

KIWANIS KAPERS

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Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time

Holiday events are all set

The Noon and Sunset Kiwanis clubs will get together Friday, Dec. 19, for a holiday potluck social.

Festivities kick off at 6 p.m. at the Kiwanis clubhouse.

Noon President Al Roselieb says all members should start planning their holiday dishes now and marking their calendars. It's a busy time of the year, but if you can make it, please try to bring a dish and participate in this joint activity.

In addition, the Sunset Club has invited our members to attend their holiday dinner/meeting on Tuesday evening, Dec. 16, starting at 6:30 p.m. at the clubhouse.

There will be turkey and all the trimmings — and no costs involved. We are asked to bring a white elephant gift as well as baby food and diapers to help out local families in a holiday project they are coordinating.

Let President AI know this week if you wish to attend the Sunset holiday dinner or e-mail him at aroselieb@cox.net.



Festive festival

Our club makes money for SLPs, other projects

We fell slightly short of our projected budget amount, but the Noon Kiwanis Club still made approximately \$6500 at the recent Fountain Festival.

Other non-profit organizations participating in the annual festival reported reduced sales as well when compared to recent years. Many of them were located in a new "food court" created by the Chamber of Commerce on Paul Nordin Parkway, and there was a mostly negative reaction to the court, but it looks as if it is here to stay.

Our booth location will likely remain unaffected for the February Great Fair — since construction will have started on re-doing Saguaro Blvd. — but changes could be coming down the road with perhaps a second food court being created on Saguaro Blvd. at the Avenue. Regardless, changes to the curbing and medians at that intersection will force some future changes for our booth and adjoining vendors in that area.

The club's new menu item of chicken tenders continues to be well received, however, and thanks to club President Al Roselieb for contributing some of the cost toward purchasing a new and reliable deep fryer for the chicken.

Club officials are always looking to improve our operations at the two large fairs.



Kiwanian John Rosenquist hands out a bottle of water.

Members should be aware that the two major arts fairs constitute the club's biggest fundraisers for the year. Funds are used to help with the club's Service Leadership Programs — K-Kids, Builders Club and Aktion Club — as well as assisting with other community service projects and programs. Many of the grants handed out in the springtime and early summer also are funded with these proceeds.

The next fundraiser coming up will be the Super Bowl Sunday Pancake Breakfast, proceeds from which are earmarked for Maternal Neonatal Tetanus (MNT), the Kiwanis International worldwide service project in which \$110 million is being raised to eliminate tetanus from around the world.

J.W. Clarkson gets some chicken tenders ready.



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A WORD FROM PRESIDENT AL ROSELIEB

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY HANUKKAH!

Fellow Kiwanians:

Quoting our new Kiwanis International President, **John Button**: "As we mark 100 years, 2014-2015 will be a year to celebrate our members who have made this milestone possible. The party will begin with a celebration-themed Rose Parade float and continue with a number of stops around the Kiwanis world...Join me this year as we complete our promise to eliminate MNT, strengthen our membership, expand our reach and celebrate Kiwanis like never before as together we travel The Way Ahead." I would add to that, as we celebrate our 40th Anniversary as a Noon Club, we also will honor our charter members and past presidents at a gala luncheon meeting on Thursday, February 19, 2015 - mark your calendars!

We welcome new members **Bill Luzinski** and **Ken Brown** and thank their sponsors, **Paul Appeldorn** and **Jerry Miles**. Keep up the great work, Noon Kiwanians! You are doing a fantastic job with "Each One Reach One!" Thanks to all Kiwanians (and spouses) who helped with our Fountain Festival of Arts and Crafts. I especially want to thank **Mike Scharnow** and **Bill Jaeger** for their outstanding time and efforts to ensure things ran smoothly and the rest of us could take pleasure in our accomplishments during our assigned shifts! Our next big fund raising goal will be the Eliminate Pancake Breakfast on Super Bowl Sunday - February 1, 2015.

Our board approved a new informational/motivational tool for our Noon Club which we will be facilitating during the December and January meetings, the "Member Interest Form." Our board members will be assisting members in filling out this form, which will provide our members the opportunity to both learn about the tremendous variety of service opportunities available as well as provide our leadership with a starting point to recruit interested workers for both fund-raisers and outreach projects and programs in the future. Thanks in advance for your cooperation and participation! Looking forward to "Breakfast with Santa" - ho, ho, ho! Have a wonderful holiday season. Peace to all!

IT'S GREAT WHEN <u>YOU</u> PARTICIPATE!



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Saving lives

Community blood drive nets 155 units right before Thanksgiving holiday

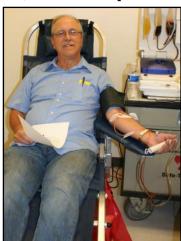
Spoiler alert!

