



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, Feb. 2, 2007

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: Fordie Ross; President Elect/Second Vice President: Ukwenga Oleru; Secretary: Robert Thaxton; Treasurer Michael Morrison 206-902-2339; Immediate Past President: Nancy Bratton.

Next Meeting: Feb. 2 – 7:30 AM – Foster Children & Adoption Meeting-Ch. Seattle Council Headquarters – 3120 Rainier Ave. S., Members of the Rainier valley Kiwanis Club are urged to come to hear Billy Hancock inform us about these two worthy programs.

Continued Board Meeting : In attendance at the Rainier Valley Kiwanis Feb 2ND 2007 board meeting were Fordie Ross , Wendy Leathers , Henry Nelson , Michael Morrison , Joseph Connors , Ukwenga Oleru , and Robert Thaxton . The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag which was followed by Prayer `The business of the club began with an overwhelming agreement that the two signature programs of the Rainier Valley Kiwanis Club would be Food Bank Support by continuing the Beacon Hill Red Apple food collections and also a commitment to the Learning for Life Reading initiatives by going to schools and spending time reading with children . The lead was noticed in Michael Morrison and his attending the John Muir school and reading and also math study with children . Ukwenga Oleru is dedicated to the Orca School where Rainier Valley Kiwanis member Melody Rogers runs First Base, pre & post school care program. The remaining members have agreed to participate in these two schools and possibly add more schools visited in the future. Henry Nelson brought the Board up to speed on the Career Day options and is spearheading an Automotive Career interest incentive by attending schools with auto shops and offering his expertise as an industry insider. This was welcomed warmly. The calender of events for February 2007 will include Billy Hancock speaking on Foster Care and Adoption on the 9th , Black History Month Celebration Kiwanis presentations on the 16th , and the 23rd Kiwanis Board meeting . Reminders for a March 31st 2007 Zone Conference to elect a LT Governor. A reminder of the second Thursday Div. Council, **Feb. 8**, meeting was announced to be held at Branom Instruments. A reminder of contact lists, assignments, and committee chair activity. The Red Apple Food collection was a success with smiles and a pallet of donated food taken to the Rainier Valley Food Bank/Columbia City on Rainier Ave. The tentative date for a social at Henry Nelsons House will occur when the weather is more desirable .

Dues: Dues were approved at \$120 for regular members. Honorary Kiwanians from other clubs are asked to pay \$35. Please pay your dues as soon as possible. International has sent the roster for payment and Robert Thaxton will be reviewing.

Zone Conference: Members should plan on attending the zone conference on March 31 in Renton. We will host all of our new members to this training session. We will be electing our next two Lt. Governors at this Saturday conference. Pay your \$35 now or \$0 at the door. Get the money to Michael as soon as you can.

Kiwanis International Birthday: You are asked to pay \$8 for each of three foundations, \$5 to Kiwanis International , \$2 to the District Foundation and \$1 to the Canadian Foundation. This annual gift helps all of our sponsored youth programs.

February Programs: Black History Month, 9 Billy Hancock Adoption & Foster Children, 16 All members bring a subject of some great significance to Black History and Black History figures, 23 Board Meeting

March Programs: Bill Baylor ,Community Rehab/Adopt a Convict, Water First



Food for Meeting:

Food Bank: Next collection: **Mar. 2**, 9 AM – Noon. **FOOD DONATIONS to the BOARD MEETING.** (Denis & Karl will be in Canada.)

Kiwanis Education: Members are urged to attend the Zone Conference to elect Aron English as Lt. Governor for 2007-08. Aron a first year Kiwanian is President of the Seattle Club and is ready to step forward and lead the Division.

Kiwanis Service Day: All Kiwanis Clubs around the World are to try an have one project on April 7, 2007. This will be one long day of service for every community in the Kiwanis World. Community Service Chair Ukwenga Oleru will find us a project!



[Mark Your Calendar \(complete calendar online click here\):](#)

Feb. 8 Division council, 6:30 PM Branom Instruments

Mar 2-4 Winter Board PNW District, Richmond, BC, Canada

Mar. 31 Zone Conference

April 7, 2007 Kiwanis Service Day

July 3-7 2007 San Antonio, TX Kiwanis International Convention

August 23-26 2007, PNW District Convention Tacoma

Aug. 14-17, **2008** PNW District Convention TriCities

June 25-28 , **2009** Nashville KI Convention

June 26 – July 2 2008 Orlando KI Convention

June 24- 27, **2010** Las Vegas KI Conventions