



THE SANDPIPER



THE WEEKLY MEMBERSHIP NEWSLETTER OF THE **KIWANIS CLUB OF SAND LAKE, NY**

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MEETING OF AUGUST 28, 2017

President Jean F. Hamlin, presiding

INVOCATION by Pat Lane

GUESTS of Stuart Nippes:



Bob & Michelle Arsenault, from Make-A-Wish

WELCOME BACK, President Jean Hamlin



and Peg Weiss



PROJECT SIGNUP SHEETS

NOPIATES MEMORIAL WALK FOOD SERVICE, Thurs Aug 31, WSL Fire Co @ 6pm
Brownrigg, Metchick, Tysiak, Pasquarelli, Lane, Nippes

DOORS OF HOPE, unloading food truck

Fri Sept 1st: *Daniels, Colabelli, Patton*

Mon Sept 11th:

YEAR END STEAK & LOBSTER FEST, Monday, September 18th 6pm @ Mulligans'
Eve Ward taking reservations. Helpers needed @ 5pm. Bring desserts and lawn chairs.

59th MONTHLY PASTA DINNER @ WSL Firehouse, Saturday, September 9, 2017

12 – 7, Kitchen/Cook: **Booker, Lewandusky, Loveridge, Nippes, Wagner**

3 – 5:30, Setup & Serve: **Weiss, Metchick, Daniels**

3:30 – 7, Cashier: **Ward**

5 – 7:30, Serve & Takedown: **Weiss, Metchick**

EAST GREENBUSH INTERCLUB & DIV. COUNCIL, Tues, Sept 26, 6pm, Comfort Inn, \$20

Lane, Murdick, Pasquarelli, Brownrigg, Weiss

GOVERNOR'S VISIT, Sat, Oct 14th, Octagonal Barn, 588 Middle Rd, Knox, NY

Booker, Lane, Murdick, Brownrigg, Weiss

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- John Brownrigg announced the 8th Annual Gathering of the Tribes at Brown's Farm, 890 Luther Rd, East Greenbush on Sat & Sun Sept 9th & 10th from 10-5. Admission \$5.
- President Jean read a thank you note from the Dorr family for the use of our large tent for their annual gathering. They included a \$100 donation.
- Both Dave Booker and John Brownrigg gave a brief report of the annual District Convention at Lake Placid, NY this past weekend. John commented on the long string of badges indicating his many offices held. Thanks to Wendy Prout for serving as SLK's 3rd delegate. Dave noted that this convention was lightly attended. John "Hank" Baker was chosen as Governor-Elect. Next year's convention will be in Syracuse, then Niagara Falls, and in 2020 it will be in Albany at the Desmond.



- Stuart Nippes introduced Bob and Michelle Arsenault, explaining that in memory of their son Bobby, they held a party with all proceeds going to Make-A-Wish. They decided to establish an endowment fund to grow and become a permanent annual gift, raising \$150 thousand. Our Food Trailer worked all day feeding the crowd! Stu presented Bob with our check for \$2000 from the proceeds, and promised our services for next year!

PRESENTATIONS



President Jean presented awards for perfect attendance to Peg Weiss for 18 years and to Kevin Sarsfield for 11 years. Kevin then presented President Jean hers for 4 years!



PROGRAM



Jerry Tysiak presented a comparison of Sand Lake Kiwanis Club and the East Naples, FL Club which he attends when he is in residence there for the winter. The East Naples Club is located in Collier County, which is 3 times the size of Rensselaer County, but half of it is Everglades! Their Division (#22) has 3 times the population of Rensselaer with 9 clubs. We have seven. The school district is the whole county, with schools about the size of Averill Park. Almost none of their membership is a "native"—they all have moved there from somewhere else! And they are mostly heads of other community organizations,

