



# KiwaNews

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Today's meeting attendance included 8 members.

## On The Horizon:

**Wed. Mar 24<sup>th</sup> Morning - Board Meeting at Be's, All Members Welcome!**

**Wed. Mar 31<sup>st</sup> Evening - 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Social Event at the Phoenician Restaurant**

**Wed. Apr 7<sup>th</sup> Morning - Regular Meeting at Be's**

**Wed. Apr 14<sup>th</sup> Noon - Seattle City Councilman Mike O'Brian**

**On Sustainability of the City's Utility Infrastructure**

**Wed. Apr 21<sup>st</sup> Morning - the Alliance for Education; their mission is to "To help every child in Seattle Public Schools achieve academic success."**

**CLUB LEADERSHIP – 2010-2011:** We are putting together our needs for the leadership of the club for the upcoming year. And, we have a gap!!! We can fill that gap in one of two ways, First and Foremost would be to find a member to be the President for the upcoming year (stepping up to be the President Elect now).

Plan B is to find a full time Treasurer and Newsletter Editor (could be two different people) for the upcoming year. That's it – the rest will fall into place if we can resolve this one challenge. © We Need Members to Step Up!!!! Contact West Niver (206-817-3443) with any questions or your desire to hold a leadership role in one of the finest clubs in the Northwest.



### HAPPY DOLLAR\$: MIKE

LaFRANCHI is headed for a family visit to Modesto. As usual, HENRY NELSON is just happy to be here. BOB FERGUSON reminds us to show up at 6 am for coffee and donuts before ushering the Easter Sunrise Service at Forest Lawn. MIKE

PALMQUIST is elated over the PR stories and fotos in the Herald and WSBlog about our Everyday Hero award to the SW police precinct. WARREN LAWLESS happy he found a prayer on the web appropriate for St. Patty's Day. CHARLIE RUNKE is off to celebrate his son's birthday in "Uppa New Yawk." WEST NIVER is pleased by the publicity the club's getting for its community services.

**WHAT'S YOUR CALLING?** The program was an exercise in which members present wrote down what's important in their lives beyond Kiwanis. It's a fact that we know little about each other beyond faces across from us at meetings and the volunteers who work beside us in projects. It's invigorating to learn the little known good deeds and talents West Seattle Kiwanians contribute to the community at large. Watch your emails for some more info on this topic. ☺

**REVIVING A WORTHWHILE ACTIVITY:** At the Board meeting next Wednesday, revival of a "student of the Quarter" program will be discussed. Should it be for improvement, or best grades? Do the awardees have to be Key Club members? Come and help us decide. Also up for discussion will be Final details of our contribution to the Governor's project. Prez Niver has some suggestions about the Off-Leash Doggy Park (please check out the Pres' Message on page two of this newsletter).

**White Center Kiwanis Club:** Attending this afternoon's White Center Kiwanis meeting were Charlie Runke, Shari Sewell, and West Niver. Their speaker was Heather Enajibi with the Animals First Foundation; fascinating talk about what her program is doing for the humane treatment of unwanted or stray pets by locating foster or permanent homes. Also, we learned about their club's June 12<sup>th</sup> Garage Sale (9826 14<sup>th</sup> Ave SW, 10am-4pm) and July 17<sup>th</sup> Pancake Breakfast at Holy Families church (9615 20<sup>th</sup> SW, 7:30am).



**"The Extraordinary Henry Nelson"** was how our own, and Rainier Valley's, Henry Nelson was described in the 2009 Project Cool Annual Report. Positive comments included his readiness to always be there and help out with the project.

**Mark V. Received his Eagle Rank award** at Troop 284's 95 anniversary celebration. He is pictured standing by Phil Smart Sr. and Troop benefactor, Howard Miller.



## KIWANIS OF WEST SEATTLE

**1ST ANNUAL CHARITY  
MOTORCYCLE POKER RUN, BIKE  
& CLASSIC CAR SHOW**

**May 15th, 2010**

**38th Ave SW & Fautleroy Way SW  
Seattle, WA. 98126**

**PROCEEDS GO TO THE 21ST CENTURY YOUTH  
SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

# Kiwanis Club of West Seattle

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P.O. Box 16128 / SEATTLE, WA 98116  
Meets 7 a.m., every 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at Be's Restaurant,  
Meets at Noon, every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday at Be's Restaurant,  
Board Meetings, Fourth Wednesdays, 7 a.m.  
Be's is located at 4509 California Ave. S.W 98116. Cost \$8.00.

