



# THE SANDPIPER



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

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## MEETING OF MARCH 4, 2013

PRESIDENT Michael T. Gates presiding

GREETINGS & INVOCATION by Pat Lane

GUEST: of Bob Loveridge, prospective member Chris Bradway

### PROJECT SIGNUP SHEETS

DOORS OF HOPE, unloading food truck

Tues Mar 19<sup>th</sup>: *Daniels, Nippes, Malecki, Whipple, James*

8<sup>th</sup> MONTHLY PASTA DINNER @ WSL Firehouse, Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013:

12 – 7, Setup & Cook: *L&L Ellis, Loveridge, Brownrigg, \_\_\_\_\_*

3 – 5:30, Setup & Serve: *Weiss, Lane, Hamlin*

3:30 – 7, Cashiers: *Ward, Ginther*

5 – 7:30, Serve & Takedown: *Weiss, Hamlin, \_\_\_\_\_*

*This is a CLUB project. How about some new faces, both to work and/or to be customers!*

DIVISION COUNCIL MEETING Wed March 6<sup>th</sup> / 6:30 PM, Nichi's, hosted by N Greenbush

*Booker, Pasquarelli, Brownrigg, Weiss, Nippes, Malecki, Gates, Lane, Mulligan, Loveridge*

FOOD SERVERS @ POESTENKILL ELEM SCIENCE FAIR, Sat March 23<sup>rd</sup>, in school kitchen:

12 – 1: *Colabelli, Ward, Mulligan*

12 – 4: *Tysiak, Weiss*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 🚩 **Bob Loveridge:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual VR Division Golf Outing is Sat June 1, at Burden Lake Country Club, for 18 holes of "best ball/scramble" format, lunch & dinner (dinner for non-players also). This is a big fund raiser for the Division, and we need many sponsors! Please help out!



✚ **John Brownrigg:** We have plans for an extensive project on Kiwanis One Day Sat April 6<sup>th</sup> so please keep the date open. They will be discussed in detail at tonight's Board meeting, and later for the general membership. Stay tuned!

**PERFECT ATTENDANCE AWARD** was presented to **Jim Colabelli** for 19 years of perfect attendance! Congratulations to you, Jim, for your consistent service!

**MARCH BIRTHDAYS:** Jennie Glasser, Joe Grillo, Bruce Perry, and **Bill Whipple!**

**MARCH ANNIVERSARIES:** Doug & Gretchen Baldrey

We sang enthusiastically to Bill, the only one of the celebrants present, and thoroughly enjoyed Eve's fabulous carrot cake!

## PROGRAM

Bob Loveridge presented an overview of the activities of his committee, Young Children Priority #1, for the past year. Other members include Jean Hamlin, Pat Lane, Rose Metchick, and Jim Rogers. SLKs didn't really Skip A Meal (*heaven forbid!*) during April but we donated the monetary equivalent to the Kiwanis International Foundation to fund grants that enable children worldwide to lead healthier, happier, and more productive lives, and we received a banner patch for our efforts. We assisted struggling families with holiday food and toys at both Thanksgiving and Christmas. We actively participated in the Bells of Life campaign for the benefit of the Children's Hospital at Albany Medical Center, particularly the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Unit (KPTU) and the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). Between 1986 and 1999 the three local divisions (Van Rensselaer, Capital, Mohawk) have raised \$650,000 for the KPTU, and this year's Bells campaign raised \$156,000 more, \$8500 of which came from our day at Crossgates Mall with the Key Club from APHS. Bob also arranges tours of the PICU & NICU for Kiwanians and other members of the Kiwanis Family. Kiwanians are role models who teach youth about good civic and community commitment and involvement practices. We donate Kiwanis Kritters (stuffed animals) to the local ambulance companies for their child patients. The EliMiNate Project is the current international project partnered with UNICEF to eradicate Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus throughout the world, at a cost of just \$1.80 per person for the 3 required injections. Our monthly Pasta Dinners are our dedicated fund raisers for EliMiNaTe. We attempt to provide safer environments

such as home safety, fire prevention, and evacuation planning, playground safety by the installation of new playground equipment at Butler Park, highway safety with the child car seat installation and identification file programs in cooperation with the Sheriff's Department. Bob distributed questionnaires to the membership for suggestions for future projects in the various categories of YCP#1 priorities. This committee is a very important emphasis of the Kiwanis objectives. Thanks, Bob, for a great job! Your enthusiasm is contagious!



## HAPPY DOLLARS

- ✚ **Joe Behson:** Had a fantastic week at Mt Snow skiing on 15" of new snow for 5 days!
- ✚ **Eve Ward:** Bryce and I transported over 500 books to WSL Elementary K-Kids last week, and learned that their total collection amounted to over 3600 books! Thanks to all who contributed the books, especially DP Sutherland School in Nassau, and Curves of WSL!

- \$ **Bob Loveridge:** This is for my guest, Chris Bradshaw, who wouldn't sit with me, but is still interested in joining Kiwanis. I just hope she comes back again!
- \$ **Pat Lane:** Yesterday Peg and I attended Kevin Sarsfield's camera class at the SL Center for the Arts, and were pleased to see that we have our own Alfred Hitchcock silhouette!

DOOR PRIZE, provided by Bob Loveridge, was won by **Dudley Dorr!**  
 50/50 for \$20.50 was won by **John Brownrigg!**

MEGA 50/50 grew to \$273 this week, and **Eve Ward** got the chance to King of Clubs. She tried, but since she wasn't picking for Brownrigg, she found the Queen of Clubs! So close!



