

# KIWANIS CLUB OF AMES, IOWA

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## BULLETIN

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### JULY 1ST PROGRAM

#### V.V. Raman: Independence Days of Various Nations

Club member V. V. Raman will tell us about the celebration of independence in other countries.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### July Birthdays!

7: Jim Converse

13: Roger Lawrence

30: Ann Kennedy

9: Jerry Chase

16: George Belitsos

31: Sam Carstens

- **July 4th Pancakes.** We anticipate that the City of Ames will contact us for volunteer help for the Fourth of July Pancake Breakfast. Mark your calendar and stay tuned for details.
- **Bike Rodeo.** Contact either Geri Derner or Cathy Krebs to help organize and conduct a summertime bike rodeo in Ames. Saturday, July 9th, 9:00am to 11:00am, in the parking lot of Ames High School. We will sponsor 8 stations of bike safety and fun. Contact Jake McClernon regarding ideas for publicity. Ask Geri Derner for a copy of a publicity poster.
- **Hold the Date.** Our annual summer social is scheduled for Saturday, August 27th at the Ames Masonic Lodge. Auction with fun, desserts with fun, good food with fun, fun with fun.
- **Interclubs.** This Kiwanis year, we hope to attend all clubs in Division 11.
  - Carl (and Ginny) Anderson, Jerry Chase, Ed (and Diane) Gillott, and Lauris Olson attended the annual picnic for AKtion Club.
- **Story City Kiwanis.** We might want to sponsor a new club being (re)formed in Story City. We need at least 2 members of our club to take the lead. Contact Mike Miller for details.
- **Membership Meeting.** We will host a special meeting on Tuesday, July 26th, 5:30pm to 7:30pm to host potential new members. Dinner, wine and cheese. Cost = \$15. See attached.
- **NE-IA District Convention.** The NE-IA District Convention is scheduled for August 5-6 at Prairie Meadows in Altoona, Iowa. Geri Derner will be the Master of Ceremonies!
- **Nevada Kiwanis Softball.** The Nevada Kiwanians need help with scorekeeping and ticket sales for their annual softball tournament. Tuesday, August 2 to Friday, August 5.
- **Photo Exhibit.** Stop by the Northcrest Retirement Center through July 5th to see photos displayed by Don Wishart.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Update Your Profile.** Update your profile on our new and improved web site. Remember to include a recent photograph of yourself.

## PROJECT REPORTS

- **Food Shelf.** 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 \$11k to reach our goal of becoming a model club.
  - Contact Mike Miller or Ted MacDonald for an opportunity to have them assist you in raising funds for you to win a Zeller Award.
  - **Congratulations! We did it again by raising the funds to win a Club Zeller Award.**
- **Scholarships.** The Scholarship Committee has selected three recipients of our \$1,000 college scholarships. Announcements later.
- **Miracle League.** Kiwanis clubs in Story County are planning to build a Miracle League playground and ball park in Ames, in Innis Grove Park. The estimated cost is \$1.5 million. We hope to have the facility completed in July, 2018. 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. A fundraising event is being planned for August 2-7, as part of the Nevada softball tournament. Details later.

## MAKEUP ATTENDANCE

Kiwanis International has expanded their definition of a make up for missing a regular meeting: Contact Geri Derner for details.

## 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.

## COMMITTEES

- **AKtion Club.**
  - Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 5th, 3:30 p.m. Contact Ed Gillott.
- **Circle K Club.** See you in September!

## 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](http://www.amesnoonkiwanis.org).
- **Facebook.** [www.facebook.com/KiwanisClubsOfAmes](http://www.facebook.com/KiwanisClubsOfAmes).
- **Roster:** Go to "Member Login" on our web site. Login with your email address & your password. Click on "Members" in the left-side navigation column.

## JUNE 24TH PROGRAM

### Bill Boon: The Kiwanis Medicine Wheel

In some Native American cultures, the medicine wheel is a metaphor for a variety of spiritual concepts. A medicine wheel may also be a stone monument that illustrates this metaphor. Historically, the monuments were constructed by laying stones in a particular pattern on the ground oriented to the four directions. Most medicine wheels follow the basic pattern of having a center of stone, and surrounding that is an outer ring of stones with "spokes" (lines of rocks) radiating from the center to the cardinal directions (East, South, West and North). These stone structures may or may not be called "medicine wheels" by the people whose ancestors built them, but may be called by more specific terms in that nation's language.

The Kiwanis Club of Ames, the Town and Country Kiwanis Club, and the Golden K Kiwanis Club, in cooperation with the Ames Parks and Recreation Department and our friends and donors, built a Medicine Wheel at Ada Hayden Heritage Park. The Medicine Wheel was dedicated on September 16, 2006. It exists as a sacred object. The Medicine Wheel Project began in early spring, 2004, under the leadership of Barbara Gurganus and Bill Boon. The project was completed on September 16, 2006, just hours before the dedication ceremony. Members of the three Kiwanis clubs and their friends, in cooperation with the Ames Department of Parks and Recreation, worked hard for many hours clearing the land and erecting two sites: An outdoor theater and the 40' diameter Medicine Wheel.

Today, the Kiwanis Medicine wheel has matured into a lovely site, located on the west side of Ada Hayden Memorial Park. Visit it. Enjoy!

### Guests

Weston Wunder, guest of Bill Boon

Indira Raman, daughter of V.V. Raman



# BIKE RODEO

Hands on activities to promote bicycle skills and safety



**Saturday, July 9**

**9 – 11 AM**

**Ames High School Parking Lot  
20<sup>th</sup> & Ridgewood**

(Rain date – Saturday, July 16)

## Safety Stations Include

- Helmet fit
- Bike fit and inspection
- Start and stop
- Avoid hazards
- Scan and signal
- Turn and yield

**FREE and FUN**  
**For elementary age children**

## Participant Information

- Bring your own bicycle
- Bring your own helmet  
(loaners will be available if needed)
- Wear comfortable clothing
- Wear closed toe shoes – no flip flops
- Must be accompanied by an adult



For more information visit  
[www.amesnoonkiwanis.org](http://www.amesnoonkiwanis.org)



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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Kiwanis Club of Ames** City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Foundation Pledge Card**

I would like to contribute \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to the Kiwanis Club of Ames Foundation and I pledge to pay by:

- Enclosed check for the full amount. Please make checks out to: **Kiwanis Club of Ames Foundation**
- Credit Card: Account #: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. \_\_\_\_\_ Vin # \_\_\_\_\_
- Monthly payments of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month for \_\_\_\_\_ months (*Please no more than 12*) paid by:
  - check or  credit card (please fill out above credit card information and it will be run monthly on the 15th)
- Please add \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to my quarterly Kiwanis Bill until my pledge is completed.

**Please return pledge card to: John Core, 3006 Briggs Circle, Ames, Iowa 50010 or  
Hand in at a Friday meeting to Mike, Geri, or John.**

**Any questions please contact John at 515.233.1014**

**All donations are tax deductible and may qualify for the Endow Iowa Tax Credit Program.**