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BULLETIN

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Upcoming Dates.** We will not meet on January 1st.
- **Interclubs.** This Kiwanis year, we hope to repeat our accomplishment of attending all clubs in Division 11.
 - On Wednesday, January 6th, we will travel to Huxley to witness the formation of their new club. Meet in the (former) K-Mart parking lot at **11:00am** to travel to Huxley.
- **Club Assessment.** President-Elect and Membership Chair Bill Bossenberger has distributed a survey aimed at club self assessment. We hope to hear the results soon.
- **Makeup Assignments.** Kiwanis International has expanded their definition of a make up for missing a regular meeting: Terms are generous. Information is posted on our web site.
- **Food at First.** A volunteer opportunity to leap at: Our next scheduled commitment to Food at First falls on Monday, February 29th.
- **Miracle League.** Kiwanis clubs in Story County are making tentative plans to build a Miracle League playground and ball park in Ames, in Lloyd Kurtz Park. The estimated cost is \$1.5 million. We hope to have the facility completed in July, 2017. ARC of Story County is taking the lead in efforts to raise funds, hire contractors, oversee construction, and so forth. Once completed, the facility would be staffed and maintained by members of Kiwanis clubs in Story County. The results of a straw vote at our meeting this past week indicated strong support by our club to participate in this adventure.
- **Thank You!** Club Webmaster Bud Everett, in coordination with our Board of Directors, has built a new club web site, using a new internet service. The page looks great and will serve us well as an updated version of our old system. The new address is:
 - www.amesnoonkiwanis.portalbuzz.com
- **Thank You!** Gary Osweiler will be overseeing Knickles for Kids! We will pick up redeemable bottles and cans at the end of January.

CONTACT INFORMATION

- **Web Site:** Type into the browser address bar: www.amesnoonkiwanis.portalbuzz.com.
- **Facebook.** www.facebook.com/KiwanisClubsOfAmes.
- **Roster:** See: "Member Login" on our web site. (Name: Roster. Password: Roster1200).

PROJECT REPORTS

- **Food Shelf.** Volunteers are needed! Contact Bernie White for more details. We are working with Hy-Vee on potential food drives.
 - Our service is extremely valuable to the Ames community because we collect such a large volume of food.
 - Thank you to Carl and Ginny Anderson, Cynthia Gaunt, Ken Larson, Doug and Kris Meinhard, Gary and Sue Osweiler, Gary Wade, and Don and Mary Ellen Wishart for helping Bernie collect food each week.
- **Project Eliminate.** Kiwanis International has joined with USAID and UNICEF to Eliminate Maternal-Neonatal Tetanus.
 - We need just \$15k to reach our goal of becoming a model club.
 - Ask Ted MacDonald how to become a Zeller or Centennial Award recipient.
 - Maeann Unser challenges us to contribute 100 coins (of any denomination) for each year we participate in this project.
 - **Just Desserts!** Our December 18th dessert auction raised \$343. Congratulations!
- **Gift Wrap. Done!**
 - It seems like things became very hectic at the end. Details later.
 - Many thanks to those members who were able to stick it out for the last few days.
- **Pancake Committee.** The committee is meeting and setting up our plans for 2016. Co-Chairs are Lauris Olson and Bob Currie.
 - Dates:
 - Thursday, March 3rd: Set up, beginning at about 8:00 a.m. at the storage unit.
 - Friday, March 4th: Serve pancakes at our weekly meeting. Pancake Days is 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 pm.
 - Saturday, March 5th: Pancake Days is 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Clean up and storage follows.
 - In 2016, we will add scrambled eggs to the menu. Ticket prices (adult = \$6.00; children = \$3.00) will remain the same. We hope to increase ticket sales by serving more options.
 - We need captains, volunteers for set-up and tear-down, etc.
 - Placemat ads are \$60 for members who have previously purchased space and \$75 for other members and non-members. Act soon!
- **Heartland Senior Services.** HSS seeks volunteers for their at-home meal delivery system. The route requires about one hour. Contact Geri Derner.
- **Teen Maze.** The dates for this upcoming year are April 4-8. Volunteers are sought for the planning committee. Contact Bob Currie, Nancy Kaltenheuser, or Ronnie Lindeman.

TREASURER NEEDED

Beginning October, 2016 our club will need a new Treasurer. Contact Mike Miller.

COMMITTEES

- **AKtion Club.** The club will meet next on Tuesday, January 5th 4:00 p.m., First United Methodist Church, for their Holiday Party. Contact Ed Gillott.
- **Circle K Club.** The next general meeting is scheduled for the Spring semester. Stay tuned.

KIWANIS FOUNDATION

The Kiwanis Foundation serves the children of Ames by providing college scholarships to high school seniors who excel in serving our community and who require financial assistance to further their education. Please return your pledge card with a generous donation (see attached). Contact Mike Miller or John Core for details.