The Noon Kiwanis Club once again has earned the coveted Hero Award, given out by United Blood Services for outstanding blood drive results. Kudos to our two outstanding community blood drive coordinators, Dr. Liz Smith and Paul Appeldorn, for achieving this annual award once again. Additional details will be released in February after the award is given out by UBS to blood drive coordinators from around the state.

One of the reasons we received the Hero Award is because of a gigantic community effort to bring donors to the Fountain Hills Community Center — space generously donated by the Town of Fountain Hills — to give blood. An amazing 155 units of blood was collected during the two-day November community blood drive. These units are desperately needed by hospitals this time of year as the number of winter visitors increases and demand rises as the holidays approach.

A special recognition to UBS for increasing the number of personnel at the blood drive and shortening the hours of operations, making the drive more efficient. Sofrita and Redendo's once again donated spinach salads, while Little Caesars donated pizza for the UBS employees.

Mark your calendars as the next blood drive is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, Jan. 23-24, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.



Jerry Comeau donating blood during the drive...



UBS personnel with Ed Cohen and John Rosenquist at the blood drive.



Betty Pantuso, center, and Gary Oakeson also took turns manning the check-in booth during the community blood drive.



Practicing what she preaches, blood drive co-coordinator Dr. Liz Smith takes a few moments for her busy day to donate blood. A total of 155 units were collected to help save numerous lives.

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Aktion Club & festival

The Fountain Hills Noon Kiwanis and STARS Aktion Club has been stepping it up lately, participating in various service projects and helping us at the Fountain Festival.

The Aktion Club, consisting of challenged young adults from Scottsdale Training and Rehabilitation Services, has logged several trips in the past two months to Extended Hands Food Bank, helping with the operations of that facility in Fountain Hills.

Especially at this time of year, Extended Hands becomes busier and handles more clients. The Aktion Club has stepped up to help with marking food bound for sorting and eventual food boxes. The facility is fairly close to STARS, and Fridays have proven to be excellent days for these service projects lasting a few hours.

A formidable STARS Aktion Club crew also traveled to Fountain Hills to help our club at its food booth during the Fountain Festival, led by the amazing Jackie, a staffer at STARS. Aktion Club members loved handing out beverages, running orders and helping with pretzels and nachos. Of course, the best part was partaking in breakfast and lunch offerings by the club! Aktion Club members have embraced the spirit of Kiwanis and fully understand the concept of raising money to help others as well as participating in hands-on service projects to make the world a better place.

Aktion Club meetings are always lively, as members talk about the projects just done and plan ahead for future projects. Their enthusiasm is infectious. Talk to Aktion Club advisor Charlie Fox if you're interested in participating in any of the club's meetings or activities.



Aktion Club members help mark foodstuffs at Extended Hands Food Bank along with advisors Charlie Fox and Rick Hopwood.







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A message from Southwest District Governor Joe DeBlasi

My 2014-15 Southwest District theme is "Try Something Different." My wish is to keep the momentum of the past year that Governor Windy and her team have paved the way for us.

We have all the tools in place for growth and building stronger clubs. Keep in mind every day The Formula's message: "Live it. Love it. Share it." Be proud of your club. Wear a Kiwanis shirt or hat one day a week. You will be surprised how many people will stop and ask you, "What is Kiwanis?," which should lead you into our one-minute speech "Do you like working with children?"

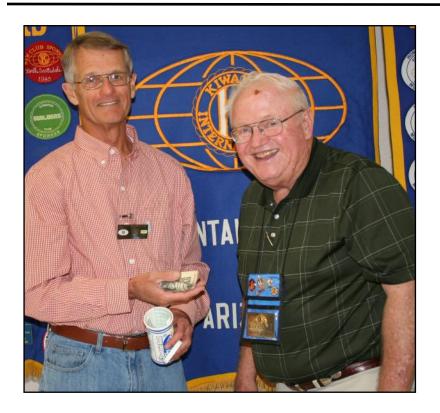


October 26 was Make a Difference day, but for us Kiwanians every day we make a difference. In the September issue of the Kiwanis Southwest, there is a great article about the Bullhead City splash park and all the work and dedication needed plus raising over \$200,000. I had the privilege to attend their morning meeting, which was held in the park and plans were finalized. Thank you Bullhead City Kiwanis!

We need to invite more women to join Kiwanis. There is nothing more precious to a woman than a sick baby and reading to school children. Both are strong selling points to prospective members. Women make up 52 percent of the population and only 23 percent of Kiwanis. What better attraction to recruiting women than babies and reading? Invite the spouses. Most help on our projects anyhow. So, why not? I encourage two-year terms and orientation, retention, and education. Let's get off to a great start to help celebrate 100 years of community service.

