

# KIWANIS CLUB OF AMES, IOWA

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## BULLETIN

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### JUNE 16TH PROGRAM

#### Road Trip: Wheatsfield Grocery Tour

Meet at our regular time, but at Wheatsfield. We will learn about some important and terrific updates to this popular food cooperative.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Free Little Library.** The Kiwanis-sponsored little library in Patio Park is full. No more books are needed at this time. The library looks great; stop by to see it sometime (entrance is from the north end of Idaho Avenue) .
- **Like Us, Friend Us.** Maeann Unser and Doug Meinhard have redesigned our page on Facebook. The address is: Ames Noon Kiwanis. Please visit it and BOTH Like it and Friend it. Send photographs of our events to either Maeann or Doug to post.
- **Interclubs.** This Kiwanis year, we hope to attend all clubs in Division 11. Welcome back, Larry Zwagerman!
- **For Sale.** We have Kiwanis caps for sale. \$10.00. See Geri Derner.
- **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.
- **Resignation.** Our Board of Directors accepted the resignation of John Klaus.
- **Fourth of July Volunteering.** The City of Ames requests our assistance in serving free pancakes at the annual Fourth of July festivities. Meet on the east side of City Hall at 7:30.
- **Ram-Page Sale.** The City of Ames requests our assistance with their rummage (Rampage?) sale. July 28-August 2. Contact Bill Bossenberger for more details.
- **Yard Signs.** Jim Converse reports that our project to use yard signs is well underway. He asks for 3-4 volunteers to help with this project to better promote our club. Please say "Yes" if Jim asks you for help.
- **New Pancake Griddles.** Jim Converse reports that our new pancake griddles have arrived. He asks for 3-4 volunteers to help him convert the griddles to use natural gas. Please say "Yes" if Jim asks you for help.

## TWO MINUTES IN THE HOTSEAT

Tom Randall, for 35 years, has greatly enjoyed and benefited from being a Kiwanian. He enjoys the hands-on experiences and the emphasis upon children. Talk with Tom for just two minutes and you will know what we mean when we say that "Kiwanis" is a verb. Tom reflected upon his days playing in the NFL. He was considering playing a fourth year, when he thought better of it for his long term health; great choice, Tom!

## 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.
- **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](https://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!

## MAKEUP ATTENDANCE

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

## JUNE 9TH PROGRAM

### **Bill Boon: What has been the biggest change that ever occurred in human history?**

Bill introduced his topic by asking us several intriguing questions: How are children different today than from when you were a child? In what way is housing different today than from when you were a child? In what way are cars different today than from when you were a child? In what way are clothes different today than from when you were a child? We discussed each question among others at our luncheon table and enjoyed sharing our thoughts with the club. Bill emphasized the importance of creativity, particularly as this trait is a learned one. We must train ourselves to think about life and its opportunities and challenges from several complementary/opposing directions. Bill, during his days as an instructor at ISU, taught a course on creativity. He persuaded, pleaded, and even tricked his students into thinking in a creative manner. And if these approaches did not work, he stood on top of the desk in class to get their attention (bet it did, too!). The class had no formal tests beyond exploring your own horizons and then moving beyond them.

## GUESTS

Randy Griffen, of Town & Country Kiwanis, attended. No particular purpose except to have fun.

## COMMITTEES

- **AKtion Club.** The next meeting of CCAC will be at 3:30pm, Tuesday, June 20th, at First United Methodist Church.
- **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](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.

## THANK YOU!

When Steve Sapp cannot make it to a weekly meeting, then Geri Derner, Lauris Olson, and Gary Wade take notes for him. Please say, "Thank you!"

## KIWANIANS IN ACTION

Bill Boon helped us better understand change and creativity.

