

KIWANIS CLUB OF AMES, IOWA

...SERVING THE CHILDREN OF THE WORLD



BULLETIN

Steve Sapp, Editor

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THE MEETING THIS WEEK WILL BE HELD AT THE YSS ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 420 KELLOGG

JULY 14TH PROGRAM

April Ranck: YSS Programs on Healthy Futures and Stork's Nest

The Healthy Futures program is a voluntary home visitation program offered to every Story County woman who is pregnant. In-home visits provide support, information on parenting, child development, and links to community resources. The Story County Stork's Nest is an incentive program with the goal of improving the overall health of pregnant women and their babies.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Food at First.** July has a fifth Monday. Please sign up for shifts for July 31st.
- **Interclubs.** This Kiwanis year, we hope to attend all clubs in Division 11.
- **Iowa Games Volunteering.** During the final three weeks of July thousands of athletes will come to Ames to compete. The Games needs volunteers. Contact Bill Bossenberger.
- **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.
- **Summer Social.** Mark Saturday, August 12th on your calendar. See attached flyer.
- **Aluminum.** Bud Everett reminds us to pull the tabs off our cans at the meetings and he will collect them for Ronald McDonald House. We can recycle the aluminum in the tab, and the can is still worth a nickel for the deposit!
- **Free Little Library.** Our Little Free Library appears to be popular. Maeann reports there is a new selection of books every time she checks on it and notes quite a variety of titles. She will be collecting a few books at meetings to help keep it stocked.
- **July 4th.** Jerry Chase, Paul Domoto, Doug Meinhard, and Kris Meinhard helped serve our community at the Ames July 4th pancake breakfast. Thank you!

NE-IA DISTRICT CONVENTION

The Nebraska-Iowa Kiwanis District is an organization of 179 individual clubs, divided into 6 Regions, made up of 24 divisions that encompass the majority of these two states. There are approximately 5,400 Kiwanis members working toward the goal of "Helping the Young Children of the World."

- Coralville, IA
- August 4-6
- On-line registration ends July 26

TWO MINUTES IN THE HOTSEAT

At the invitation of Gene Dougherty and Fred Bunce, Tim Tryon joined our club in 1995. His hometown is Lake City, IA, which has everything but a lake! Tim has been in banking for 27 years. He and Kim recently celebrated their 25th anniversary and have three children: A graduate from UNI, a junior at UNI, and one in high school.

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. 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, 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.

WELCOME!

We welcome two new members: Darla Ewalt and Sarah Mowery. We look forward to learning more about our new members in coming weeks.

JULY 7TH PROGRAM

Jeff Kopaska and Ryan Smalley: Ames Girls Softball Association

AGSA is a nonprofit organization that supports fast pitch softball in the Ames area for girls ages 4 and up at various skill levels. Except for the AHS team, AGSA offers the only opportunity in Ames for girls and women to play softball. Recently, they hired a new director—Stacy Sussler—who is making great strides in improving the program. AGSA offers four leagues and serves approximately 2,200 players. They rely upon volunteers to supplement paid umpires and have strong ties to the programs at AHS and ISU. They are able to keep fees low due to donations such as ours. That's right; we sponsor a team: The Purple Panthers! Team members taught us that: a) you cannot win alone, b) it's all about fun; not the score, c) it is important to learn skills, d) help your team; cheer them on, e) learn how to play the game the right way.

GUESTS

Olivia Smalley, Sydney Smalley, Alexa Kopaska, Cassie Kopaska, Bri Kopaska.

COMMITTEES

- **AKtion Club.** The next meeting of CCAC will be at 3:30pm, Tuesday, July 18th, 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.
- **Facebook.** 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.
- <https://www.facebook.com/amesnoonkiwanisclub/>
- **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!"

AMES GIRLS SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION



Ames Noon Kiwanis presented a \$600 check to the Purple Pantheres, the softball team that club sponsors. The team is part of the Ames Girls' Softball Association. In response, the team presented Noon Kiwanis with a recognition plaque with the team photo. The Kiwanis grant will help reduce costs for players and team activities. Left to right are Noon Kiwanis president Bill Bossenberger, Cassie Kopaska, Brianna Kopaska, coaches Ryan Smalley and Jeff Kopaska, Sydney Smalley, Alexa Kopaska, and Olivia Smalley.



ROLL THE DICE AND BET ON HAVING SOME FUN!

**DEAL YOURSELF IN TO THE AMES NOON KIWANIS
ANNUAL SUMMER PICNIC!**

SAVE THE DATE:

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12TH 5:30PM

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FOOD, GAMES, AND FUN