



# Hoof Beats

## Kiwanis Club of the Horse Heaven Hills

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President Doug Brown opened the meeting.  
Jonna Hansmeier gave our invocation.

This week we were joined by visitor Chris Sivula,  
a guest of Andy Perdue.

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

Wayne Underwood was wrangler this week.

Andy Perdue's wife is celebrating her birthday. Jo Harrington had a wonderful Mother's Day this year with her granddaughters. One of the granddaughters will be graduating next month. She also said that Robinson Elementary principal, George Mendoza will be moving to a different school next year. Don Barnes sister has just retired. Donna Underwood said that this weekend's Community Concert was great. Dick Nordness said that his granddaughter had learned to name the books of the New Testament in reverse order. His grandson settled for memorizing the Old Testament books in the normal sequence.

John Lawson said that he was disappointed with the J&S proceeds this weekend as no one had brought any money in today. Sarah Longan confessed to having forgotten to bring the proceeds to Monday's meeting. She bragged about the Mother's Day calls from her grandchildren. Sarah also boasted of a new job training opportunity through AARP to work with a local non-profit. Carolyn Lawson's grandson took part in a Crop Walk event in Olympia. Doug Brown wished all the ladies a "Happy Mother's Day."



Larry Hansmeier won this week's raffle and donated the proceeds to our Foundation.

### **Announcements and Coming Events**

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

We started the weekend with two new volunteers on the J&S. Retired railroad workers Carl Brown and Jerry Lukins took over as driver and conductor respectively for the 1<sup>st</sup> shift. That was all accompanied by some unwanted excitement when one of the big tires on the engine blew out with a loud bang right after loading for the first run. Still, the day went well and Carl and Jerry will be a great help.

#### **Committee Meetings**

The Board of Directors will meet Thursday at 11:45 at Clover Island. The Community Services Committee met following the regular meeting to discuss participation at the fair, and other possible events including a tour of old Kennewick homes and possible participation or donation to in a program for gifted elementary students. These will be considered further in Thursday's board meeting.

#### **May Division Council**

We will host the Division 54 Council meeting on Wednesday, May 12 at Camp Kiwanis. It would be great if we could have a strong turnout. We will start serving dinner and offering J&S rides at 5:30 pm and the business meeting begins at 6:30.

#### **Interclubs**

Wayne announced that we are currently in good standing with our objectives for interclubs.

#### **Robinson Elementary K-Kids Garden**

Jo Harrington would like as many Kiwanians as possible to be able to attend the planting of the

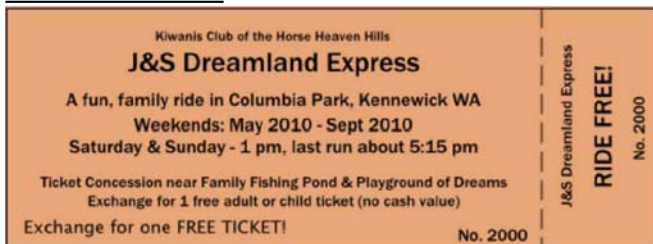
new K-Kids garden at Robinson Elementary. The event is planned for Friday, May 28. Plan to be there by 3:15 pm.

This will also likely be our last chance to visit with principal George Mendoza who will be accepting a new position at an Oregon school next year.

### **A Big New KHHH Sign**

Andy Perdue produced a *very large* “Kiwaniis Club of the Horse Heaven Hills” display banner printed on vinyl canvas fabric. He had gotten it for free from 7-Up who had included their own logo to the left of our club. There were several ideas on how we could best utilize the new banner to promote the club. Dick Nordness will try to find a way to put it on the J&S for this Wednesday's Division Council meeting.

### **J&S Ticket Sets**



J&S promotional tickets can still be purchased at club meetings, bundles of 10 for \$5. Proceeds go to our Admin fund.

### **Membership**

Carolyn Lawson said she always has a few copies of membership materials for anyone who is interested. She made sure Chris Sivula had a copy.

### **J&S volunteers**

Marilyn Hyde circulated the signup sheet for the remaining J&S jobs this coming weekend.

#### **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:**

**Mike Somerville – Pasco Farmers Market**

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

**Ferdouse Oneza  
City Planning and Citizen Involvement**



*Ferdouse Oneza*

Ferdouse Oneza (she prefers to go by just her last name, Oneza) has had a long career in community planning, including time recently spent as a planner for the City of Kennewick.

It is not always easy to communicate the complexities of planning issues to the public. Within the discipline there is a real tendency to fall back on a lexicon of acronyms that can thwart effective communication with most of us. But communication is necessary to achieve citizen involvement with the issues. Politics and other factors can also shade or mask necessary communication.

The real focus of Oneza's talk was what planners do and how they try to meld community participation and policy makers decisions. All of this has to be restated in both technical and physical terms, taking into account engineering issues, finances, judicial issues and politically baed policies.


Another point she made was how we citizens might become more involved and thus more in control of the planning process. She offered some encouragement towards our direct participation.

When asked for her solution to the “carousel problem,” Oneza said she did not have a specific

recommendation, but explained that carousels in other cities are successful when they are part of a larger planned environment that has a suitable theme. She said the selection of a carousel site in isolation from other development plans did not make sense. Oneza was asked her views about the land use at Vista Field. She said that converting

Vista Field at this time to available commercial real estate would probably imbalance the local market, especially considering the emphasis on Southridge and the available land in that area. However, in the long run, she expects market forces to drive a conversion of Vista Field to commercial use.

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



**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.

**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.