so they are much in tune with all the events of the area, and work well together. Most of the members have been members of Kiwanis Clubs all over the country. They meet at I-HOP without charge for either breakfast or lunch; no dinner meetings. Evenings are for their many social activities. Members have a most colorful uniform for visiting other clubs or attending their many public appearances. It is a combination of orange and black tuxedo type jackets with orange alligator shoes; they definitely stand out in a crowd! They have many raffles of all types to raise money. Prizes often reach more than \$25 thousand, and sometimes winners donate it back to the club! Some of the Division projects have been making soft orange and black caps for kids who have lost their hair to cancer (baseball caps are stiff and irritate their scalps), holding pickle ball tournaments (Jerry can explain that game!), Christmas in July for homeless and foster kids, Laces of Love buys new sneakers for kids to wear to school, and school supplies. City of Naples houses lower income families; wealthier folks live in the suburbs, where the poorer people work in restaurants and as domestics. One of the clubs in Division #22 has a newsletter called "The Kiwanicle"!

Jerry presented a very thorough comparison, and we're glad to know you spend your winters wisely!

HAPPY DOLLARS

- \$ **Bob Pasquarelli:** I had a great evening at the ValleyCats game last week, especially when the home team came from behind to win in the 9th inning with a grand slam home run!
- \$ **Pat Lane:** I have 2 very unhappy dollars because I went to the funerals of 2 friends who died of overdoses!
- \$ **Skip Patton:** We took a trip to Portland, OR so I could photograph the solar eclipse in totality! We also visited our son and his new wife while we were there, too!
- \$ **Pat Lane:** This one's happy: I got a birthday card from our incoming president that warned me to alert the fire department when I lit all those candles on my cake!
- \$ **Tim Murdick:** My son enjoyed the Make-A-Wish outing. He was happy to go camping with his cousin!
- \$ **Jim Rogers:** Our grandson celebrated his 20th birthday, and is going to Utica to study computer engineering!
- \$ **Pete Stevens:** John took (Sorry, Pete, but you talked too fast and too low!)
- \$ **Eve Ward:** I've gained all my weight back, and now I have appointments with the eye doctor tomorrow, and the ear doctor Thursday, and maybe I'll be all fixed!
- \$ **Peg Weiss:** I just returned from my trip to steamy NC, and I didn't look at a computer for over 3 weeks! I drove more than 2000 miles visiting friends and family, the highlight of which was attending the baptism of my great-grandson, who slept through the whole service despite the large amount of water that was poured over his head! When the family was presented to the congregation, the priest asked, "Doesn't that kid ever wake up?"
- \$ **Kevin Sarsfield:** I neglected to mention that Angelo Patti played in our foursome last week, so I'm paying a dollar just to get his name in the Sandpiper!
- \$ **Jean Hamlin:** I also had a 2000-mile trip because 2 of my family members had died of cancer. I made the mistake of traveling with both my daughters, and it was like World War III with their fighting! Never again will I take both—only one at a time!

DRAWINGS - Two extra dinners were sold—thank you!

DOOR PRIZE, provided by Jerry Tysiak, was won by **Bryce Ginther!**

50/50, worth \$21, was won by **Ron Wagner!**

PROGRESSIVE 50/50, now worth **\$498.50**, will keep growing. **Dave**

Booker's ticket was pulled, but he couldn't find that King of Clubs from the 17 remaining cards. He came up with the **Ace of Spades!**



COMING . . .

NEXT WEEK

September 4

NO MEETING – LABOR DAY

In Two Weeks

September 11

PROGRAM CHAIR: *John Brownrigg*

PROGRAM: **Membership & Education Committee Update**

Meeting of 2016-17 and 2017-18 Boards of Directors

GREETER/INVOCATOR: *Nancy Davis*

In Three Weeks

September 18

NO MEETING – ANNUAL END OF YEAR STEAK & LOBSTER

FEAST AT THE MULLIGANS’

In Four Weeks

September 25

PROGRAM CHAIR: *Bill Whipple*

PROGRAM: **TBA**

GREETER/INVOCATOR/CERTIFICATE PRESENTER: *Jerry Tysiak*

SPIRITUAL THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

“A single act of kindness throws out roots in all directions, and the roots spring up and make new trees.”

Amelia Earhart