

# Kiwanis Korner

#### OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON

.....Serving the children of the world .....

103 YEARS OF SERVICE TO KIDS AND THE COMMUNITY

August 3, 2024

#### PRESIDENT'S KORNER by Shawn Myers

Dear Club Members,

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At the recent Kiwanis International (KI) convention in Denver, the members in attendance approved a dues increase for KI of \$25 annually from each member.

Last week at our own Club Board meeting, the Board approved an increase of \$30 per member that includes KI's \$25 increase.

According to our Bylaws, the Board must give 14 days' notice to the membership for any proposed dues increase and call for a vote at the next in-person meeting which is August 12th. Approval by 2/3 of those present must be obtained.

The Board proposes to raise Club dues from \$170 to \$200 per member and \$175 for a secondary member from the same household for the 2024/2025 Fiscal Year. I will be presenting this proposal and asking for a vote to approve at the next inperson meeting on Aug 12th.

The Club admin fund will benefit by \$37 per member. \$163 of the \$200 will be paid to KI who then distributes a portion to our PNW district. This \$37 will help to cover admin costs such as guest lunches, our storage unit, Zoom subscription, Secretary/ Treasurer stipend, web site maintenance, membership growth and education, admin supplies, our IRS tax filing and our P O Box.

If any member finds this to be a hardship, the Club secretary will help obtain sponsorship resources to help cover any member who needs help.

#### Your membership dues are due by Sept 30th.

If you have questions, please direct them to me or any other Board member.

Thank you, Shawn Myers, Club President

What we think determines what happens to us. So, if we want to change our lives, we need to stretch our minds. ....Anonymous



#### CLUB INFORMATION $\sim$

**Board of Directors Meetings:** 

Monthly during the 4th Wednesday of the month at noon via Zoom. Next meeting:

August 28.

Treasurer: Nicole Muegge MAILING ADDRESS:

Secretary: Charles Pailthorp PO BOX 1847 Olympia 98507-1847

Immediate Past President: Jonathan Lindsay

Board Members: through 2026—Derek Harris, Steve Hall, Mackenzie McCall

Through 2024—Curt Steigers and Sarah Beth Hernandez Huot

Through 2025 Kathy "KT" Thompson, Derek Valley email: info@olympiakiwanis.og

DIVISION 37 LT. Governor Vacant

Officers:

President: Shawn Myers

President Elect: Matt Grant Vice President: Karen Fraser

#### **LUNCH MEETINGS:**

2nd and 4th Monday at 12 noon at TUGBOAT ANNIES VIEWPOINT ROOM—2100 West Bay Drive NW, Olympia

#### DON'T MISS THESE

August 5—NO MEETING

August 12—LOTT

August 19—NO MEETING

**August 26**— **INFLATION** by James Rosenkoetter, Deputy State Treasurer

September 2—NO MEETING

**September 9**—Ballot Initiatives, by Dave

Peeler

September 16—NO MEETING

**September 23**—Food Insecurity, by Derek Valley

**September 30**—Interfaith Works, by Bob Lien

All Programs are tentative.'

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing and improving the world one child and one community at a time.

Kiwanis defining statement, adopted October, 2004

I was regretting the past and fearing the future.

My name is I AM. I waited.

God continued,

When you live in the past, with its mistakes and regrets, it is hard. I am not there. My name is not "I was".

When you live in the future, with its problems and fears, it is hard. I am not there.

My name is not "I will be."

When you live in this moment, it is not hard. I am here. My name is I AM.

.....Helen Mellicost, St. Benedict's Monastery, Snomass, Colorado

#### **SOME AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

August 9—Peter Leaf

August 16—Bill Moore

August 17- James Wirth

August 20—Sarah Beth Hernandez Huot



#### KCO BOARD NOTES by Charles Palithorp June 27, 2024

Position:	Person:	Present	
President:	Shawn Myers	X	
President Elect:	Matt Grant	X	
Vice President:	Karen Fraser	X	
Secretary:	Charles Pailthorp	X	
Treasurer:	Nicole Muegge		
Immediate Past President:	Jonathan Lindsay	X	
Board Member:	Curt Steigers	X	
Board Member:	Sarah Beth Huot	X	
Board Member:	Kathy Thompson	X	
Board Member:	Derek Valley	XX	
Board Member:	Derek Harris	X	
Board Member:	Steve Hall		
Board Member:	Mackenzie McCall	X	

Absent, Nicole Muegge, Treasurer, Steve Hall. No proxies or guests.