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**COMING WEEKS...**

- MARCH 11                   PROGRAM: **Bob Pasquarelli -- TBA**  
 GREETER/INVOCATOR/CERTIFICATE: **Jim Parslow**
  
- MARCH 18                   PROGRAM: **Gary Meislin -- TBA**  
 GREETER/INVOCATOR/CERTIFICATE: **Angelo Patti**
  
- MARCH 25                   PROGRAM: **Jerry Tysiak -- TBA**  
 GREETER/INVOCATOR/CERTIFICATE: **George Raneri**
  
- APRIL 1                     PROGRAM: **Eve Ward (no April Fool!)**  
 Update on Social Committee Activities  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
 GREETER/INVOCATOR: **Peter Stevens**

**SPIRITUAL THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:**

*“Those who hammer their guns into plows will plow for those who do not.”*  
 Thomas Jefferson

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

ROLL CALL: President Gates, Pres-Elect Nippes, Secretary Booker, Treasurer Pasquarelli,  
 Immediate Past President Lane  
 DIRECTORS Ginther, Mulligan, Weiss, Brownrigg, Whipple, Fioravanti,  
 Loveridge, Malecki  
 Absent: Director Sarsfield

SECRETARY'S MINUTES accepted as filed online

TREASURER'S REPORT accepted for audit; balance of \$33,224.55 as of 2/28/13

**HIGHLIGHTS OF COMMITTEE REPORTS**

BOY SCOUT COMMITTEE (Behson): Attended Troop 526 Leadership Meeting 2/18/13. Planned activities were presented for this spring. Behson met with Troop Leaders 2/20/13 to sign Annual Charter. Activity report for February: Mike Ghent added to Troop Committee; 2 others proposed, awaiting Kiwanis approval. Troop

activities planned for March & April: skiing at Mt Snow, camping trip at Ward Pond, merit badge work, swimming at New Lebanon for merit badges. Boys will help at Kiwanis spaghetti dinners and Summerfest.

COMMUNITY SERVICES (Loveridge/Ginther): Unloaded food truck twice at Doors of Hope.

PUBLIC RELATIONS (Gates): Notices in Advertiser for Spaghetti Dinners; thanks written to Pres of WSL Fire Co for keeping event on electric sign and to SL Town Supervisor for notice on SL TV.

SENIOR SERVICES (Whipple): Annual luncheon served to 61 seniors at a cost of \$398.15.

SPONSORED YOUTH (Fioravanti/Mulligan/Malecki): Attended 1 Key Club meeting. Attended 2 Builders Club meetings, making Valentines with Key Club help for VA Hospital patients. Attended 2 K-Kids meetings: visited by K-9 unit with dogs and gave them a donation of \$200; collected 3600 books for shelters; to be honored with NY State Character Education Award April 10, all 4 officers will attend at no cost to them. SLKs encouraged to attend.

WAYS & MEANS (Nippes): 2 Summerfest planning meetings held. Monthly Pasta Dinner netted \$207.42 for EliMiNaTe Project.

## OLD BUSINESS

1. Order of 300 new letters for signs approved. (*Billing to Brownrigg's credit card?*)
2. Town of Sand Lake considering sign ordinance.

## NEW BUSINESS

1. Resignation from Board of Directors by Kevin Sarsfield accepted with regret.
2. Nominees for Board vacancy (Eve Ward, Joe Behson) will be voted upon at next regular meeting of the Club next week.
3. \$300 funding assistance to WSL School Carnival approved.
4. Confirmed planned APHS Senior Awards to be presented again this year.
5. Up to \$744 approved funding for 5 Key Club members plus chaperone (Pat Lane) to attend Leadership Training Conference at Holiday Inn, Albany.
6. Proposal by Brownrigg, Ginther, and Loveridge for a Kiwanis One Day project on Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>: Repair and improve facilities at Butler Town Park, with interaction and support from Town and public, plus the Kiwanis organizations of all ages, and Troop 526 BSA. Specifically, some of the projects would be the Route 351 Highway Cleanup with Key Club members; cleanup and re-mulch flag pole and playground areas; cleanup and repair of Fitness Trail; fill in low areas of Butler Field near telephone railings; scrape and paint park entrance railing, and re-stain poles, stain/paint picnic tables, paint bathroom doors in pavilion area. Each project would have a leader, and be accomplished by different groups. This would take all day, beginning at 9 AM and ending about 4:30 PM, with folks giving as much time as they can. Food may be available. Other Town organizations may wish to help, and lots of publicity is needed as soon as possible. No formal vote was taken, but the consensus of opinion seemed to be favorable, with several volunteering to join the committee: Colabelli, Malecki, Lane, Ward, and Pasquarelli. LET'S RESTORE OUR TOWN PARK!
7. Community Services Committee request for \$300 approved to pay cost of training installers for Child Safety Seats.
8. \$125 approved for ad in program for Character Education Awards Dinner April 10<sup>th</sup> at the Franklin Plaza when the WSL Elem School K-Kids will be honored.
9. Tent request by Eve Ward for use at Salem UMC Annual Fair on Sat Sept 7<sup>th</sup> approved.

## FOR CONSIDERATION AT NEXT MONTH'S BOARD MEETING:

Youth Services Committee: Donation to AP Youth Soccer League

## NEWS

VAN RENSSELAER DIVISION: 4 Distinguished Clubs were honored at the Mid Winter Conference: East Greenbush, Hoosick Falls, Rensselaer, and SAND LAKE!

NY DISTRICT: 21 Distinguished Divisions were honored, including Van Rensselaer!

INTERNATIONAL: NY District's Peter Mancuso will be testifying before Congress on behalf of the  
Kiwanis International Foundation!

**BILLS** were authorized to be paid.