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## DIVISION 26 CLUBS:

**Rainier Valley** – Fri. 7:30 AM, BSA Hdqts. 3120 Rainier Ave. S  
**Highline/Burien** - Tuesdays, 6:30 PM, Camp Schoenwald  
**Industrial** - Tuesdays, 7:15 AM, Salvation Army ARC, 1020 - 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. S  
**Seattle** – 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesdays, Noon, Columbia Tower, 701 5<sup>th</sup> St 75<sup>th</sup> Floor  
**White Center** – Wednesdays, Noon, White Center Pizza  
Lt. Governor 09-10: Joseph Connor  
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## 2010 KIWANIS CALENDAR

**Mar 20, 2010** – ZONE Conference – Kent Sr. Center starting at 7:30am (600 E Smith St, 98030)  
**Mar 25-28, 2010** – Key Club District Conference; Double Tree Hotel, Seattle  
**Mar 31, 2010** – 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Social at the Phoenicia  
**Apr 4, 2010** – Easter Sunrise Service, ushering  
**Apr 10, 2010** – Kiwanis One Day of Service  
**Apr 17, 2010** – WS YMCA Healthy Kids Fair  
**May 14, 2010** – **Happy Birthday, Kiwanis of West Seattle!!!**



**Aug, 2009** – Project Cool Stuff the Pack day  
**May 15, 2010** – Club Leadership Education (CLE)  
**May 15, 2010** – Motorcycle Poker Run & Ol' Rides Classic Car Show Fundraiser

**Jun 12, 2010** – Governor's Project – Canine Support at Westcrest Off Leash Park  
**Jun 24-27, 2010** – Kiwanis International Convention at Las Vegas NV (Colin Powell, guest speaker)  
**July, 2009** – ARRGH! Pirates Landing at Alki Beach  
**Aug 25-29, 2010** – PNW District Convention (Spokane)



### **This is Kiwanis International!**

Kiwanians cannot claim Kiwanis dues as a personal tax deduction. However, Kiwanis dues may qualify as a deductible business expense when a business pays the costs of Kiwanis membership for an employee. Kiwanians should consult a qualified tax adviser on all tax questions.

The Kiwanis International Newsletter is online at:  
<http://www.kiwanis.org/pr/inciter/>

**“Nothing is really work unless you would rather be doing something else.” James M. Barrie (1860 – 1937)**



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## Additional Events of Interest:

- ✓ **FIFTH WEDNESDAY:** The 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, fun social meeting will be at the Phoenicia Restaurant on Alki. Save that evening, 6:30pm, on your calendar.
- ✓ **Easter Sunrise Service:** We have about six members signed up for ushering at the Easter Sunrise Service on April 4<sup>th</sup> (6AM @ Forest Lawn). We need more!!! Contact Warren Lawless ASAP.



## President's Message:

Regarding the Dog Park as our Gov's Project, here is my logic.... Yep, it is the Gov's project and we gotta do something. Dogs and Community, how do they relate?

The community is not healthy. America is overweight. A friend of mine has dropped significant poundage because he got a dog and takes him out for walks. Anything that supports the community in getting out and walking - making the walk more enjoyable - is one aspect of what we are about. **Youth - our "Priority One" - are more likely to go for a walk at a park with their dog then just a walk around the block.** Any way to support folks - young and old - to go outside and walk is good for the community.

Next on the list is the sense of community at dog parks. Should you walk around a dog park as I have (with a friend's dog), you will feel the sense of camaraderie that exists there.

Third, and very important to our club, this project will further get our name out to the community! Through this activity, there is a solid opportunity that we could receive coverage via KOMO TV. With that publicity as well as the hard work from the WS Blog and the WS Herald, we will connect with a vast number of people that can learn our club and the Kiwanis. ☺



**Secretary's Corner** – as Warren Lawless remembers it. Please go to ["www.westseattle.com"](http://www.westseattle.com) for pearls of wisdom from our club Secretary.

Next week's raffle is at \$40; eighteen regular marbles and one Blue Marble!

As always, permission has been granted to post pictures and info from the guest speaker and their website or literature. The Kiwanis of West Seattle assumes no responsibility for any sites linked to or from its newsletter.