



THE SANDPIPER



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

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MEETING OF MARCH 17, 2014

President Stuart Nippes presiding

Invocation by Past President Pat Lane

GUESTS: Lt. Governor Harleen and Art Hilton

PROGRAM: Program Chair – David Booker

Program: *Youth Protection Guidelines* Club Training

SIGN UP SHEETS:

- Sand Lake Seniors luncheon, which was rescheduled for March 13 due to weather, has again been rescheduled for April 10 due to the weather.
9AM-1:30PM Purchase Food and Serve: Joe Trupia & David Booker
10:30AM-1:30PM Setup and Serve: Ken James, Pat Lane & Linda Ellis
11:30AM-1:30PM Serve: Gary Meislin, Jerry Tysiak, John Mulligan, Jean Hamlin, Nancy Davis, Skip Patton & Craig Daniels.
Those who signed up should adjust their schedules accordingly and let Bill Whipple or Joe Trupia know if you can't make it.
- Next Doors of Hope opportunity is tomorrow. Bryce Ginther, Ron Wagner, Skip Patton, Bob Loveridge and Craig Daniels are signed up, and more are welcome. Contact Bryce.
- Van Rensselaer Division Council meeting and North Greenbush interclub is Wednesday, 3/19 at Carol's Place Pawling Avenue (NY Route 66 ant Ford Avenue), Troy. Dave Booker, Bob Pasquarelli, Linda Ellis, John Brownrigg, Eve Ward, Joe Behson, Pat Lane and John Mulligan. Deacon Bob's bus will be leaving Millerford's at 5:30, so if you need a ride call him.

Kiwaniis Youth Protection
Guidelines

Training for members of the
Kiwaniis Club of Sand Lake
March 17, 2014

 **Kiwaniis**

- Poestenkill Elementary School's Discovery Day is Saturday, 3/22, and SLK is cooking. Bob Pasquarelli, Sue Jensky, Eve Ward, Nancy Davis, Craig Daniels, Linda Ellis, Lyndon Ellis, Jerry Tysiak, Bob Loveridge, John Mulligan & Stuart Nippes have volunteered.
- The April Pasta Dinner is Saturday, 4/12. Volunteers are:
 Start Up: Linda Ellis, Lyndon Ellis & Bob Loveridge
 1st Shift (3-5:30): John Brownrigg & Pat Lane
 2nd Shift (5:30-7:30): Jean Hamlin & Pat Lane
 Cashiers (3-7:30): Eve Ward
 There's still plenty of time to sign up.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Lt. Governor Harleen: Thanked us for the way that the SLKC always makes her feel welcome and she asked what is it about the club that we like best: fellowship, camaraderie, "work hard – play hard," no animosity, everyone works well together, the community service were among the responses. She thanked and presented Pat Lane and John Mulligan "Bronze Keys" for sponsoring a new member, Sue Jensky; and Stuart Nippes for TC McEntyre. She then presented John with a "Silver Key" to acknowledge his second new member Drew Cook.



- President Stuart introduced a new District Membership contest which is to encourage members to bring guests to the meeting during March and April. A gift card will be awarded to the club selected by a drawing based on one guest one entry. An Apple iPad will be awarded in the same manner based on one new paid member – one entry.
- President Stu read a thank you from the Algonquin Middle School Builders Club thanking the club for the funding support which will enable them to build a second bench for the school.
- Craig Daniels is pleased collecting for the tickets for those who have signed up for SLK night at the SLCA production of *Fiddler on the Roof*.
- Bill Glasser: came to acknowledge and thank the club and particularly Pat Lane and Eve Ward for helping the Knights of Columbus with the project that sent Hannaford Gift Cards to needy families and individuals. He added that Memorial Day is approaching and he will be back wearing his "Veterans' Park" hat and ask the club to assist the Memorial Day Ceremony by serving the food again this year.

PROGRAM:

Secretary Dave Booker presented the program – the club training on the “Youth Protection Guidelines.” Kiwanis International is now requiring that every club be trained annually and the Club Secretary has to “certify” that the club has received the training.

Kiwanis seems to be reacting not only to the attention that “child abuse” and “sexual abuse” are receiving in the media today but also to the impact that programs of Kiwanis Clubs worldwide have on the lives of our children/youth. Kiwanians have to be aware of the problem and do all that can be done to ensure that there is no stigma attached our clubs.

Why this training?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child abuse can happen anywhere. • Kiwanis youth programs have more than 300,000 members. • Working with youth = trust.

The “Guidelines” are meant to protect not only the youth that we serve but also protect Kiwanians from false accusations of abuse by recognizing and avoiding situations that could be perceived as fostering any abuse.

KI is expected to adhere to the highest standards while dealing with our youth if we are to remain the world’s best organization supporting our sponsored organizations and providing needed services to the youth in our communities.

For the most part the “Guidelines” appear to be based on common sense:

The guidelines	The guidelines	The guidelines
<p>Overnight stays</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One adult for each 10 youth of the same gender. • Separate sleeping quarters 	<p>Transportation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check local laws • Ask school about policies • Two adults in one vehicle (or “rule of threes”) 	<p>Medication</p> <p>Only allow with <i>written</i> permission of parent or guardian.</p>
<p>Alcohol/tobacco</p> <p>Refrain from using alcoholic beverages and tobacco products.</p>	<p>Reporting</p> <p>In short:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. “Reasonable person standard.” 2. If participants or chaperones are not in immediate danger, contact school personnel first. 3. Emergency? Call local law enforcement immediately. 	<p>Behavioral or health issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leave it to the professionals • Behavioral vs. personal: use good judgment

Starting October 1st all Kiwanis Club Advisors to the Service Leadership Programs (K Kids, Builders Clubs, Key Clubs, Circle K and Akton Clubs) are required by KI to have a “clear background check” in order to serve as advisors. And the individual clubs must create a Club Policy/Procedure concerning these background checks. The SLKC has recently approved such a club policy and it also requires those club officers that have a fiduciary responsibility to have a clear criminal background check.

KI has a number of Powerpoint presentations and webinars concerning this issue.

HAPPY DOLLARS:

- \$ Joe Behson: for a great vacation in St. Martin.
- \$ Pat Lane: Happy to see the sunshine.
- \$ Dave Booker: Pleased to see that UMass made it into the NCAA Basketball Tournament.
- \$ Skip Patton: it was a great winter and a lot of skiing – but now its time for baseball.
- \$ Mike Gates: Shelly says that the puppy loves them both but respects him.
- \$ President Stuart: very happy that Harleen visited tonight and concerned as to how busy he will be now that his condo project is in its final phase.

DRAWINGS:

The door prize (provided by Dave) was won by Joe Behson.

The 50/50 for \$23.50 was won by Lyndon Ellis.

The Progressive 50/50, with \$20 added today was for \$561.50, with 25 cards remaining. For the second time in two weeks TC McIntyre had a chance to find the “King” but only come up with the Ace of Clubs.

NEXT WEEK:

Program Chair is George Raneri

Program: Dr. Drew Matonak, President of Hudson Valley Community College

Greeter/Invocator/Certificate Presenter: Skip Patton



It was St. Patrick's Day after all!