Kollecting Kans and Litter

There are about 100 volunteer activities on his list, but two of the things performed by Noon Kiwanian Paul Appeldorn include Adopt-A-Street and Kiwanis Kans.

The next street cleaning opportunity for members comes Tuesday, February 17. It is the week of the Great Fair, so we want to have Saguaro Blvd. and a portion of La Montana looking their best for the 200,000 visitors (or perhaps 300,000 according to the Chamber of Commerce).

Those interested are asked to meet at Saguaro Blvd. and Malta at 7:30 that morning. If you would like to try this, an extensive training session is offered by Paul.

Mr. Appeldorn also has taken upon himself to collect aluminum kans throughout the year to benefit our Kiwanis Across the Border project.

Mr. Kan Man recently hauled down his first load of kans for the new season. The first delivery netted $101.20 for the international border project.

Did you know that on the average Americans recycle two out of every three aluminum kans they use? Well, now you know.

Mr. Kan Man’s goal is to get all three of those kans. Drink up and bring ‘em in!

Making history

Club to celebrate 40 years of faithful service

The Kiwanis Club of Fountain Hills was the first service club formed in this community four decades ago.

That tradition of dedicated community service has continued through the decades since the club was chartered in 1975.

While Kiwanis International celebrates its 100th anniversary this year, our club is throwing its own birthday celebration as we mark 40 years.

Our luncheon on Thursday, Feb. 19, will be designated as a special “presidents day” and honor all the past club presidents who are still with us. In addition, there are at least two charter members who were around in 1975 and have been invited to the special luncheon (you’ll have to attend to see who they are).

“The Noon Kiwanis Club has been integral to the history and development of Fountain Hills,” said currently club President Al Roselieb.

“Our club has probably been responsible for donating hundreds of thousands of dollars back into the community in the form of grants, scholarships and other financial contributions to many local causes, individuals and organizations.

“And that doesn’t even count the contributions to Kiwanis causes since 1975.”

Through service leadership programs such as K-Kids and Builders Club, our sponsoring Noon Kiwanis Club has touched hundreds of young lives over the decades by demonstrating to them such qualities as community service, reaching out to others and helping promote their leadership skills.

And with the recent addition of an Aktion Club to the Fountain Hills fold, now special needs adults in cooperation with Scottsdale Training and Rehabilitation Services are discovering what Kiwanis is all about and how we can all fulfill the Kiwanis International motto of “serving the children of the world.”

Besides financial contributions over the decades, the Noon Kiwanis Club continues to change and strengthen its growing reputation as a hands-on service club, giving members many opportunities to get involved with children, helping needy families and providing all kinds of outreach efforts.

“I invite everyone to join us on this special day,” Roselieb said. “February 19th will be a special luncheon and celebration. It will be good to hear from various presidents about the highlights from their terms. Our club has achieved tremendous things through the years, and now we will be able to celebrate our many accomplishments.

“None of it would have been possible without the commitment and dedication of hundreds of Fountain Hills people over the decades who took time to make a difference with Noon Kiwanis. Our club has much to be proud of!”
Fellow Kiwanians:

Join us on Thursday, February 19, 2015 as we celebrate the 40th birthday of our Noon Kiwanis Club. We have invited a few remaining charter members and many of our past presidents to celebrate with us at our anniversary luncheon at the Sunset Kiwanis Clubhouse, beginning at 11:45 a.m. Carol Gregory is preparing a delicious meal for all of us to enjoy! Did you know that our Noon Club was chartered at a banquet held at the Scottsdale Hilton on Saturday evening, February 22, 1975? Our sponsoring club was the Valley of the Sun Kiwanis Club of Phoenix. The first club president was Leo Lanzon and two of the original 43 charter members were Jerry Comeau’s brother, Bernard Comeau, and our own Earl Stavely.

Of course, in addition we are celebrating Kiwanis International’s 100th birthday this year. Started as a club for men to promote business net-working on January 1, 1915 in Detroit, Michigan, the original name was Nunc kee-wanis (meaning “We have a good time” or “We trade” or “We advertise”). Later, Nunc was dropped and later still, it became just Kiwanis. In 1919 they changed into a club to help the poor instead of promoting business. In 1962, they became an international organization and admitted women in 1987 (thank goodness!). Our Kiwanis organization has moved through the years from “WE BUILD” to “CHANGING THE WORLD, ONE CHILD AND ONE COMMUNITY AT A TIME!”

Quoting from KI, “As our 100th birthday approaches we want to thank all of you who have made birthdays possible for children across the globe. Because of your generosity, vaccines have reached the women who need them — saving and protecting lives around the world. Maternal and neonatal tetanus is heartbreaking! Each day, 134 babies die from this painful disease. But with your continued support we can prevent MNT. In fact, we can make history. We can eliminate this disease from the face of the Earth. Help keep kids’ birthdays coming!”

