

# February 2017

## Kiwanis Club of Dubois



Serving the  
children of the world

Organized May 1992

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

### Meetings

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday November -March

St. Thomas' Church Community Rm @ 6:45 a.m.

### Meeting Dates/Program Planning

Feb 7	Jennet Ballinger
Feb 14	Board Meeting @ 7 am
Feb 21	Pat Ballinger
March 7	Susan Bodar
March 14	Board Meeting @ 7 a.m.
March 21	Michele Burdick

### Upcoming Events/Projects/Activities

**Feb 12-18 Random Acts of Kindness Week**  
(More info from Judy)

**Feb 14 Eclipse Meeting, 2:00 p.m.**  
Headwaters

**Feb 17 Make breakfast burritos**  
for Stamper Children Benefit  
1:00 pm at Senior Center  
(More info from Tammy)

**Feb 25 Soup-e-nanny Bake Sale**  
Deliver baked goods to Headwaters  
around 3:00. Volunteers needed to price  
@ 3:30 and work shifts till 9:30 pm  
(More info from Jennet)

**March 1 Scholarship Applications Due**

**March 3-5 Rocky Mountain District**  
Mid-Year Conference @ Fort Collins  
(KI President Jane Erickson will speak)

*Stillness is the flower of winter,  
all hope waits beneath a blanket of white.*

### Celebrate~

#### Happy Birthday ~

Jan 31	Michele Burdick
Feb 1	Butch Burdick
Feb 11	Susan Bodar
Feb 22	Judy Johnson



### A Bit of News...

~ **Thank you** for participating in December events!

The lights around the church were beautiful, the children at Dubois K-8 very much appreciated the candy and toys that Santa's helpers provided and several children benefitted from gifts purchased by our club and individual members through the Chrismoose program.

Our tree from the Christmas Extravaganza went home with a delightful young lady who loves the snowmen and other decorations.

The annual Club Christmas party, hosted by Ron and Judy, was a big hit with enjoyable conversation, delicious food and our traditional and fun white elephant gift exchange.

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The purpose of human  
life is to serve and to  
show compassion and  
the will to help others.

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- Albert Schweitzer

> more news . . . please keep reading > >

## December & January Meeting Notes ~

### December 6: TOM HERRET

Tom, a retired science teacher, shared expert knowledge about the August 21 Eclipse, expected to occur at 11:30 a.m. in Dubois for the duration of 2 minutes 19 seconds. An abundance of people are expected to visit Dubois in August since the area is considered to be prime viewing. Tom will be teaching classes through CWC outreach to help inform residents about the once-in-a-lifetime event! Check out [www.windrivereclipse.com](http://www.windrivereclipse.com) for info.

*50/50 won by Kay*

### December 13: BOARD MEETING

Minutes were emailed to all members 1/9/17

### December 20: RANDY LAHR, PRES.

#### DUBOIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Randy joined us to explain planning that is underway to accommodate the expected influx of people arriving in August to view the Eclipse. The local Chamber of Commerce is working with the Wind River Visitor's Council on promotional material and a new *Destination Dubois* website will be unveiled soon. The goal is to provide a safe, memorable experience for people who will come back for a future visit.

Committees have been established to organize food, hospitality, events and lodging, with the Town of Dubois overseeing general logistics. There are numerous opportunities for volunteers and organizations.

Stay tuned . . .

*50/50 won by Roz*



"Energize the Dream.... That every child is happy, healthy, safe and loved!"  
#KidsNeedKiwaniis

## Kiwaniis Education ~ Membership and More

### 2016-17 GOALS FOR KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL

By September 30, 2017:

- Every club will create a strategic I-Plan.
- Every club will conduct at least one signature project.
- We will add more than 35,000 new members.
- We will open more than 300 new Kiwanis clubs.
- We will support our Service Leadership Programs.
- We will collect more than US\$10.4 million in previously committed Eliminate pledges

\*\*The new member goal is meant to offset the loss of aging members worldwide. The Rocky Mountain District's portion of that is approximately 13%, or 448 new members, which is further broken down to the Division and club level. **The new member goal for Division 10 is 38 members, with at least 3 of those joining our Dubois club.** \*\*

### January 3: MARY ELLEN BRANDL

Mary Ellen, a dental hygienist, shared photos and insights from her experience in Africa as part of a dental team. The Opportunity Education Foundation made it possible for the group to spend 13 days in Tanzania last summer. She explained the heartbreak of not being able to do enough for so many children and their teachers in remote villages. The team visited hundreds of children in four schools over five days and ultimately could take care of those who were in pain and do quick exams of others. The children treasured stickers, crayons and coloring pages provided by the US team. Mary Ellen said it was a humbling experience to visit with people who seem to have so little, yet express such gratitude.

After spending many years as a hygienist, Mary Ellen has returned to school to become a dentist, with the hope of returning to Africa.  
*50/50 won by Kay*

### January 10: BOARD MEETING

Wellness Screening/Blood Draw dates of August 1-3 were approved. The club will explore the possibility of serving a meal during the Eclipse and agreed to attend planning meetings. Complete minutes will be emailed.

### January 17: ADRIA TREMBLY

Adria explained the plan to feed wrestlers and families during the upcoming high school regional wrestling tournament being hosted at Dubois High School. She asked for our help to cook and serve a Friday night dinner and a Saturday morning breakfast. Proceeds will go the Stamper Children Education Fund. Their father Bruce, who lost his life in a tragic airplane accident, started the USA program in Dubois and gave generously to kids and community. We offered our full support to the project.

*50/50 won by Karen*



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