



Kiwanis Kall

September, 2009

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The Red Lotus, 714 Auburn Way N.
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## Board Meetings

**Rainbow Cafe**

**Fridays, 12 Noon**

next meeting

**Friday,**

**September 4, 2009**

Hello Fellow Kiwanians!

What a summer it has been! Lisa and I had 2 children get married this month and the weddings have consumed a lot of our time. They were both wonderful weddings and we are happy that things should start to slow down in September.

Auburn Good Old Days was also this month and Martha Koch and Jim Nannery did a fabulous job getting it organized and we had help from many club members to make that a success! It was the last fundraiser of the year for my presidency and all in all we had a good year even though times are tough when it comes to fundraising in this economy.

The year has gone by quickly and I have really enjoyed my time as your president. As I reflect back on the many events that we have had it is easy to see why it passed so quickly! There is a lot of work that has been done by many different Kiwanians to ensure that we are helping folks in our community. With the support of all of you all of the programs we support could not be accomplished. Thank you for all your commitment and dedication that you have shown this year. I will give a final report in next months Kall, but I wanted to let you know now how much your hard work has meant to me and to all the children and adults that we serve in our community.

**We have the installation of new officers on September 17<sup>th</sup>. It will be held at Fields and Company Restaurant in Auburn from 6 to 8pm. There will be a nice dinner and no host bar as well. If you would like to attend please see me or Debbie Christian for tickets which will be \$25.00 each.**

One of my main goals this year was to get attendance back up, and I think we have accomplished that to an extent! We can always use a few more people each week but we are back to around 20 folks most weeks. This past week we had the Past Presidents Day and it was very well attended! What a great way to learn about the history of our club from the men and women who made that history! If you have not been to a meeting lately please try to stop by and see us. We miss you!

President Wes



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The 2008-2009 Kiwanis year slithered by with amazing rapidity. For me, one of the more ancient Kiwanians with a pretty long history of Kiwanis, it was a wonderful year. I enjoyed President Wes' leadership and his tremendous zeal in trying to make it a fun year. He succeeded beyond expectations and what I thought was especially nice, I think he had fun too.

Of course he had the assistance of an amazingly dedicated team of co-officers and board members. True, as Wes says, it wasn't an especially lucrative year, but we as a club were not alone in feeling the pinch of the times. I thought it was great how much support our lieutenant governor had given our club. I think, shy a couple meetings, he proved himself to be a perfect attendee.

As I've said in an earlier *Kall*, I believe our club is positioning itself for healthy longevity. We have some young, intelligent and enthusiastic members, older members who are willing to lead again and several members who are ready to assume leadership as lieutenant governors and governors. There's no stopping us, eh?

In my usual begging rant for STUFF, I got an e-mail from one of our newest and youngest members, Mike O'Brien, who said in response, "I wish I had something interesting for you." Right then and there I knew he would have and, as you can see elsewhere in this *Kall*, he did. With this kind of participation, we can't go wrong.

Thanks, all of you, Leadership for the Kiwanis Year 2008—2009. it was a an enthusiastic, fun year!

The Editor



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Larry and Margaret Hasrto  
From the Covington Kiwanis

## JIM NANNERY'S PHOTO VIEW OF DISTRICT CONVENTION IN MEDFORD



Barb Vance, Jim Nannery and  
Gail and Bob Spurrell from our  
club



Keith Cantwell, Denny Swanson, and Dick Brugger

## & PAST PRESIDENTS' DAY IN AUBURN



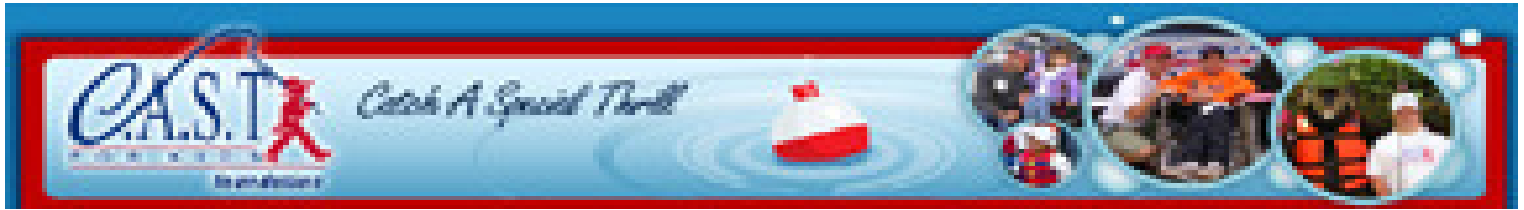
Dr. Mel Sinex and Gene Mason



Garland Price, Jack Miller and Gene Mason



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By Colleen Nichols

**Sept 12, 2009.**

### *Catch a Special Thrill!*

The kids arrive around 7:30 am and go fishing around 9:00 am.

When they return, we have bbq hamburgers and hot dogs chips and beverages waiting for them in the park.



Colleen Nichols and Jean Farrington faithful CAST volunteers for years!