Thanks to all of our Noon Club members for your tremendous support of our Super Bowl Pancake Breakfast! You might even convert some of your pocket change you keep collecting into a nice $$$ gift to Eliminate. Betty Pantuso would be delighted to receive your donation! Let’s have a great GREAT FAIR!

**IT’S GREAT WHEN Y’ALL PARTICIPATE!**

**ELIMINATE**
maternal/neonatal tetanus

**Kiwanis | unicef**

**THE FORMULA**

**LOVE IT. SHARE IT. LIVE IT.**
Fountain Hills Noon Kiwanis joins three other Kiwanis clubs in scheduling dinners at the Roanoke Ronald McDonald House through 2015.

Others participating include Downtown Scottsdale Young Professionals, Scottsdale McCormick Ranch and Dream Catchers, the unique Kiwanis motorcycle club based out of Payson but includes riders from throughout the state.

The clubs were asked to selected various dates from among Sunday evenings throughout the remainder of the year.

Dates selected by Noon Kiwanis Club include March 8, May 3, July 12, September 13 and November 1. No doubt assistance could be given to DSYP and the Dream Catchers if Noon Kiwanians wanted to pitch in further on other dates.

Deacon John Les Callett was asked by club President Al Roselieb to chair this effort and coordinate the upcoming dinners on behalf of the Fountain Hills club.

There are other ways to help out Ronald McDonald House. Items can be donated and then delivered at dinner time by those visiting the facility. Some suggestions include:

**Liquid hand soap**
**Dish soap**
**Dow Scrubbing Bubbles**
**Laundry soap**
**Pillows and pillow protectors**
**Mattress pads (queen)**
**Toilet plungers, toilet scrubbers**
**Movie theater passes**
**Tickets to sporting events**
**Mops, brooms, dust pans**
**Shower liners (clear)**
**Disinfectant wipes**
**Windex**
**Trash bags — all sizes**
**AA batteries**
A Fountain Hills contingent once again traveled to Nogales, Mexico to participate in the club’s annual “Kiwanis Across the Border” project.

Club President Al Roselieb along with Paul Appeldorn, Keith and Penny Junk and Mike Scharnow traveled Jan. 10 to Nogales, Ariz. to meet Pepe Wise of the Santa Cruz Kiwanis Club. Pepe and his wife Ramona are the prime forces behind the annual Three Kings Day celebration, in which many impoverished families from Nogales are treated to a giant party.

Our club donated $1,000 toward the effort, which included all the “kan” money collected during the year by Paul “Kan Man” Appeldorn. The families were treated to songs, lunch, sweet treats, beverages, used clothing and brand new gifts of toys and other goodies. The “whacking” of the candy-filled piñata is an annual highlight as well.

The Fountain Hills contingent was treated to a home-cooked meal after the party to thank them for their efforts.

“The families were so appreciative of our assistance and the children were so well behaved,” Roselieb said. “There were probably close to 150 children present in the small neighborhood church. Everyone had a good time.”

Scharnow said the effort once again reinforced the “international” part of Kiwanis International. The families understood that Kiwanis was behind this year’s generosity once again.

“Pepe and Ramona are truly outstanding Kiwanians who love the people of Nogales,” Roselieb said. “They have hearts of gold and have done much to promote Kiwanis in northern Mexico. This year’s effort was rewarding and a great service project.”
More colorful scenes from Kiwanis Across the Border
Mid-Year Conference set March 13-16

The Kiwanis Southwest District Mid-Year Conference will begin at 6 p.m. on Friday, March 13, with the opening reception in Farmington, New Mexico at the Courtyard by Marriott.

Now who wouldn’t want to spend a few days in the middle of March in beautiful Farmington, New Mexico?

Board members (and all members, for that matter) are urged to consider attending the Mid-Year Convention. The conference officially begins Saturday morning, March 14, with a general session followed by a day of education, awards and fellowship.

Attendees will stay at either the Courtyard by Marriott or the Red Lion Hotel, which is just next door. Education classes will be at the Red Lion Hotel while the general sessions and meal functions will be at the Marriott.

Make plans now to participate in “Kiwanis Got Talent.” Sign by March 1 for the talent show to be held Saturday night after the banquet. There is no entry fee and the prizes are great (though no details, exactly, on what those prizes are). There will be first, second and third place winners.

Updated information is available on the Southwest District website, which can be found at www.kiwanis-southwest.org.

President Al Roselieb displays a thank you plaque we recently received from the Fountain Hills Soccer Club. This past year we donated to the club and sponsored a young soccer team of children ages 4 and 5. This is just one more way we can serve the children of the world and help Fountain Hills kids develop healthy and active lifestyles.

Getting to know our members

Our Mystery Person was born in Chicago, IL and in 1945 moved to the Glendale area of California with his family. He recalls standing on a corner in Glendale selling newspapers on the day WWII ended! He attended Jr. College in Glendale and spent 2 years in the Navy, serving aboard the USS Helena. He left for Korea on the day the Korean Truce was signed. Upon returning to the States, he graduated from the University of Southern California and went to work for a company called Lieberscope as a Design Engineer working on atomic weapons systems for such projects as the Polaris Submarines. In 1963 he went to work for IBM and specifically North American Aviation where he worked on the Apollo Capsule, the B-70 Bomber, and the Saturn V Booster Rocket.

