



KIWANIS CLUB OF RAINIER VALLEY, SEATTLE NEWSLETTER

Organized April 2, 2004

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

Friday, May 5, 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:, Rainier Valley Food Bank, May 12– **7:30 AM** – **Ch. Seattle Council Headquarters** – **3120 Rainier Ave. S.**

Emergency Search & Rescue: Jerry Detloff, Senior Exploring Executive with Learning for Life, Boy Scouts of America, presented and introduced John Traylor, Field Leader for ESAR (Emergency Search and Rescue). Affectionately known as Bush Monkeys and Ground Pounders, ESAR has been instrumental in helping King County Police in gathering evidence and finding lost people since 1954. Initially used as a supplement to SMR (Seattle Mountain Rescue), ESAR has developed into a vital resource of the Sheriff's office. ESAR is made up of over 100 volunteers, many of whom are 16, 17, and 18 years old. The training is rugged and only about 40% graduate from the



120+ hours of training. They are mostly known for finding lost hikers in the mountains but they also help to locate Alzheimer and autistic people, who lose contact with their care givers, in the middle of a city. John showed a video on ESAR involving the search for Matt Vincent, a young hiker lost in the Cascades during an unexpected snow storm in May. It was moving and powerful to listen to



Matt's father talk about the importance ESAR has had for him and his family. To find out more, you can contact ESAR at their web address: www.kcesar.org or Google: King County ESAR.

Mother's Day: In honor of Mother's Day, it was suggested that anyone who can bring their mother or wife to next week's meeting, please do so and we'll celebrate their motherhood. Also, a motion was made (and 2nd) that the Rainier Valley Kiwanis Club promote an annual Mother's Day event, with details worked out at future meetings. The motion was unanimously passed.

PageAhead: We have several boxes to place in businesses around the valley to collect books during May. 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.

GOLF: Get your [golfer](#) and [sponsor](#) forms off our website! Past Lt. Governor Ken North, President of SEATTLE SAVINGS BANK presented Fordie Ross with a \$1,500 for our tournament. HULING BROTHERS step forward to sponsor tournament!! Huling Brothers will sponsor the hole in one for a car. Seattle Savings Bank will sponsor the after tournament shootout where 16 golfers will try for a "hole



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in one" to win \$25,000 for themselves and \$25,000 for the Rainier Valley Kiwanis Club. For their donation Seattle Savings Bank will get their logo on all of the hole pin flags (18)! Now we need more hole sponsors and golfers. Members will be at the event on Friday,

June 2, 2006. Members will recruit golfers (\$80) and teams (\$320). Members will ask for sponsorship of holes. We want 144 golfers and up to 18 hole sponsors - \$150. These funds will help support all of our community service activities.

May Programs : 17 Ukwenga Oleru

Thaxton Induction: Robert Thaxton is ready to be inducted into our club and serve as Secretary next year. His induction is Friday, May 12. We need a full house to welcome him!



Food Bank: May 6 we collected Food at the Red Apple, Hill Top. Thank you to Henry Nelson, Melodie Rogers, and Karl Sutter for collecting this week. Next date: June 3, 9 AM – Noon. **FOOD DONATIONS to the BOARD MEETING. We are trying to make arrangements at QFC and Safeway watch your emails.**

Club Elections May 12: Nominations are being accepted for officers for the Kiwanis Year 06 -07 President Joseph Connor, First Vice President Fordie Ross, Second Vice President Ukwenga Oleru, Secretary Robert Thaxton, Treasurer Michael Morrison, Board Members: Nancy Bratton, Shirley Cooper, Dan Shames, and Wendy Leathers. Henry Nelson and Melodie Rogers will continue for the second year on the Board.

Kiwanis Education: The goal of Kiwanis International's Worldwide Service Project is to eliminate iodine deficiency disorders (IDD) as a major world health concern. Iodine is important for proper brain and nervous system development, so iodine deficiency is especially dangerous during prenatal development and early childhood. IDD is the leading preventable cause of mental and physical retardation in the world today. We have collected the minimum dollars necessary we are working on an endowment to keep the project going to completion.

Relay for Life A MUST: Gabe Dixon need to know if the Rainier Valley Club would cook a pancake breakfast on Saturday morning for the teams. We would need 5 members minimum. We would barrow cooking supplies from West Seattle. We would need pancake mix under 20 pounds, syrup, butter, coffee, plates, forks, knives, spoons, napkins. Cost should be under \$200. A grill can be rented for under \$100. **We NEED to tell him next FRIDAY, MAY 12 at the latest!** We are sponsoring two teams and Key Clubbers and Circle K members will be walking. !

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 \(complete calendar online click here\):](#)

May 10 Interclub to Cambodian Museum White Center

May 12 Club elections and Annual Meeting

[June 2 First Annual Golf Tournament, Lake Wilderness, Maple Valley](#)

June 10, Club Leadership Training

June 28 – July 2 Kiwanis International Convention Montreal

August 17- 20 PNW District Convention Lincoln City, OR on the Coast