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NEWSLETTER

## SALEM KIWANIS KLIPPINGS

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Morris Pike aka Captain Book



Bookmobile volunteer driver Joe Egli and Krina Lee



The other Captain in full costume

Our program today was about the bookmobile donated to the Salem-Keizer Education Foundation. Our featured speaker, **Morris Pike**, a retired university professor who doubled as "*Captain Book*", conceived the idea of treasure chests and free books as a literacy project during his 2000/2001 term as president of Kiwanis of Greater Encinitas. It was not long after, that Pike, who holds a doctorate in theater, created the Good Pirate Captain Book.

He surveyed the community and concluded that literacy was not only a good cause, but something the club could do to help children in the community, The club visited some 70 Head Starts, libraries and public school classrooms, per year delivering free books to different schools each month for teachers to put in their classroom libraries and the Club selected a teacher of the month to receive a \$100 gift certificate for books.

Now that he is retired, his club donated the bookmobile to Salem Kiwanis and the Salem Club donated the bookmobile to SKEF.

Morris Pike

chests filled with books

building treasure

We also heard from **Krina Lee**, Executive Director of SKEF, and **Joe Egli** who drove the bookmobile from California to Salem.

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Captain Book shows us his spyglass





Jeff Kresner, left, and Frank Pucci from the Walnut City Kiwanis Club visit us with collectible vintage toy trucks & planes that the club sells as a fundraiser.

August 22 - NO MEETING **PEACH OF THE CENTURY - AUGUST 27** 

**NEXT MEETING AUGUST 29 - NOON** Program: Committee Reports **B**azillian Books in the newly "wraped" bookmobile with Salem-Keizer Education Foundation graphics produced by Fast Signs & In House Graphics. Photos by **Wayne Frey**.

