



KIWANIS CLUB OF RAINIER VALLEY, SEATTLE NEWSLETTER

Organized April 2, 2004

Meetings: Friday Morning, 7:30 – 8:30 AM, at **Ch. Seattle Council Headquarters**, 3120 Rainier Ave. South, \$5.00

Friday, June 16, 2006

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

Officers: President: Joseph Connor (c) 206-387-1918; First Vice President: Shirley Cooper; President Elect/Second Vice President: Fordie Ross; Secretary /Treasurer Michael Morrison 206-902-2339; Immediate Past President: Nancy Bratton, (w) 206-722-2200

Next Meeting: Fund Raising, June 23– 7:30 AM – Ch. Seattle Council Headquarters – 3120 Rainier Ave. S.

World Vision & Aids in Sub Saharan Africa: Dr. Tobin Wilson father of three daughters and 5



month employee of World Vision enlightened our club on the pain of the children of the world and the aids epidemic in sub-Saharan Africa. Tobin lives in Normandy Park and will be moving his office to Rainier Valley. He left his church because of an event that made time stand still for him while in Kenya. While teaching at Day Star U a youth minister David invited Tobin to see a nearby slum, where “World on Fire” was filmed. With a seven year girl for a translator they set off. As they were walking through the sluma crowd started to form a short distance away. As the two groups neared time started to stand still as Tobin saw a young ladies body being carried to a waiting beat-up old Datson pickup. Tobin asked what had happened and was told she died from

AIDS. Still with time standing still Tobin was drawn to the top of a nearby bluff over the top of which he saw rich green lawns of a golf course. It was then Tobin realized God was calling him to choose either the life which he had known of golf or helping to care for the children of Kenya with AIDS. After listening to him it probably was as hard for him as you might think because he truly cares. A few statistics: everyday 29,000 children die of hunger, everyday 15,000 children die from dirty water and everyday 6,000 children are orphaned because of aids. Imagine burying SAFECO field full of children day after day! 40 million have AIDS in Africa. AIDS will not peak until the year 2050. There are no 25-40 year olds in South Africa because of AIDS. 1,000 die everyday from AIDS in South Africa. All of this has led Tobin to World Vision where he is working to help the children of Kenya. Learn more at <http://www.worldvision.org>. Oh yes if you haven't gusted this is Dan Wilson's older brother that Dan brags about at the functions we have attend.



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY: Melody Rogers gave all the fathers present a Cadbury Bar for Father's Day.



BRONZE Medal : Now you have seen this years Special Olympics Bronze Medal won by our own Wendy Leathers!

Shriners Donate: Prince Hall Shiners, #64, have donated \$1,000 of tickets to the Mercer Middle School Child Variety Show, June 29, from 4 to 7 PM. Each ticket will admit 6! If you know someone from the Central or Rainier area that needs or could use tickets contact Robert Thaxton.

PageAhead: We have several boxes to place in businesses around the valley to collect books during June. If you have additional ideas bring them to the meeting so that we can make this a successful Young Children Priority One project and help change the world one child at a time.

June Programs: June 23 Finance Committee Meeting of the Whole, June 30 Board Meeting

Food for Meeting: June 23, June 30



Food Bank: July 1, 9 AM – Noon. **FOOD DONATIONS to the BOARD MEETING.**

CHERRIES: Place with Karl by June 22. Tell him how many and bring the check for them to the meeting Friday. Michael Morrison will take your money. 10 pounds for \$35. **Vans, Bings and Rainier** varieties are available.

Kiwanis Education: . . All solicitations for funds by a Kiwanis club must be confined to the area in which the club functions, except by mutual agreement of clubs in a division, district, or area of solicitation. No member, club, or commercial enterprise may circularize for sale any product or service, solicit funds, or promote any program or project to Kiwanis clubs or members within a district without prior approval of the district board, or outside the district without prior approval of the International Board.

Ground Rules for Meetings:

The following rules are approved and will be developed by the officers. *Time limits on all parts of the agenda. Happy & friendly. No side conversations. Start and End on time. Communicate on attendance. Respect each other e.g. Political, religious, cultural, diversity, race. Educate & learn. Make everyone feel special & important. Mentor new members. Name Tags and Pins to be worn.*

SOS – Save Old Spectacles: Help us help the Lions Club serve the community by saving your old eye glasses and recycling them. Bring them to the meeting or President Nancy's Floral Shop.

Printer Cartridges Mean \$: Bring in your used printer cartridges and turn them into money for the club. We can get money for a used cartridge they must an electronic circuit board on them to count. Laser cartridges are worth more. Color laser cartridges and plain tanks like for most Epson's don't count. We get between \$1-5 per unit. Collection containers and flyers available from President Nancy.



Mark Your Calendar (complete calendar online click here):

June 28 – July 2 Kiwanis International Convention Montreal

August 17- 20 PNW District Convention Lincoln City, OR on the Coast – Book your room at : <http://www.oregoncoast.org>. Registration deadline is July 24, 2006!

International President Steve Siemens will be there so should you.