

KIWANIS CLUB OF AMES, IOWA

...SERVING THE CHILDREN OF THE WORLD



BULLETIN

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JANUARY 6TH PROGRAM

Serving the World...

We will hear an update from one of our sponsored agencies.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

January Birthdays!

5: Bob Currie	8: Bernie White	15: Marla Miller
7: Larry Zwagerman	11: Art Pohm	18: Sue Converse
8: Wally Schloerke	14: Ronnie Lindeman	30: Dean McCormick

- **NE-IA District Convention.** The mid-year convention will be held on February 4th in Council Bluffs. Registration fees are paid by our club. Ask Bill Bossenberger for details.
- **Vice-President Needed.** Incoming President, Bill Bossenberger, reminds us of a desperate need for a Vice-President to serve in the upcoming Kiwanis year.
- **Interclubs.** This Kiwanis year, we hope to attend all clubs in Division 11.
- **Lt. Governor Needed.** Division 11, of which we are a member, seeks a Lt. Governor for the 2017-2018 Kiwanis year. Contact Bill Bossenberger.
- **Programming Committee.** Please contact Geri Derner if you have ideas for a presentation at our weekly meeting.
- **Raising Readers.** Volunteer needed to deliver signed books to area locations.
- **Volunteers Needed.** Ames elementary schools seek volunteers to read questions for their Quiz Bowls. The commitment is for once each month. Contact Bill Bossenberger.
- **Volunteers Needed.** Volunteers are needed to assist with fishing contests for young children. Contact Bill Bossenberger.
- **Volunteers Needed.** Volunteers are needed to stock and maintain "free library" boxes on Ontario Road. Contact Bill Bossenberger.
- **Knickels for Kids.** We will collect at the end of this month.

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 Bill Bossenberger or Kris Meinhard for details.

PROJECT REPORTS

- **Apple Sales.** Thank you to all who participated in this annual fundraising event.
 - After expenses and including donations and bagging fees we earned \$2,447.25.
 - Top Sales: Wally Schloerke with \$714!
 - \$200+ in sales: John Core, Cynthia Gaunt, Tom McGee
 - \$150+ in sales: Bill Bossenberger, Jack Cleasby, Geri Derner, Lynell Dougherty.
 - \$100+ in sales: Ed Gillott, Ronnie Lindeman, Marla Miller, Gary Osweiler.
- **Gift Wrap.** Thank you to all who participated in this fun and profitable adventure. The preliminary report is that we earned approximately \$3,900!
- **Pancakes.** Pancake Days are scheduled for March 3-4. Lauris Olson and Bob Currie will serve as co-chairs.
 - Tickets are available. Get yours now. Sell!
 - Preliminary estimates are that our expenses will be about the same as this past year.
 - Jim Converse and others are working on options for new grills. More later.
 - It will be a close call as to whether First United Methodist Church renovations will be completed prior to March 2nd.
 - **The Medicare Challenge! Who can sell the most tickets, members on Medicare or those who are not yet on Medicare? The winners will be served desserts by those who place second.**
- **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.
 - The Board of Directors is offering a \$250 incentive for those persons wishing to become a Zeller Award Winner.
- **Miracle League.** In collaboration with Ames Parks and Recreation Department and Story County Arc, 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. Once completed, the facility would be staffed and maintained by members of Kiwanis clubs in Story County.

COMMITTEES

- **AKtion Club.** The next meeting of CCAC will be Tuesday, January 17th at the First United Methodist Church.
 - **Thank you!** Ed Gillott has served CCAC for over 10 years!
 - Ed Gillott reports that we are considering options to partner with ARC of Story County to better serve the club.
 - We need more volunteers from our club to help out at CCAC.
- **Circle K Club.** Circle K Club is on break until the spring semester.

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.

DECEMBER 30TH PROGRAM

Happy New Years!

We recalled some of our many achievements this past calendar year:

- Bike rodeo.
- Eggs at Pancake Days.
- Girl's softball tournament.
- Field trip to Hobbits Hill to see the llamas.
- Field trip to Chocolaterie Stam.
- Filling back packs for school children.
- Attending NE-IA convention.
- Collecting food from ISU to deliver to MICA, etc.
- Working at Food at First.
- Our new web site (and Don Wishart taking photographs for the club roster).
- Our newest Zeller award winners.
- Teen Maze.
- The Polar Express addition to our Gift Wrap program.
- Stocking cancer kits for children at MGMC.
- Starting the process of building a Miracle League field.

We look forward to beginning some new adventures for this upcoming calendar year:

- We want more kids at our Bike Rodeo.
- We want to welcome new members to our community.
- We want to work with potential Kiwanians in Story City.
- We want to stock and maintain our free library location.
- We want to organize an all-Kiwanis clubs food drive.
- We want to organize a joint gathering of all Kiwanians in Ames.