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AUGUST 12TH PROGRAM

Tim Read: Creating Characters and Children Stories

Artist and author Tim Read from 5 Fingers Creative will tell us about story telling to children.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **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 must be homemade (not necessary for ice-cream) and serve 8. Contact Mike Miller.
 - Contact John Core, Sue Converse, or Jim Converse about donating an item to the silent 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; 5 packs of photo notecards by Don Whishart; a comfortable meal for 6-8 persons at the Millers; \$50 Walmart gift card; Kiwanis Wine Bottle Stopper; Kiwanis Apron-Blue (to be used for Pancake Days?); Brown Llama Wool Rug from Hobbit's Hill; and the opportunity to clean Steve Sapp's garage!
- **Interclubs.** This Kiwanis year, we hope to attend all clubs in Division 11.
- **Membership Event.** Our July 26th membership event attracted 36 persons, including 12 prospective members. Thank you to these persons for organizing the event: Bill Bossenberger, Geri Derner, Neal Dietz, Paul Domoto, Cathy Krebs, Ronnie Lindeman, and Ted MacDonald.
- **I-CUBS.** We have 12 general admission tickets that can be used in the next few weeks. \$2 each. Let Geri Derner know if you are interested. Can be upgraded for reserved seats.
- **Senior Variety Show.** Volunteers are requested to serve as ushers, etc. Receive a free ticket to see the show. Let Geri Derner know if you are interested in helping with either show at the City Auditorium on Friday night, August 19 or Sunday afternoon, August 21. Each show needs 22 ushers, so sign up early for choice of locations.

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.
- **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.

AUGUST 5TH PROGRAM

Bob Haug and Don Kom: Community Solar Initiative

Haug stated that Ames can take advantage of a renewable source of energy and reduce the city's carbon footprint by developing a community solar project. Haug noted that few private properties have the placement and access to sunlight to take full advantage of solar panels. Therefore, even with exceptional advances in the quality of solar panels to deliver energy at reasonable costs, a city benefits less from a collection of privately-owned projects as compared with a community-based project. Because solar prices have reduced dramatically, and with federal subsidies still in place, now is a good time for communities to devote resources to solar energy. Haug pointed out successful examples of community solar projects, such as one built in Cedar Falls. Haug believes that a similar project would have the support of most residents in Ames. We need to move quickly, however, to take advantage of federal tax credits, which end in December, 2017.

Don Kom said that such a project is both doable and advisable. He is searching for a site of approximately 10 acres that can be purchased and used for the project. Kom points out that our natural gas facility needs to operate at a certain capacity to continue burning trash (otherwise, we would need to send more of our trash to a landfill). Within these constraints, however, we have excess capacity that can be filled with solar energy. Indeed, one idea would be to place the panels at the landfill site.

Guests

Thomas and Elly Leopold: grandchildren of Doug and Kris Meinhard

Carl Schloerke: son of Wally Schloerke

Harriett and Bob Ringenberg, and George Beran: members of Golden K Kiwanis.



“Way Out West”

We’re roundin’ up some Kiwanians,
friends and fun for the
Annual Summer Picnic and Auction



Saturday, August 27, 2016
Masonic Lodge – Ames
107 Alexander Ave
5:30 social – 6:00 dinner
Silent Auction closes at 8:00

*Dinner from Hickory Park along with dessert auction.
Make sure your table partners bring along their bags of gold!!*

MEMBER NAME _____ Number Attending _____
(member meal will be included in dues invoice; club will cover one guest meal; additional will be billed at \$8.25)

____ I would like to help SET UP the picnic area

Guest Names

____ I would like to WELCOME members and guests

1 _____

____ I would like to provide a DESSERT for the auction

2 _____

Dessert item: _____ (enough to serve 8)

3 _____

Please RSVP by Friday 8/19 to Cathy Krebs or Geri Derner



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.