- 1. Approval of the club Agenda for June 2024: Moved and seconded by Sarah and Shawn for approval, which was given without dissent.
- Approval of the minutes for the Club Board meeting of May 2024: Moved and seconded by Curt and Karen for approval, which was given without dissent.
- Review and Approval of Club Financial Reports as of May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024: Shawn. Moved and seconded by Jonathan and Curt for approval, which was given without dissent
- 4. Secretary's report: Charles. With addition of Ricky Grewal, KCO membership is now 103.
- I have submitted monthly reports for FY 23-24, through April, as required by KI. There has been no response. These reports involve judgement calls about the number of hours of service, how many members and non-members gave service and what Foundation expenses have been incurred for a given month. For expenses I have used the monthly financial statements we review. For service details, I have relied on member reports and what I regard as reasonable estimates using reports from program leads and others.
- I have submitted our Annual Report to the WA SOS office for the Foundation. This has been acknowledged as received. The Annual Report for the Club will be due at the end of November.
- 5. Officer installation event: Shawn. Dan Seachord and one other, have agreed to take the lead in creating this event. It's been a fundraiser in earlier years, so we should reinstate it. With Shawn, we have three organizers. Kathy T will also help out. This will be in September, so planning should be taken care of soon. Curt also will help, and he has the silent auction materials that will be needed. Shawn has some auction items that were not used last year, when the event was cancelled. There was further discussion of possible auction donations and where the event might be held. All this should raise money for the club, which is needed.
- 6. Open floor:
- Spaghetti Bowl: Matt. Rotary has taken the lead, so we could join in. Derek V suggested that we put our efforts into the Installation dinner rather than this, which was agreed by all.

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#### KIWANIS OBJECTIVES

To give primacy to the human and spiritual, rather than the material values of life.

To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships.

To promote the adoption and application of higher social, business and professional standards.

To develop by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive and serviceable citizenship.

To provide, through the club, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service and to build a better community.

To cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism and good will.

#### It's that time again for Annual Dues!

It's that time again to renew your membership in Kiwanis for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

Dues of \$200 per year need to be paid by September 30th, 2024. If there are two or more member from one family, the second member cost is \$175. You can pay three

- Pay by credit card on the club website
- Pay by credit card at the sign in desk at a club meeting
- Mail a check to the club treasurer at:

Kiwanis Club of Olympia P O BOX 1847 Olympia WA 98507-1847

Keep your service and fellowship current!

#### Volunteer Opportunities with the Kiwanis Club of North Thurston/Lacey

August 13—Thurston County Food Bank Arrive 11:45 am to work from 12 noon to 3 pm

August 28—Summertime Fun! Picnic and Games in the park at 5:30 pm at Woodland Creek Park

With the first taste, I promise to practice loving kindness.

With the second, I promise to relieve the suffering of others.

With the third, I promise to see each

others' joy as my own.

With the fourth, I promise to learn the way of nonattachment and equanimity.

## **OLYMPIA KIWANIS FOUNDATION BOARD MINUTES June 26, 2024**

Board Attendance, proxies, and guests: same as for the Club meeting.

- 1. Call to Order: Shawn -- Foundation meeting at noon. Approval of the Foundation Agenda for June 2024: After a motion and second by Derek V and Jonathan, this was given without dissent
- 2. Approval of the minutes for the Foundation Board meeting of May 2024: Moved and seconded by Curt and Kathy T for approval, which was given without dissent
- 3. Review and Approval of Foundation Financial Reports as of May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024: Nicole. Moved and seconded by Curt and Kathy Tfor approval, which was given without dissent. There was a brief discussion of our compliance with the LJ Foundation requirements.
- 4. Kiwanis Int. Youth Protections Policies and Training: Charles. All clubs are required to provide mandatory training on an annual basis. This can be done with an in-person training event, using either a power point presentation or a video provided by KI. A virtual presentation is also allowed. The 30'minute video can be downloaded and circulated to membership.

How can we best ensure that all members who work with young people will participate in this training? We could circulate the video, but how could we ensure that members would take the time to view it?

Shawn: we should identify who works with youth, then ask them to ensure that they have watched the video. This record could be tracked on our website. Shawn will initiate this process via email. Jonathan: we could include this in our orientation, as well as explaining the KI process for background checks.

