

KIWANIS CLUB OF AMES, IOWA

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BULLETIN

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JULY 29TH PROGRAM

Gary Wade: NCAA Basketball

Gary Wade will update us on the wonderful invention of Dr. James Naismith.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Knicks for Kids.** This week, bring your redeemable bottles and cans to our meeting. Gary Osweiler will pick them up.
- **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.
 - Please plan to prepare a dessert for the auction. The dessert should be homemade and serve 8. Contact Mike Miller.
 - Contact John Core, Sue Converse, or Jim Converse about donating an item to the auction.
 - Items donated thus far include: New handmade Green Bay Packers quilt and pillow; Marcello Dudovich Martini Rossi Vermouth Bianco 36" x 46" framed art print; One of a kind aged cedar post solar garden lantern; "All Things ISU" - Basket full of ISU goodies: Watch, Belt, Flag, Towel, Music Box Globe!; set of 4 handmade Fall quilted placemats; and the opportunity to clean Steve Sapp's garage!
- **Invocation.** Seeing a volunteer to give the invocation on July 29. Contact Ronnie Lindeman.
- **Interclubs.** This Kiwanis year, we hope to attend all clubs in Division 11.
 - Carl Anderson, Bill Bossenberger, Ed Gillott, and Nancy Kaltenheuser attended a recent meeting of AKtion Club.
 - Contact Cynthia Gaunt about a proposed IC to the new club in Huxley, August 3rd.
- **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.
- **Update Your Profile.** Update your profile and photograph on our new and improved web site. Don Wishart will be available this Friday to take photographs.

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.
 - **Congratulations! We did it again by raising the funds to win a Club Zeller Award.**
- **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, August 16th, 4:00 p.m. at the Ames Public Library.
 - AKtion Club members want to attend the NE-IA District Convention on Saturday, August 6th. Ed Gillott is requesting volunteers to help escort AKtion club members. The bus will leave from City Hall at 7:00 a.m. **RSVP to 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.
- **Facebook.** 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.

JULY 22ND PROGRAM

George Belitsos: Llamas at Hobbits Hill

We met at beautiful Hobbits Hill in west Ames to view and learn about llamas. These fascinating animals, native to South America, grow excellent quality wool, serve as exceptional quality guard animals, are friendly and outgoing, do not bite, do not kick, do not spit (unless severely provoked), and are just plain fun to be around.

George has owned llamas since 1990, when former ISU faculty member Bill Franklin helped him bring some to Ames. He owns three moms and their three daughters. A llama lives to be about 20 years old. They are highly intelligent animals and good companions, either around the farm or to take on a hike! Llamas can easily carry 100 pounds of gear and are perfectly happy to follow you on your hiking adventures. Their wool weaves into high quality scarves and blankets, which by the way, are sold locally at Octagon Center for the Arts. An additional feature: Llama scat makes excellent fertilizer and does not stink.

Although they are not really suited to be house pets, they make excellent sheep guards, emitting a loud alarm sound at the presence of predators. Highly protective, they will attack and kill wolves and coyotes.

Thank you, George, for a wonderful day at Hobbits Hill!

Guests

Ming, Faye, and John, guests of George Belitsos

Jean Watson, spouse of Bob Watson

Natalie Tryon, daughter of Tim Tryon

Chloe, granddaughter of Gary Wade

Ginny Everett, spouse of Bud Everett

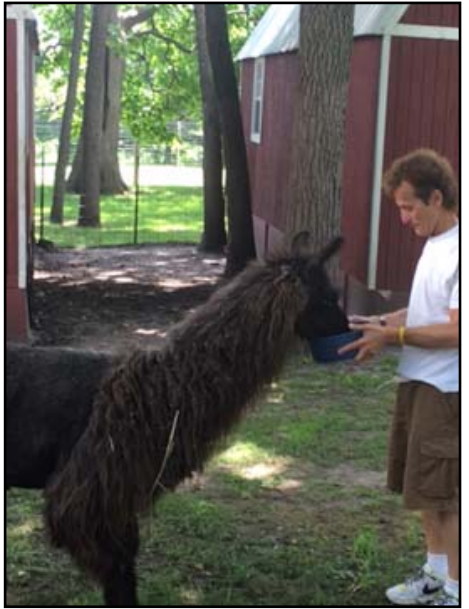
Jessica Willis, sister of Johnny Willis

Steve Miller, father of Maeann Unser

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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.