Yours in Kiwanis service,

Governor Joe



KOLLECTING KANS

As you should know by now, our club is in the business of collecting kans — aluminum kans of all sizes and beverages. Kiwanian Paul Appeldorn, far left, has been doing this for many years as one more way to give back to his fellow

Proceeds from the kan money have traditionally gone to purchase new items, such as shoes, for the poor children in Nogales, Sonora, Mexico. Our club coordinates a Kiwanis Across the Border project with the Santa Cruz Kiwanis Club in Nogales, Ariz. to help needy families. The project culminates with a "fiesta" in Nogales to celebrate with the families and give out food, toys, gifts and other items.

Sadly, the Kan Man reports that donations of kans are on the decrease. At left, the Kan Man turns over \$287 in kan money to club President Al Roselieb, which is less than last year's amount. So the Kan Man challenged his fellow Kiwanians to set a New Year's resolution — DRINK MORE!

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Getting to know each other

Mystery persons at our meetings

Brice Moorman

Our mystery person was born in Boulder, CO and attended schools in Loveland, CO. He attended Metropolitan State College in CO and majored in accounting. After college he worked as an accountant for Jacobs Division for 3 years then became involved with computer programming and software design. After 5 more years he began to specialize in HR Sys-



tems, specifically designing and integrating human resources and payroll software systems. He married his wife, Joanne, in 1995 and they moved to Fountain Hills, AZ in 1999. As a computer programmer, he was employed by LMG Data Mining, a start-up company dealing specifically with hotel database marketing for the next 13 years. His wife was also an accountant and their families reside in CO and MN.

He retired last year in June, and Paul Appeldorn became his sponsor when he joined our club in October of this year. We heartily welcome Brice Moorman to our club and he is already getting involved in our outreach and fund-raising projects!

Brenda Scharnow

Our mystery person played volleyball in high school and loves to cook and to dance with her husband. She has traveled a lot and spent three months in Massachusetts helping a 92-year-old man manage a Bed and Breakfast. Her college major was business. When she was younger she participated in a group of 18- to 30-year-olds who met in London and traveled to Europe for 21 days. She



has also had the opportunity to take cooking and sewing classes.

She has two sisters and two brothers and married her husband in 2004. Her sisters live in Mexico where she was born and raised, and her brothers and mother live right here in Arizona. She is a fantastic inside server at our fairs and she also enjoys riding on a motorcycle with her husband, Mike! For the past 18 years she has been employed by Bank of America and is presently the Assistant Manager at the banking center in Fountain Hills. Yes, please let me introduce our own Brenda Scharnow!

It pays to play



The lotto pot has been growing steadily the past few months, but Tom Campbell took care of that at the last meeting when he drew the Ace of Spades, earning him a nice jackpot of \$192. The prize comes just in time before the busy Christmas shopping season....



Better late than never, at least when it comes to handing out plaques and such. Al Roselieb, club president for the 2014-15 year, recently presented an appreciation plaque to Mike Scharnow for his service as club president during the 2013-14 year. The plaque was not ready for presentation at the annual awards banquet, and various trips by the two guys during October delayed the presentation until the first meeting in November.

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Upcoming Calendar of Events

December 2 Aktion Club meeting at STARS

December 4 Luncheon meeting; then FHHS chorus at Comm. Ctr.

December 6 Breakfast with Santa

December 11 NO MEETING

December 16 Aktion Club meeting at STARS; Sunset K dinner

December 18 Luncheon meeting; Larry Heitz of Tumbleweed

December 19 Holiday social with Sunset Kiwanis (6 p.m.)

December 25 NO MEETING; Merry Christmas!

December 30 Adopt-A-Street litter patrol; 7:30 a.m. at Saguaro, Malta

Each One Reach One!



Ken Brown, sponsored by Jerry Miles, and Bill Luzinski, sponsored by Paul Appeldorn, are the newest members of the Noon Kiwanis Club. Ken is a pastor at the Presbyterian Church, while Bill sought another volunteer opportunity after 'retiring' from the Fountain Hills Sheriff's Posse. A big welcome to them both!

Marty Goodwin, center at right, joined the Noon Kiwanis Club in early October. He was sponsored by Phyllis Horan and welcomed by club President Al Roselieb. Marty has already been involved with several service projects, including visiting the Ronald McDonald house a couple of times, and he worked two shifts on the grill at the Fountain Festival. Thanks, and welcome, Marty! President Al encourages each member to invite someone into Kiwanis. His goal is to induct 20 new members this Kiwanis year. We are well on our way....