Foundation Sustainability: Shawn

- 5. Finance committee (Dennis Pulsipher and Shawn) has put together a history, which shows that our financial practices are not sustainable. This will be addressed by the Board on Aug 2<sup>nd</sup>, in light of requests from various committee chairs. Shawn will circulate the relevant materials prior to this meeting.
- 6. Scholarship resources (not including LJ Foundation scholarships): Shawn Based on the balance in March, we have \$12,400 that is spendable next year. So our awards will have be \$1240, a reduction from the \$1500 awarded his year, if we want to continue awarding ten scholarships.
- 6. Open floor: no items

Next Meeting: Immediately following Club Board meeting July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Adjournment: Moved by Derek V and seconded by Kathy T

## **KCO BOARD NOTES by Charles Palithorp June 27, 2024** (Continued from page 2)

- LJ Pancake breakfast on July 20th: We're doing quite well with ticket sales and volunteer servers. Karen suggested we buy tickets and give them to friends. Curt also noted that this would be a good way to promote club membership. What we raise by this event will be for the Foundation.
- NTKC and Circle K: ShawnDerek V and Shawn met with NTCK officers and found that there remain no obstacles in taking on this satellite relationship. It is not clear that this will be NTKC's choice. The Circle K program at St. Martin's has been a good program, one worth supporting. Such a program at Evergreen has not seemed to be something that was a good fit with Evergreen.
- Recognition of long time KCO members: Jan Britt via email has called out attention to those who have been KCO members for 40 years or more. She asks that we have an event that recognizes these individuals. Jan provided a list, which Charles will check against our KI records. This will be circulated to the board. At our next meeting we discuss how such an event might be done.

Next Meeting: 12 pm, July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Shawn adjourned the club meeting at 12:30 pm.

#### Kiwanis Club of Olympia now sponsors Saint Martin's University Circle K Club for college Youth!

end of August.



The Saint Martin's Circle K
Club was started in the
1970's as one of the first in the region. Club
members participate in different service
projects from helping Habitat for Humanity
to cleaning used books during COVID for
South Sound Reading Foundation. Club
events and membership for new students
will begin in the new academic year at the

With the closing of the Kiwanis Club of North Thurston, Olympia Kiwanis has accepted sponsorship of this active "sponsored youth" club. Our own member, **Sharon Schnebly**, has accepted the position of "club advisor" to the Saint Martin's Circle K. Sharon is also the secretary on the board of directors for the *Kiwanis Youth Law Enforcement Camp*.

#### KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL LAUNCHES THE POSSIBILITY PROJECT

Every day, children face hunger. Students struggle to read. Potential leaders lack mentors. Even with our best efforts, the need continues to grow.

Now is the time for Kiwanians to come together to turn what is possible into reality — creating brighter futures for 10 million children around the globe.

We proudly present <u>The Possibility Project</u>, a transformative initiative by our Kiwanis Children's Fund. Together we will raise US\$25 million over the next five years to impact 10 million children globally. This is the first fundraising campaign dedicated exclusively to empowering Kiwanis clubs to dream bigger and to support more kids.



### Olympia Kiwanis Foundation Scholarship

**Robert W. (Bob) McKay** 1910-2007

Bob McKay was a 60 year member of Kiwanis and a leader of youth programs. He organized the Millersylvania Youth Camp and taught horticulture to many people.

Bob McKay was born in Portland, Oregon in 1910 and grew up in Puyallup, Washington. Bob graduated from Stadium High School in Tacoma in 1929 where he was a star end and pass receiver on the football team. His wife Beth Buchanan was a special education teacher in Olympia. They had five daughters.



Bob graduated from WSU in 1933 with a BS in Agriculture, after studying agricultural economics and poultry science. Worked for the Farmer's Home Administration from 1934 until 1947 in Pierce, Kitsap, Cowlitz, Wahkiakum, and Lewis Counties.

Bob retired after nearly 27 years as chairman of the Thurston County Cooperative Extension Service on June 28, 1974. During his long career, he assisted in organizing marketing cooperatives for land clearing equipment, breeding associations, and farm forestry groups. He also assisted in organizing the Millersylvania Youth Camp, the Thurston County Cattlemen, a horticultural association, and others.

He was past president of the Washington State County Agents Association and was winner of the National County Agents Association's Outstanding Service award. He also produced 5000 Christmas tree a year on his farm on Black Creek, southwest of Olympia as a member of the Northwest Christmas Tree Association and was active in Christmas tree research. Besides being an ardent handball player, golfer, and fisherman, Bob was a mountain climber with many major peaks to his credit. Bob died at home in Olympia, Washington at 98 years of age, on December 14, 2007.



#### POLICIES OF THE OLYMPIA KIWANIS CLUB

October 2019

AP05. SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP **TYPES** This club has the following special types of memberships with the stated criteria and benefits for each. AP05.01 Senior Membership: • Any active member of Olympia Kiwanis Club who shall have been an active member in good standing of one or more Kiwanis clubs for a number of years, not less than ten (10), and who is unable to meet attendance requirements because of health, business, or other extenuating circumstances, may be elected a senior member by the Board of Directors upon making written application. • A senior member must meet the standards of attendance and participation set forth by the club Board of Directors. • A senior member must pay annual membership dues. • A senior member is entitled to all privileges of the club. • The Board of Directors shall review the list of senior members not less than once each year and shall have authority to terminate any such members' senior membership, or to reinstate any such members as active members.

