

KIWANIS CLUB OF AMES, IOWA

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BULLETIN

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MAY 5TH PROGRAM

Annual Meeting

We will elect officers and members of our Board of Directors for the 2017-2018 Kiwanis year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

May Birthdays!

7: Cory Strait

9: Bill Boon

28: V. V. Raman

- **Membership.** Wine and Cheese Membership Event. **May 9th**
 - Meet at 5:30 at the Ames Golf and Country Club.
 - Printed invitations are available from Cynthia Gaunt and Ronnie Lindeman.
 - FREE for prospective members. \$15 (or less) for members and non-prospective guests.
 - Members are encouraged to participate even if they do not bring a guest, but we want to make sure there are plenty of guests to learn about our club.
- **Officers and Board Members Needed!** Our Nomination Committee expresses serious concern that no candidates have been identified for VP and President Elect. If you are interested and willing to serve, please talk to Mike Miller, Ted MacDonald or Geri Derner. We have plenty of people willing so serve on the board, but no one has been willing to take the next step to serve as an officer in the coming years. Our club NEEDS two people to make the commitment to coordinate weekly programs (VP) and membership activity (Pres Elect). Please consider this leadership opportunity. There is no perfect time to assume this kind of responsibility, there will always be other opportunities. Practice this message, "If not me, then who? If not now, then when?"
- **Interclubs.** This Kiwanis year, we hope to attend all clubs in Division 11.
- **For Sale.** We have Kiwanis caps for sale. \$12.00. See Geri Derner.
- **Roger Lawrence.** Funeral service - Sunday, May 7 at 2:00 at Collegiate United Methodist Church.

TWO MINUTES IN THE HOTSEAT

Club member Craig Amen, a father of 4 children, is also the grandfather of 10 children! At just 47 years of age, Craig is off to a good start to supply a future generation of Kiwanians. Craig, a tax expert, works 5 days in Fort Dodge and 2 in Ames.

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

- **Project Eliminate.** Kiwanis International has joined with USAID and UNICEF to Eliminate Maternal-Neonatal Tetanus. The Board of Directors is offering a \$250 incentive for those persons wishing to become a Zeller Award Winner. Also, the NE-IA District is offering a \$625/\$625 match (see attached).
- **Bike Rodeo.** The Bike Rodeo is scheduled for 9:00am to 11:00am, Saturday, May 6th at **Meeker Elementary School** parking lot. Sign up now to volunteer. We need help on Friday afternoon to set up the course. See John Core for details.
- **Kiwanis Scholarships.** We received 19 applications for our scholarships, about evenly divided between students attending Gilbert and Ames high schools. More later.
- **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.
- **Amazon.Smile.** When you purchase through Amazon, login through smile.amazon.com , designate the Kiwanis Club of Ames Foundation as your benefit organization, and purchase as usual with no extra charges. Part of your purchase price (.5%) goes to our club!
- **Little Free Library.** The Little Free Library for west Ames is completed. It is located in Patio Park, just off of Idaho Ave. Visit it and donate some books.
- **Medicare Challenge.** It's a draw. Everyone will be served cake to congratulate ourselves on a successful Kiwanis Pancake Days.

MAKEUP ATTENDANCE

Kiwanis International has expanded their definition of a make up for missing a regular meeting: Contact Geri Derner for details.

APRIL 28TH PROGRAM

Circle K at Iowa State University

Members of the ISU Circle K Club will updated us on their activities during this past academic year. President Tia Carter and new Treasurer Courtney Berginger stated that, with just 12 members, the club nevertheless participated in 90 volunteer hours at 10 different events. The recent C5K event hosted 75 runners and donated \$700 to Project Eliminate. This past fall, Circle K members raked leaves at 6 houses, raising funds for their club. Club members volunteered at Food @ First, Crop Walk, and Kiwanis Pancake Days. The sang Christmas carols at NorthCrest Community Center, made blankets for Project Linus, and collected money for UNICEF on Halloween. Circle K offers ISU students the opportunity to serve children in Ames. Circle K members participate in district events, having initiated some changes to the constitution of CK International when attending the District Convention this past fall. Lots of energy and lots of wonderful young persons in ISU Circle K Club!

GUESTS

Alli Sauer, guest of Jerry Chase

Sarah Mowery, guest of Lynell Dougherty

Floramay Miller, guest of Steve Miller

INVOCATION

Jerry Chase is asking for volunteers to give invocations at our weekly meetings. See Jerry.

COMMITTEES

- **AKtion Club.** The next meeting of CCAC will be Tuesday, May 9th 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 rom our club to help out at CCAC.
- **Circle K Club.** Circle K is adjourned until fall 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.

KIWANIANS IN ACTION



We sponsored 9 members of the Ames FIRST Lego League to attend District Championships.



Left to right are Kiwanian Steve Sapp (Circle K advisor), Circle K members Tia Carter and Courtney Beringer, and Circle K advisor Ted MacDonald. The Circle K chapter was awarded a \$750 check from Ames Noon Kiwanis.

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We participated in the Kiwanis All City Food Drive.





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**See below for the
contribution form!**

**Support a worthy cause
Eliminate Opportunity**

We appreciate everyone's continuing support of our effort to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus. We still have a way to go with fund raising in the Nebraska-Iowa District. Because of a generous donation, we are again in a position to offer a match for up to 40 Zellers. Mother's Day Zellers will again be available in May if you would like to honor someone. Regular Zellers continue to be available as well. The matches will be available on a first come-first served basis. Send your check made out to the Kiwanis Children's Fund for \$625 to Lenora and Milford Hanna at 5835 S 91st St, Lincoln NE 68526; please include your email and cell phone number. Again, we appreciate your support of the Eliminate Project. Your \$625 donation will protect 347 mothers, and their future babies from the excruciating pain, and death, due to tetanus. The match will protect another 347 mothers.



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