It would be great to see fellow Kiwanians help out. Here are the details

Date: Sept 12, 2009

Time: 7:30 - 1:00 pm

Where : Gene Coulon Park

What to bring? Warm clothes!! and YOU. I would love a donation of cookies for this event. There are approximately 150 people there (kids, siblings, parents, boaters and volunteers.) Therefore I am in need of 300 cookies. If anyone has a connection, please let me know.

## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

And a  
**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**  
To:

**Sharon LaVigne**

**September 7th**

**David Jarvey**

**September 8th**

**Colleen Nichols**

**September 14th**

**Richard Plummer**

**September 26th**

## DAVID FOXLEY

### AND HIS IRON BUTT RALLY

Decent road food, and a good time visiting with the other riders. We were well ahead of schedule, and took a long time for this break, over an hour. One of the tips for long distance riding is to eat light. Ease off and look for some- literally slow you you sleepy! Haugen, MT. Ap- is huge for ATV family sport, whole dad leading, kids in (riding between the and mom bringing would group up around the pumps, gas up, and be off into the hills. Lots of Jeeps, and built 4x4's, also.



It was time to break, and we pulled into Old Mission State Park in Idaho. They have a small picnic area, and a new Visitor Center. The oldest standing building in all of Idaho is found here. The Mission of the Sacred Heart or Sacred

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## MICHAEL O'BRIEN RESPONDED TO MY PLEA.

*Thanks, Mike I appreciate what you have to say.....*

I'm extremely excited to be an official Kiwanis member; I certainly hope that in the coming months and years, we can continue to add members with new, exciting perspectives on service (although I won't claim that my perspectives have either of those qualities). I'd like to mention, though, that in my experience members of the younger generations seem oblivious to the existence of service clubs such as Kiwanis in their communities. For example, I never knew a thing about any club until after meeting Kim Anardi, and I've lived and been involved in Auburn for nearly my entire life. As such, I would consider visibility to be the biggest impediment to an uptick in new young Kiwanians. I look forward to helping remedy this in the future!



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## AND PAMELA SMITH ADDS HER WELCOME VOICE

*Thanks, Pamela...*

Warm Fuzzy time for me!!!! I try not to miss the past Presidents meeting, not because I am a Past President, it is what this day stands for. The history being told and the things our Club has accomplished and where we are heading. We have richness in Leadership that goes deep into the veins of this Organization and it is truly humbling to hear the strides this Club has made in our history. Think about how we have changed to the needs and kept what is important to us as a Club. You think (kidding aside) letting women into the Club in 1987!!! That was huge change, but our Club bent and learned and grew through a lot of challenges but still we are a strong Club part of a strong Division in the best District there is...the PNW. Thanks for all your friendships and helping me grow as a person and Kiwanian. Thanks for the new friendships that happened in Medford. Only in Kiwanis always in our hearts



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## IRON BUTT RALLY

*continued from page 4* Heart Mission was constructed between 1850 and 1853 by Catholic missionaries and members of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe. The park features the Sacred Heart Mission building, a restored Parish House and an historic cemetery. The visitor center includes an interpretive exhibit about the Mission and the Coeur d'Alene Indians

We had negotiated the busy parts of Idaho, and Spokane safely, and now were westbound into a bit of a headwind. I had overestimated how far I could run on a tank of gas, and actually expected to run out on the highway. I got to the Tokio Templins station, and it was closed. PANIC! Oops, I forgot, this is Eastern Washington, they left the pumps unlocked, and the card readers on. I put 4.5 gallons into the 5 gal. tank. We visited with another Harley rider, (not an SS1000 rider) and he shared some outstanding Jerky from the custom meat shop in Cle Elum.

Cle Elum was our last stop out on the highway, and I was now into the coffee and sugar. I knew I could buzz with the caffeine, and not come down before the end of the ride. I am understanding the draw of the road for the serious long distance rider, I just don't want to quit. We have to follow the route, so we can't really add more miles, but we will be doing this again. Even though the roads are very familiar now, it is still different from the seat of the Harley. The engine smoothly humming along, the wind, the road noise, even the traffic add to an almost tranquil setting, albeit at 75 mph, you don't want to doze off.



We fuel in Fife, to get the last gas pump computer slip, and check in to South Sound BMW. The last riders in! It is not a race, but I guess some folks treated it as such. We had a good time, and a good ride.

Starting time 0457 hrs, at 56621 miles. Ending time at 0035 hrs, at 57742 miles. 1,121 miles in about 20 hours. Next attempt will be the Bun Burner Gold, 1500 miles in 24 hours. Who wants to ride along?



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## September Speakers

Lisa Clark and Debbie Christian are September's Program Chairs. Their Programs are:

Thursday, September 3rd  
Kiwanian Jim Schwend on European River Cruises

Thursday, September 10th  
To be announced

Thursday, September 17th  
John W. Cartmell...on Nutrition and Diabetes

Thursday, September 24th  
Gary A. Teale. Executive Director  
Avivara a non-profit \ organization committed to improving the quality of and access to education in poor and remote villages of Guatemala.



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