He met his future wife, Carolyn, in 1966 and they have 2 sons and 7 grand children. They alternately lived in Texas for 3 years (where he covered a territory of 35,000 square miles), New York for 15 years, and Hong Kong for 2 years. He retired in 1989. Regrettably his wife passed away one and a half years ago from a long struggle with cancer. They then moved to Fountain Hills in 1991 after a 30-year career and he became very active in community and civic affairs. He was a member of the Civic Association Board and especially the Community Center Advisory Commission. He played a critical role in getting the new Community Center built, as he established a professional campaign to raise in excess of $500,000 in cash donations. His name appears on plaques in the Community Center and as a testament to his fine efforts, you can view the many memorial bricks surrounding the Community Center. In addition, he served on the McDowell Mountain Preservation Commission and as our Kiwanis Noon Club President in 2001 in addition to becoming Lt. Governor in the SW District. For a man “who has dedicated more time and effort to our community than most of us can ever imagine,” let us introduce JOHN ROSENQUIST!

Our Mystery Person was born in Chicago, IL and raised in Cicero. She attended Morton High School, Northern Illinois University, and completed her Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees in elementary education at ASU! For 25 years she taught mainly 6th graders in Arizona.

Her hobbies include sewing for charity groups, reading, walking and hiking, and the enjoying the card games of bridge, canasta and pinochle. She was married for 52 years to her husband, Jim, who regretfully passed away in 2011. She belongs to St. Patrick’s Church in Scottsdale, and is an active member of the Four Peaks Women’s Club, the Children’s Cancer Network, and the Fountain Hills Theater. She has two children – a son who graduated from West Point Military Academy and a daughter who received her Ph.D. from Princeton University, as well as five grand children, one of whom is serving in the Peace Corps in Peru.

We are most fortunate to have her as one of our newer members of the Noon Club, sponsored by Donna Yordy. She has already become actively involved in our club’s activities, especially Breakfast with Santa. Please let me introduce JOYCE STEHLIK!
Helping save families
Club rehabs an apartment in hands-on service project

Five Noon Kiwanians journeyed to Mesa on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 to participate in an outreach project in conjunction with the Save the Family Foundation.

Project Manager Matt Dahlgran supplied the cleaning and painting materials and our crew went to work rehabbing a two-bedroom apartment so that a new, low-income family could move in that next week.

Save the Family Foundation of Arizona offers a variety of programs designed to empower families to conquer homelessness and achieve life-long independence.

Through targeted services that align with the goals and strategies set by Valley of the Sun United Way and the Maricopa Association of Government’s Continuum of Care, families at Save the Family end the damaging effects of family homelessness by improving their education and employment opportunities, accessing safe, permanent housing, and building family competencies.

Participating in the recent service project in cooperation with Save the Family Foundation were, from left, Paul Appeldorn, Keith Kunk, Jo Nelson, soon-to-be Kiwanian Bernie Hoenle, Matt Dahlgran of Save the Family and club President Al Roselieb.

Super volunteer Paul Appeldorn shows how it’s done with a painbrush…

Bernie Hoenle plans to join our club, and he has already gotten involved with several projects. Way to go, Bernie!

Keith Junk laying down on the job….
Upcoming Calendar of Events

February 1  Super Bowl Pancake Breakfast
February 3  Aktion Club meeting at STARS
February 5  Luncheon meeting; Amy Burnett of Game & Fish
February 12  NO MEETING
February 17  Interclub visit to Capitol Gateway Club
February 17  Aktion Club meeting at STARS
February 19  Noon Kiwanis 40th anniversary luncheon
February 20-22  Great Fair food booth
February 25  Interclub visit to DSYP Club
February 26  NO MEETING

Each One Reach One!

The newest member of the Noon Kiwanis Club is Michael Robertson, left, who is affectionately known as “The Bug Man” and works for Truly Nolen. Michael will take care of all your pest control needs and looks forward to helping with various service projects and fundraisers coordinated by our club. Deacon John Les Callett, center, recruited Michael into the club and is his sponsor. Club President Al Roselieb was happy to perform the induction ceremony.

Reaching the world

Don’t forget that our club is active on two Internet-related sites in an effort to not only inform our club members about what’s going on but also to reach out to the community and world.

Our website is www.fhkiwanis.org. The site has been active the past few years and includes news updates, meeting schedule, background on our club, our various service projects, photo gallery and back issues of our monthly newsletter.

We also have a Facebook page that has more than 100 “likes” but sure could use a few more. Regular updates and pictures are posted on the page to inform our followers and others what’s going on.

These are excellent tools to recommend to a prospective member who wants to check out our club before talking to someone in person. They can be accessed from anywhere on a computer. Spread the word and help promote your club!