

Today's meeting attendance included 12 members and guests.

On The Horizon:

These Events can be used as MAJOR Recruiting Opportunities!!!

- * Sat. May 15th - WS Kiwanis 1st Ever Motorcycle Poker Run, Classic Car Show, & BBQ
- * Sun. May 16th -the Kiwanis at the Farmers Market!
- * Wed. May 19th Morning - Regular Meeting at Be's
- * Wed. May 26th Morning - Board Meeting at Be's, All Members Welcome!

The Kiwanis of West Seattle warmly welcomed Washington State Senator, Joe McDermott, 34th Legislative District.

HAPPY DOLLAR\$: MIKE LaFRANCHI attended the South Seattle Community College Dinner with CHARLIE RUNKE and JAMES LEWIS . . . he met one of the scholarship recipients we sponsored. CHARLIE RUNKE bought a new computer and hopes he can learn how to run it. RUSS GALBREATH well travelled but only makes him appreciate home. LINDA ANN COX already promoting attendance at next year's Hope & Healing Fashion Show. KARL SUTTER scraped together a whole table for the Troop



284 Salmon Dinner; mmmm. SHARI SEWELL wakened at 5 a.m.; sister calling to announce her NY-Seattle flight cancelled. WARREN LAWLESS happy the weather cooperated with the Garage Sale. HENRY NELSON sad the car club can't make it to the Poker Run.



**KIWANIS OF WEST SEATTLE
1ST ANNUAL CHARITY
MOTORCYCLE POKER RUN,
BIKE & CLASSIC CAR SHOW
May 15th, 2010
38th Ave SW & Fautleroy Way SW
Seattle,
PROCEEDS GO TO THE 21ST CENTURY
YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP FUND**



POKER RUN, CLASSIC CAR SHOW, & BBQ

Event is on May 15th!!! This event is our primary fundraiser for the 21st Century Scholarship fund. Tee-shirts were received and on display at today's Kiwanis Meeting. The duty roster has been distributed to the club and a Gap Analysis was completed and being resolved for supplies and equipment. We are expecting all members that are in town

to make a solid appearance and assist as needed for this event.



LEGISLATIVE SESSION NO PICNIC: State Senator Joe Mc Dermott laid out all the difficulties of the 2010 Legislative Session. He's been there eight years and this one was the toughest. The big problem was the State's huge cash shortfall. It took another month of negotiating after the close of the regular session to create a balanced budget required by the State Constitution. The wrangling was not between parties, but pitted Democratic majorities in the House and Senate against each other. The house finally prevailed in its version, a combination of taxes and fund shifting rather than a boost in the sales tax.



When building the budget, the gap started at \$9 Billion. After innovative and controversial cuts, the current gap is at \$2.8 Billion. Tactics that resulted with less expenditure this year than in prior years included a significant reduction in the State labor force with potential future reductions in the coming year.



KIWANIS GARAGE SALE: We have another successful Garage Sale under our belt last Saturday; raising \$318.25 for our Administrative funds. In attendance were Warren Lawless, Shari Sewell, Sig Stakkestad, Bob Ferguson, Denis Sapiro, and West Niver.



Kiwanis Club of West Seattle

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Meets at Noon, every 2nd Wednesday at Be's Restaurant,
Board Meetings, Fourth Wednesdays, 7 a.m.
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2010 KIWANIS CALENDAR

- May 15, 2010** – Club Leadership Education (CLE)
May 15, 2010 – Motorcycle Poker Run & Ol' Rides
Classic Car Show Fundraiser
May 25, 2010 – Sea Univ. CK Meeting; 6pm at Pigott
Bldg Rm 208
June 2, 2010 – Sea Univ. CK Meeting; 6pm at Pigott
Bldg Rm 208
Jun 12, 2010 – Governor's Project – Canine Support at
Westcrest Off Leash Park!!!
Jun 18/19, 2010 – Relay for Life at
the WS Stadium
Jun 24-27, 2010 – Kiwanis
International Convention at Las
Vegas NV (Colin Powell, guest
speaker)
July, 2009 – ARRGH! Pirates
Landing at Alki Beach
Aug, 2010 – Project Cool Stuff the Pack day
Aug 25-29, 2010 – PNW District Convention
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The First Object of Kiwanis International is "To give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life."

The Kiwanis International Newsletter is online at:

<http://www.kiwanis.org/pr/inciter/>

Next week's raffle is at \$75; nine regular marbles and one Blue Marble!

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Additional Events of Interest:



- ✓ **CLUB LEADERSHIP – 2010-2011:** The nominating committee has been formed; chairing the committee is Henry Nelson with Mike LaFranchi & Karl Sutter as committee members.
- ✓ **June 18th - 19th Relay For Life:** The Shari Sewell will be taking the lead in rallying a team for this event.
- ✓ **West Crest Off Leash Park (Gov's Project) June 12th:** This With the conclusion of the Poker Run Fundraiser, we can sink our teeth (figuratively) into the Westcrest Off Leash Park project The work parties will be announced shortly, expect them to start in two weeks.



President's Message:

This Saturday, our club is trying a new and untried fundraising project; a Motorcycle Poker Run. Most of the pieces are in place; pretty much it is coming together. First, I need to thank the club in supporting this unique project. Until a few months ago, very few members knew what a poker run was.

Next, I want to invite all our members – active & non-active alike – to come out and see what it is about. Not often in our lives do we get to participate in such a distinctive fundraiser. Let's continue to think outside the box and have a great time this Saturday. Which I might add, will be a nice, sunny day.

"Time is the coin of your life. It is the only coin you have, and only you can determine how it will be spent. Be careful lest you let other people spend it for you."
Carl Sandburg