

KIWANIS CLUB OF AMES, IOWA

...SERVING THE CHILDREN OF THE WORLD



BULLETIN

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THE MEETING THIS WEEK WILL RETURN TO THE AMES GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB

JULY 21ST PROGRAM

Tim Tryon: Scholarship Committee: Meet Our Award Winners!

Competition is fierce for our college scholarship funds. Meet the outstanding young persons who have served their communities with distinction.

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.
- **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. The library is low on books; stay tuned for a request to make more donations.

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

Bob Currie enjoys spending time with 2 grandchildren and looks forward to one more coming in December. His hobby is muscle cars. He owns a 1968 Oldsmobile 442 and a 1970 Olds Cutlass. He was invited to join Kiwanis by Dean McCormick. He enjoys the hands-on projects to help youth in the community.

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.
 - Lunch Box Auction: Leftovers from our road trip raised \$125 at auction!
 - Ethiopia is certified MNT free!
- **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.

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. Some facts about the Healthy Futures Program:

- it provides 1:1 support for families at risk with children up to age 5
- the average length of time in the program is 20 months
- the program is available to parents in Story or Boone County who meet income guidelines
- the core of the program is pre/post-natal home visit services
- the program conducts maternal depression screening and home safety checklist
- the outcome of parent education relates to prevention of child abuse
- In FY17, Healthy Futures served 62 families and 87 children with just 3 staff

The Story County Stork's Nest is an incentive program with the goal of improving the overall health of pregnant women and their babies. Some facts about the Stork's Nest Program:

- it focuses on increasing healthy behavior to improve health of pregnant women and their children
- it serves pregnant women in Story county who meet income guidelines
- women can enroll at any point in pregnancy and remain in the program until their child is 18 months old
- the core of the program is education
- parents earn "points" for participating in education classes and other positive activities (doctor appointments, immunizations, well-baby checks, etc.
- points can be "spent" in the Stork's nest Store for diapers, strollers, clothes and other new baby items
- outcomes include improved social support and increased knowledge of child development
- In FY17, the program served 69 families and 101 children with only 3 staff.

COMMITTEES

- **AKtion Club.** The next meeting of CCAC will be at 3:30pm, Tuesday, August 1st, at First United Methodist Church.
- **Circle K Club.** Circle K is adjourned until fall semester.

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!"

UPDATES FROM OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- approved 2 new members: Darla Ewalt sponsored by Cynthia Gaunt and Sarah Mowery sponsored by Lynell Dougherty.
- GICU awarded staff grant for \$500 for Gift Wrap project thanks to Cathy Krebs
- Jack Cleasby made a contribution to our Kiwanis foundation
- Fundraising opportunity at apple orchard in Cambridge. Sign up 3-5 people at a time for 3 or 4 hour shifts on Saturdays and Sundays in September and October. Pay is \$9/hour. Work includes tractor driver, food service, train, admissions and parking. We will work on sign up sheet for those interested.
- Reminder that if you volunteer for City of Ames Rampage, please sign up as Kiwanian and we get portion of profits.

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.



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