AP05.02 Honorary Membership: • Any person who has performed some distinguished public service may be elected an honorary member of Olympia Kiwanis Club for a period of one (1) year and thereafter may be reelected annually. • An honorary member shall pay neither membership fee nor annual membership dues, and shall be entitled to all privileges of the club except those of voting and holding office. Note: Honorary members are not counted by Kiwanis International as club members.

**AP06: BOARD EXPECTATIONS and RESPONSIBILITIES** • Determine policies, adopt annual Service Budget and Administrative Budget and manage the activities of the Club. • Serve three full years as a Board Director. Attend and participate in monthly Board meetings. • Attend orientation training. • Read all reports and minutes. • Ensure the organization collects, reports, and disburses funds in accordance with Federal (IRS) and State laws and regulations, Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and the Club's Bylaws. • Serve on at least one Club committee. • Make an annual financial contribution (donation) to the Club. • Actively participate in Club service and fundraising activities.

OLYMPIA KIWANIS CLUB COMMITTEES	Chairpersons and some members
Membership Growth and Education	Anna Knudson and Dan Myers
House Reception and Club Meetings	Curt Steigers
Human and Spiritual Values	Sam Reed
Circle K	Sharon Schnebly
Community Service	Jonathan Lindsay
Law Enforcement Youth Camp	Sharon Schnebly
Youth Services and Grants	Jane Field
Interclub Relations	Jonathan Lindsay
Programs	Sam Reed and Dave Peeler
Fundraising / Caring for Kids	Terry Bergeson, Mary Gould
Fire Wood for Needy	John Tobin
Garden	Don Leaf, Derek Valley
Newsletter	Jan Britt
Sponsored Youth and Key Clubs	Joellen Wilhelm
Communication and Social Media	Open
Club History	Sam Reed
Website:	Jonathan Lindsey
Nominating Committee	Mark Johnson and Sam Reed
Risk Management	Bob Lien

O Thou who clothes the lilies, Who feeds the birds of the sky, Who leads the lambs to pasture, And the deer to the waterside, Who multiplies loaves and fishes, And changed the water to wine, Do Thou come to our table as giver And as our guest, to dine.

....Anonymous



#### Olympia Kiwanis Food Bank Garden Schedule

This last month, we planned our annual garden budget, did a lot of weeding at all

three sites, turned over a couple fields for fall plantings/ to rest. We also saw some of our first red tomatoes, tomatillo husks, and baby pumpkin fruits come on!

Giant Snaps to **John Zuroske**, one of our long-term garden volunteers and committee members. They have been hard at work taking care of the beans and were integral in loading out a long overdue dump run!

Tell a friend, especially if they have any community service requirements through school or court referral, we would love to have them in the garden!

Now is the time to harvest our bean crop! We are at the Westside Garden every Saturday at 0900!

Thanks! James Wirth



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JULY SUNDAY 28	MONDAY 29—12 Noon brown bag meeting at Squaxin Park— Shelter #4	TUESDAY\ 30	WEDNESDAY 31	THURSDAY AUGUST 1	FRIDAY 2	SATURDAY 3—0900 West Garden and
4	5 NO MEETING	6	7	8	9	10- 0900 West Side Garden and Wood Cutting
11 Kiwanis Youth Law Enforcement Camp begins—2 pm, WSP Shelton	12-12 Noon Tugboat Annie's KYLEC	13 -KYLEC	14-KYLEC	15-KYLEC	16-KYLEC	17—0900 West Side Garden and Wood Cutting 0800-1000am KYLEC 10 AM Graduation at WSP Shelton
18	19—NO MEETING	20	21	22	23—5 PM Club Potluck at Karen Fraser's residence	24—900 West Side Garden and Wood Cutting
25	26—12 Noon Tugboat Annie's	27	28	29	30	31—0900 West Side Garden And Wood Cutting

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**MEMBERSHIP**: (from Kiwanis International)

Kiwanis' vision and march toward growth is bigger than the organization and its future. It's about identifying and influencing how the next generation of leaders will connect to and serve the world.

Kiwanis is committed to becoming flexible and member-responsive. For today's busy men, women, and children. Time is a precious commodity. Kiwanis understands this and, as such, encourages each Kiwanis Club to determine its priorities based on the issues most important to it's members and the community.

