

# KIWANIS CLUB OF AMES, IOWA

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## BULLETIN

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### FEBRUARY 10TH PROGRAM

#### Angie Schreck and Cherie Torresi: Reggie's Sleepout

More than 1,000 people gather to sleep outside in boxes, tents, and sleeping bags during Reggie's Sleepout, raising much-needed awareness and funding to support child and youth homelessness in our communities.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Vice-President Needed!**
- **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.
- **Food at First.** Our Food at First project coordinator Dean McCormick noted that this past Monday our club's volunteers served 95 people. Dean thinks it is a record for our club.
- **In Memory.** Nancy Clark, wife of long time member John Clark, passed away this past week.
- **Membership and Attendance.** Club secretary Geri Derner announced Perfect Attendance awards for the Oct. 2015 to Sept. 2016 club year. Members recognized were:
  - 1 Year: Bud Everett, Cynthia Gaunt, Ed Gillott, Nancy Kaltenheuser
  - 4 Years: Jim Converse, Sue Converse, John Core, Art Pohm
  - 5 Years: Bill Bossenberger, Jack Cleasby, Mike Miller
  - 6 Years: Cathy Krebs, Anne Schmidt
  - 7 Years: Lynell Dougherty
  - 13 Years: Carl Anderson
  - 14 Years: Geri Derner
  - 15: Years: Steve Sapp
  - 27 Years: Ken Larson
  - 29 Years: Wally Schloerke
  - 41 Years: Gary Wade

Later this year, two of our members will receive Legion of Honor Awards. Carl Anderson will receive his for 35-years of membership. Tom McGee will be honored for 55 years.

## 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

- **Pancakes.** Pancake Days are scheduled for March 3-4. Lauris Olson and Bob Currie will serve as co-chairs. See directions for signing up for shift attached to this bulletin.
  - 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.
  - Pancake Days co-chair Lauris Olson reminded people that this past year Ames Kiwanians fell \$1100 short of our ticket sales goal. Everyone is encouraged to sell more this year. Our club could easily make this year's goal – the same as 2016's – by each member selling three more tickets than he or she did this past year. The goal for our club is \$4,500, or 750 adult tickets at \$6 each.
  - Good ways to increase your sales are: Make a list of your friends and neighbors so you do not forget some people who are likely to buy in advance. Ask people who do not plan on attending Pancake Days if they would be willing to pay for a ticket we could then donate to Food at First or Emergency Residence Project or the Salvation Army or one of several groups serving children and families in the community. You can turn in donated tickets to Lauris and she will see that the designated agencies get the tickets.
  - **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.**
  - **Club members interested in the Pancake Committee are encouraged to attend its meeting this Saturday, Feb. 11, at 8:30 a.m. at First United Methodist Church. The committee will walk through the newly remodeled kitchen and fellowship area to determine changes in work flow, grill locations, and serving line placements.**
- **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.
  - The Board of Directors purchased two Zeller Awards: One to honor Past-President Mike Miller and one to honor Sam Carstens.

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- **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.
- **Teen Maze.** Plans are underway for the 2017 Teen Maze, to be conducted April 3-7 at the Boone County Fairgrounds. Volunteers are needed for setup, the event, and tear-down. Sign-up sheets will be available soon. We will serve lunch on one of the days (perhaps either Monday or Tuesday when students from Ames will be participating). More later.

## COMMITTEES

- **AKtion Club.** The next meeting of CCAC will be Tuesday, February 21st at the First United Methodist Church.
  - 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 will hold its meetings every other Monday at 6:15pm in Room 113 East Hall. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 20th.
  - Club Sponsor Ted MacDonald reported that on January 30th several of the ISU Circle K members helped with food preparation and serving at Food at First.

## 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.

## KIWANIAN ON THE HOT SEAT

John Klaus spent 2 minutes in the hot seat. Since this was John's second time in the hot seat, he kept it short by sharing that he would be spending February visiting his son, daughter-in-law and their children.

## KIWANIANS ON THE BED PAN

- Carl Anderson is now home from the hospital and resting.
- We welcomed back Mike Miller after his multi-week absence from meetings. Mike broke his leg a few weeks ago. He was happy to announce that the cast is supposed to come off on Feb. 14, just in time to take his wife and another of our club members, Marla, out for a romantic date and three weeks before Pancake Days.

## **FEBRUARY 3RD PROGRAM Casie Vance, executive director of the Ames Historical Society.**

[Thank you to Lauris Olson for taking notes at our meeting this past week.]

Ames native and noted local historian Farwell T. Brown started the Ames Historical Society as part of his effort to save small one-room Hogget School from demolition in the 1970s. Hoggett School was originally located at Lincoln Way and Maple Street. Over the decades spanning the early and middle 1900s, the building had been moved several times before being saved by the fledging historical society. The building landed on a corner of the Meeker Elementary School building on 20<sup>th</sup> Street. Now the school hosts hundreds of visitors every summer and is a popular field trip location for many local elementary school classes during spring and fall.

The Ames Historical Society also now has found a permanent home. Between 1989 and 2004, the society was based out of three different downtown locations. In 2005, the society purchased a two-story building on the southeast corner of 5<sup>th</sup> Street and Douglas Avenue. Generous donations from the community helped the society pay the loan off in 2012. The building contains gallery space that can be converted into meeting space, research areas and workspace on the first floor. The second floor contains offices that are rented to other groups for now. Eventually, the society plans to expand and use all the space.

The society operates with three paid staff, one part-time work-study student and dozens of volunteers. Last year, those volunteers worked more than 6,000 hours. The Ames Historical Society's mission is "to share Ames' history," said Vance "But before we can share it, we have to collect it." The society's collection consists of the archives, such as the Ames Tribune's photo archives and the construction plans for 5,000 Ames buildings, and the collectibles, three-dimensional artifacts such a player piano, a fossilized bison skull and prairie seeds.

Within one week, the staff may receive research assistance for a variety of topics "We might get a request from a graduate student working on a thesis about Iowa farm women, another from a local business that wants to decorate using historic photos, a third request from a Cub scout pack and a fourth from an ISU sorority looking for the floor plans to their house they can install a sprinkler system.

More than 2,000 people visited the society during 2016. Vance said the society's website, Ameshistory.org, also contains photos of many of the society's archives and collectibles, making it "a virtual museum."

The current exhibit at the society's building is "WWII: Ames Doing Its Part." In March, the exhibit will focus on German immigrants in the Ames area.

### Guests

Deb Russell, guest of Ronnie Lindeman

## ONLINE SIGN UP FOR PANCAKE DAYS

The registration for Pancake Days volunteer shifts is now active online. To signup:

- Put [amesnoonkiwanis.org](http://amesnoonkiwanis.org) in the URL line of your web browser.
- Find the paragraph about “Volunteering for Pancake Days” in the middle of the Home Page.
- Click on the sentence about signing up.
- The Kiwanis Pancake Days Sign-Up page will appear.
  - Scroll down to the day you want to work.
  - Slots are listed by time of day. Scroll until you find the job you want to work at that time.
  - Click “Sign Up.”
  - Input your email address. Input it again to confirm it. Click “Next”
  - Input your name, phone number with area code and Kiwanis club name.
  - The program may recognize your email address. If so, it will automatically fill in your name, phone number and club’s name.
  - Click “Save.”
- A confirmation will be emailed to the email address you used for signup.