis Drake's defeat of the Spanish Armada in 1587. Dick Nordness reminded us of the J&S training planned for Saturday at 10am.

Larry Hansmeier said he will be "jailed" April 29, in the Muscular Distrophy Association's annual fund raiser. He circulated a pledge sheet to help earn his "bail". And, no, it doesn't work to pay a

little extra to keep him incarcerated. John Lawson thanked Jo Harrington for loaning the J&S a wheelchair to use during this Saturday's training session. If you want some practice with the rear car's handicap lift *come on down!*



Jo Harrington won the raffle this week. She donated her prize to our Foundation.

Announcements and Coming Events

Special Things We Did Last Week

Last Saturday was busier than usual. We held our club's Annual Yard Sale, carried out a J&S train maintenance project, and sponsored one of the Arbor Day tree plantings at Grange Park next to the Kennewick Library.

Don't Miss Next Week's Meeting!

We are meeting at **Camp Kiwanis** in Columbia Park (West of Edison on Columbia Park Trail). Lunch will be provided at our usual prices. Be sure to mark next Monday, April 26 in your calendar. Remember, Camp Kiwanis, *not Clover Island*. We'll be back at our regular location the following week.



The meeting will be about the J&S train and we will also conduct our annual club elections.

Nominations – Vote April 26 at Camp Kiwanis

Doug Brown reminded us again that our April 26 meeting will be held at Camp Kiwanis (lunch will be self-catered by club members and meals will be

at the usual prices). In addition to our program on the J&S, we will vote for FY10-11 officers.

Nominees were announced for club officers.

Andy Perdue – Club President
Dick Nordness – President Elect
Lorraine Cooper – Vice President
John Lawson – Treasurer
Mark Blotz – Board of Directors

Since there were no other nominations, next week's vote will be by acclamation.

Arbor Day

Larry Hansmeier reported on the tree plantings that took place Saturday. Our Community Services committee donated \$100 for one of the trees planted between the playground and the garden area at Grange Park.

Yard Sale is Over

Sarah Longan thanked all those who helped with the yard sale. There were 14 members and friends who stepped up to lend a hand, a total of 43 volunteer hours. The club earned \$268. John Lawson, Jo Harrington, Wayne and Donna Underwood, Jerry Whitlock, and Megan Thompson helped on the day of the sale.

Committee Meetings

There was a J&S meeting following the regular meeting to finalize training plans, review new documents and discuss upcoming events.

Next week, Youth Services is scheduled to meet after the regular club meeting.

Interclubs

Wayne Underwood re-announced a planned interclub with the Pasco club, Thursday April 22 at noon, at the Pasco Red Lion. The presentation will talk about the Haiti earthquake disaster response. We plan to also have an interclub at Richland this Wednesday when the Key Clubs will run the meeting.

Auctions

We auctioned some deck treatment supplies remaining from the yard sale (to Doug Brown). After our speaker Todd Newhouse was done, we

then auctioned 2 bottles of premium ice wine from his winery (to Marilyn Hyde and Jonna Hansmeier) and a Thompson Seedless rooted cutting from the oldest grape vine in Eastern Washington (to Donna Underwood).

J&S Training Day – Saturday at 10 am

Dick Nordness reminded the J&S team members about the J&S training event this Saturday at 10 am at the Edison St. building. Topics will include some new procedures, as well as reviewing refueling, loading a wheelchair on the rear car, and routine daily checks that need to be made. Any interested members are welcome.

PEAK Awards

Jo Harrington asked for a few members to accompany her to the PEAK recognition event in Pasco. Several members volunteered to attend.

Benton Franklin Fair & Rodeo

Doug Brown said that we have been invited to bid on the Information Booth / Souvenir Booth as well as several other options.

Southridge Key Club

Doug Brown reported that Southridge High School has expressed substantial interest in working with us as a sponsor to establish a new Key Club.

New J&S Sponsor

The *Tri-City Herald* has offered us 40 column inches (in color) in the Kids Zone section to advertise the J&S. This equates to about 5 ads. The *Herald* will join our other in-kind sponsors: Paul Parish. Pasco Tire and Signs Now.

Club History

Sarah Longan reminds us all to pass on any letters, notices or other items for our Club History files.

More Dates to Save

Don't forget to check the [end of the newsletter](#) for some other important dates coming up.

Next Week's Program: (at Camp Kiwanis)

**Dick Nordness & Alex Burden
J&S Dreamland Express
Annual Club Elections**

This Week's Program:
Todd Newhouse – Upland Vineyards



Todd Newhouse

Our speaker, Todd Newhouse, came to introduce us to the history of Snipes Mountain and its role in Washington wine making history. He blends that history with the story of his Upland Vineyards.

Snipes Mountain is located South of I-82 just past Sunnyside. It's named for Ben Snipes an 1850's

settler. William Bridgeman moved to the area in 1902 and by 1914 planted the first grapes. A few years later he added wine grapes. Following the end of Prohibition he established Upland Winery and began working with WSU professor Walter Clore, the “father of Washington wine”. Upland was sold in 1960 and became the Santa Rosa Winery. In 1972 it was purchased by the Newhouse family, a Yakima Valley farming family, and became Upland Vineyards. In 1982 Al Newhouse took over operations. By 1977 Todd had begun working the farm full time. Todd launches Upland Estates.

By 2009, Snipes Mountain became Washington's 10th appellation and Upland Estates receives Best In Show for its 2007 Malbec. They now sell multiple varieties and operate a small winery and tasting room to accompany their substantial production.

We enjoyed his story of the oldest grape vine in Washington, a Thompson Seedless, and the Muscat Alexandria vines that date back to Cleopatra's time. This is the oldest variety still in existence.

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Save the Date(s)



Saturday, April 24, 10am

J&S raining at Edison St. building in Columbia Park.

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

Park Middle School Career Day

Monday, April 26 noon

Our Annual Organizational Meeting and a special J&S themed KHHH Club meeting at Camp Kiwanis in Columbia Park. Election of new Officers.

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.