

MIDLAND KIWANES



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President: Cathy Devendorf
Secretary: Richard Kopple
President Elect: Ralph Wirtz
Treasurer: Cheryl Whitman

Location: Valley Plaza, The Great Hall
Time: Monday Nights, 6:00 PM

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President Cathy opened the meeting at 6:35 PM.

Programs - Upcoming Meetings:

May 21: Human & Spiritual Aims (Memorial Day)
May 28: Memorial Day - NO MEETING
June 4: Camp Neyati

Committee Meetings this week: None

Committee Meetings next week: Board of Directors

Secretary's Report: None

Anniversary: None

Birthdays: Tom Madden

Guests: None

Announcements:

- **Cathy:** Let Cathy know if you will be walking in the Memorial Day Parade. It starts at 10:00 AM.
- **Cathy:** Kiwassee is having a special meeting next week. We need to let them know if anyone from our club will be attending.
- **John:** Honors Banquet went well. We expected around 300 and actually had 290. There were some last minute cancellations. Earl's daughter, Judge Sarah Lincoln did an excellent job as the featured speaker. The food and service was great but we did run out of chicken for the back tables. The staff did manage to cook up some more chicken for the hungry guests after a slight delay.
- **Kevin:** The order for Script gift cards will go in on Tuesday and Kevin should have them next week.
- **Kevin:** Rose orders should be turned in as soon as possible. Looks like we are a little short of last year's orders.
- **Donna Jo:** Daughter and son-in-law will be back in Midland for a visit in June and are selling coffee to support their mission in Guatemala. Donna Jo is taking orders for ground or whole beans, \$15/lb.
- **Cal:** Please let Cal know of any changes to the club directory. He will be working on updates.
- **Cal:** The STEM committee will again be buying roses for the teachers at Central. Any help from club members to help pay for these roses would be appreciated.
- **Earl:** Remember to feed the pink buckets on the table.

50/50: None

Happy Dollars:

- **Gil:** Happy to be back safely from a trip to Nashville last weekend.
- **Cathy:** For the Honors Banquet committee who did an outstanding job last week.
- **Cal:** Also for the fine job the Honors Banquet committee did last Monday.
- **Donna Jo:** Happy for visiting and babysitting her grand daughter in Ohio last week. Also, happy for getting help on the way for fixing the transmission on the car she was taking to her grandson.
- **Roger:** Very happy to have had a family reunion in Ohio last week. He and Martha also went to celebrate her sister's 100 birthday!
- **Randy:** For his daughter's visit for Mother's Day and for Skype sessions with his grandson.

Program: Bev Wenzel, Executive Director of The Rock.

Kevin introduced Bev Wenzel, who came to give us an overview of the ROCK youth organization.

The ROCK started in 2001 in the Bullock Creek area. Bev has been with the ROCK since 2003. It was started as an after school program for Middle School youth with 20 kids. Since then it has expanded to include High School kids and has moved the offices to the Community Center.

Vision: All youth have the opportunity to live their potential.

Mission: To build hope and resilience in youth based on a foundation of acceptance, support, and respect that results in positive life choices.

Three programs have been developed by the ROCK to support the youth of the area, ROCK Exposure (soon to be called "Discover you"), ROCK Grounded and ROCK Unplugged. About half of the Middle School and High School youth population in Midland are signed up for ROCK programs but the usual attendance in the after school programs run about 300 kids spread between three sites.

Expected outcomes:

Short term:

- Learning appropriate social skills
- Improving self-worth
- Reduce risk-taking

Community Outcome: All students become responsible adults.

There is no fee for the students to attend any ROCK program. Donations are accepted.

ROCK is currently starting a new program called “ROCK Pass” which is being developed for kids who have been suspended from school for any reason.

All ROCK coaches are volunteers, usually with no background in counseling or teaching. They are adults who want to make an impact on the life of the youth they coach. All training is provided by the ROCK.

ROCK has recently received a grant from the DC Foundation that will allow ROCK to expand to Saginaw and Bay City schools.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.