

KIWANIS CLUB OF AMES, IOWA

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BULLETIN

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JANUARY 29TH PROGRAM

ACTORS: Moon Over Buffalo!

Lynn Lloyd and Judy Brown will tell us about an upcoming play presented by our local theater: ACTORS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Knickels for Kids.** This Friday, Gary Osweiler will pick up redeemable bottles and cans. Money from trash; can't beat the deal.
- **Interclubs.** This Kiwanis year, we hope to repeat our accomplishment of attending all clubs in Division 11.
 - Carl Anderson, Bill Bossenberger, Ed Gillott, and Nancy Kaltenheuser attended a meeting of the Cyclone Country AKtion Club.
- **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.
- **Food at First.** A volunteer opportunity to leap at: Our next scheduled commitment to Food at First falls on Monday, February 29th. Contact Neal Dietz.
- **Ballard Kiwanis Charter Dinner.** The charter dinner for the Ballard Area Community Kiwanis Club is scheduled for Thursday, February 18th at 6:00 p.m. See attached for details.
- **NE-IA Mid-Year Conference.** The Mid-Year Conference is scheduled for Saturday, February 6th, at Bellevue East High School in Bellevue, Nebraska. We will be sending delegates. All are invited to join our delegates for a fun and informative meeting. Contact Mike Miller.
 - **Bring new socks to our weekly meeting.** These will be delivered to KI to be distributed to those persons who need them.
- **Division 11 Meeting.** Kiwanis Clubs in Division 11 will meet at Town & Country Kiwanis, Green Hills Retirement Center, 8:00-9:00, Saturday, January 30. Come early to the T&C meeting at 7:00am to help build a double interclub.
- **Honored Member.** Roger Lawrence, long-time member of our club and former NE-IA District Governor, has been granted the status of "Honored Member." Congratulations Roger!
- **Changes!** The format and delivery of our weekly Bulletin will be undergoing some welcomed changes. Stay tuned (about mid-March).

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.
- **Scholarship Time!** Contact Tim Tryon if you are interested in working on our Scholarship Committee.
- **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!
 - Sign up online at: amesnoonkiwanis.org
- **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.
 - Our club will donate \$1,000 to help run Teen Maze.
 - We will be responsible for lunch on Thursday, April 7th.

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- **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, and oversee construction. Once completed, the facility would be staffed and maintained by members of Kiwanis clubs in Story County.

TREASURER NEEDED

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

MAKEUP ATTENDANCE

Kiwanis International has expanded their definition of a make up for missing a regular meeting: Terms are generous.

- Perfect Attendance is based on total years rather than consecutive years.
- There is no penalty for an approved leave of absence.
- Perfect Attendance will be calculated for the Kiwanis year beginning October 1.
- Attendance at weekly club meetings, monthly board meetings and official interclubs (4 members) will be tracked by the club Secretary.
- If you miss a meeting and want to be considered for Perfect Attendance it is your responsibility to report a "make-up" with a Kiwanis-related activity of our club or another club within a month (before or after) a missed meeting. Contact Geri Derner."

COMMITTEES

- **AKtion Club.** The club will meet next on Tuesday, February 16, 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 Wednesday, February 3, 5:30 p.m., 113 East Hall.
 - The C5K is scheduled for Saturday, April 16th at Ada Hayden Park. Details later.

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.

CONTACT INFORMATION

- **Web Site:** 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. Type into the browser address bar: www.amesnoonkiwanis.org.
- **Facebook.** www.facebook.com/KiwanisClubsOfAmes.
- **Roster:** See: "Member Login" on our web site. (Login: Your email address. Password: Roster1200). [These instructions will change soon. Stay tuned...]

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Erica Peterson: Boys and Girls Club of Ames

Great Futures Start Here! The mission of the Boys and Girls Club is to inspire and enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens. Ms. Peterson invited us to stop by to tour the newly re-modeled facility. Boys and Girls Club starts when school ends. It provides at-risk children with opportunities to exercise, eat an afternoon snack, get their homework done, and enjoy the company of others. The club serves over 600 local kids. The daily attendance during the school months equals about 80 and during the summer months this figure increases to about 115 kids per day. The club operates 240 days per year (closed on weekends and holidays). The club relies upon science based and evidence-supported programs aimed at academic success, healthy lifestyles, character and citizenship, and positive relationships with adults. The club works on “taking hunger out of the equation.” This past summer, for example, the Boys and Girls Club of Ames served 5,466 meals! The club emphasizes the importance of academics throughout the year and during the summer works to prevent “summer brain drain” (i.e., forgetting what you learned during the school year).

Guests

Steve Jones, guest of Neal Dietz and new member!

OTHER STUFF

- Welcome back Bob Currie!
- Best wishes to John Core!