

KIWANIS CLUB OF AMES, IOWA

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BULLETIN

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MAY 12TH PROGRAM

Liz Garst: Story County Community Foundation

We will hear an update on the organization through which we have invested some of the funds from our club foundation

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **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.
- **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.
- **Food at First.** May has a fifth Monday. Stay tuned for opportunities to sign up for volunteering at Food at First.
- **Camp OK.** Our club is sponsoring one 5th grader to attend Camp OK, a very high quality leadership training program sponsored by Kiwanis International. Thanks to generous donations from current and former club members, we sponsor two additional campers on endowments. These endowments were funded by Gene Hempstead and by Wally and Jan Schloerke.
- **City Wide Food Drive.** The Kiwanis city wide food drive was very successful. Sixteen members of our club volunteered 36 hours. Our club filled a HERTA bus, a Food at First van, and two pickup trucks worth of food. We raised \$1,671.18 in cash donations.
- **Welcome!** We officially welcomed two new members. Deb Russell, sponsored by Ronnie Lindeman, has been in Kiwanis and is happy to be able to continue her membership in the organization. Steve Miller, sponsored by his daughter, club member Maeann Unser, has been Kiwanis for 30 years. Maeann donated her sponsorship mug to dad, which built his very large collection of mugs. He did not have a Sponge-Bob Square Pants mug; so, he was happy to accept one from President Bill Bossenberger. Welcome new members!

TWO MINUTES IN THE HOTSEAT

Club member Steve Jones, hails from Marshalltown, IA. He and his wife, Diane, are the parents of three sons. Steve and Diane have four grandchildren, with two more on the way. Steve must enjoy coming to meetings; with the unusual end-of-semester traffic, it took him 20 minutes to drive across town to join us!

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 took place this past Saturday, May 6th at Meeker Elementary School parking lot. We will hear about how it turned out at this week's meeting.
- **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.

MAKEUP ATTENDANCE

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

MAY 5TH PROGRAM

Annual Meeting

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

Officers

President: Cynthia Gaunt

Past President: Bill Bossenberger

Treasurer: Kris Meinhard

Secretary: Geri Derner

Board of Directors

Jim Converse

Lynell Dougherty

Marla Miller

Gary Osweiler

Maeann Unser

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 16th 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 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



Two new members joined Ames Noon Kiwanis on May 5; Deb Russell and Stephen Miller. Left to right are Noon Kiwanis President Bill Bossenberger, new members Russell and Miller, and Kiwanis member Maeann Unser, Miller's daughter.



New Noon Kiwanis member Stephen Miller shows off his new Kiwanis mug, which was presented by club president Bill Bossenberger. Miller will add it to his collection of some 300 mugs.