



Kirkland Kiwanis Keyhole

2023-2024 BOARD:

2023-2024 Officers

President - Todd Pemble
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2024-2026 Directors

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Ralph Villavicencio
Dave Asher

Date: January 08th , 2025

Scribe – Kathleen Brace



President Todd called the meeting to order at 12:05 pm.

Hal led us in the *Pledge of Allegiance* followed by singing *God Bless America*.

Inspiration: Bob Pease forgot his inspiration so told a few jokes instead. Here's the ones I remember:

- If you need a can opener, just buy one. Don't get your wife one for Xmas.
- In the forest, the animals don't leave trash... but humans do...behave like an animal.
- Entering the cemetery, the GPS said "You've reached your final destination" 😊



Thank you to **Suzie** as our Greeter, **Kathleen** for being today's Scribe, **Jim** overseeing Zoom, **Mark** selling raffle tickets, **Irene** doing Happy \$\$, and the 24 members for joining us today.

Guests: Brian Granowitz, potential new member

Announcements/Comments: Next Board meeting is 1/14; New Bethlehem Day Center's next birthday party is tomorrow, 1/9; Next Community Supper is 1/23; Need a pin – see Tom; Need a roster? Email Tom; Need nomination for Vice President – search committee is Hal and Don Corning; Please volunteer to be a Scribe for a meeting.

Secretary: Thank you to the 30 members and all the Key Club members who volunteered over 1,000 hours to raise approximately \$25,000.

Membership: We are **ALL** on the membership committee!

Treasurer: No report

Fundraising: The last Wednesday of January will be dedicated to the 7 Hill fundraiser.

Marketing: Redoing website – taking off the Christmas Tree Lot and putting on Egg Hunt; Irene and a few others are meeting next Wednesday with Sean from Cascade Stride to learn more about using social media to promote Kiwanis and our events. Also Irene met with the City of Kirkland and showed them K Games and asked how they can help us.

Community Service/Events:

- Seawolves Rugby Team meet and greet on 1/16 from 6-8pm at Moss Bay Hall;
- Annual Kirkland Chamber of Commerce Awards on 1/23 at Woodmark Hotel from 11am-2pm (\$75 cost);
- Lunar New Year Celebrations at Kirkland Urban on 1/25 from 4-6pm;
- Rainbow Ramble on 1/17 at Urban Plaza 6-9pm; Cooking with Chef Patti on 1/13 5-8pm - WC Fields: *I cook with wine and sometimes I add it to the food* 😊;
- Bridle Trails Winter Running Festival 1/11 at 3pm. Register with Seattle Running Club;
- NE 85th Street and I-405 closed Fri 11pm – Mon 5am.

Service Clubs:

- ICS: Met 1/7 with Habiba, Ralph, Milt and Paul and 26 students. We thanked the members for helping at the tree lot. Paul pushed DCON. A Kiwanis emblem was presented to Paul for all he has done with ICS Key Club.
- Juanita: meeting 1/9
- LWHS: meeting 1/13
- Builders Club: no report

Happy Dollars (collected by Irene):

- Suzanne: tree lot is over
- Matt: Met with Aktion Club in December and they are thriving
- Ron: glad to be here and not at the hospital
- Walter: \$1 for no pin; and having Brian checking us out
- Hal: Two weeks in Prescott and no snow 😊 and his t-shirt, "Worlds Okayest Pickleball Player"
- Kim: \$1 Bonnie needing surgery and \$1 sad for the California fires
- Lisa: \$1 the weather
- Steve: phone rang during the meeting.
- Kathleen: \$10 birthday and sad \$1 California fires
- Todd: \$1 missing Kathleen's birthday and \$1 for family member's house burned in Cal.
- Marsha: \$1 fires
- Matt: another \$1 for President Carter memorial
- Don J: \$1 brother in Kansa City met President Carter
- Suzanne: \$1 talked to neighbor about our club
- Milt: \$1 for no pin
- Brian: \$2 fires and glad to be here
- Irene: Popp's granddaughter has volunteered to help her
- Hal: \$5 - I worked with Habitat for Humanity and my DIL met President Carter personally
- Jim: \$1 appreciate all who helped at the tree lot along with the Key Club members
- Tom: Want to honor President Carter and his work after leaving office

Birthdays: Arne Ness 12/26 and Kathleen Brace 12/29 – the members sang Happy Birthday to Kathleen and we wish Arne a Happy Birthday too!

Today's Speaker: No speaker today.

The members talked about how to get our name, **Kiwanis**, out into the public more. When Todd tells people he is in Kiwanis, it isn't until he says it's like Rotary that they understand. Does Rotary advertise more? We have a park and signs at Everest ball parks, but both are isolated and somewhat unknown. Todd's investigating bicycle stands with our logo on them to be placed at various spots around the community. Someone brought up a Kiwanis car sticker and Tom said he could get some. What about business cards? Todd showed the cards he made. Lisa read what she found online and it did represent what Kiwanis stands for. Think about how we can spread our name and the good that we do as Kiwanis members.

Marble Draw (Mark sold the raffle tickets): John Hurney's number was drawn 😊 and he won!

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Brace

