



**Our mission**

Kiwaniis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world, one child and one community at a time.

Send newsletter info, stories, jokes, etc. to:

[goldenk.newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:goldenk.newsletter@gmail.com)

DEADLINE is Thursday for the next week's newsletter.

Meetings on Tuesdays 9-10 am  
*Guests welcome!*

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**Membership Lists**

Don Edminster

**Grocery Cards**  
Sam Kornfeld

**Food Bank**  
Steve Armstead

**Reporting Community Service Hrs:**

If it is easier for you, please report your service hours to Carroll's email: [jancar68@comcast.net](mailto:jancar68@comcast.net)

**UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

**TODAY—Libby James, "Writing, Running, & Tea Bags"** (Bill T.)

**Feb. 21—Meggan Jorgensen, DPT, "It's A Stretch"** (Wil S.)

**Feb. 28—CDC's Presence in Fort Collins, Leo Weakland** (Jim G.)

**LAST WEEK'S MEETING**  
44 members in attendance, plus 3 new members who have not been inducted yet. 3 other guests, an interclub of 6 from the Eyeopeners.

**Welfare of Members:**

It was reported that long-time former member, **Jack Fowler**, is now a permanent resident at the Columbine West nursing facility. This reflects a decline in his health. It was good to see **Dave Ham** back who had been laid up with a "triple-whammy" of health issues. He claimed to have experienced a resurrection experience.

**Coming Up:**

**Breakfast Event at Teaching Tree with tour and info about their program.**

**Friday, Feb. 17th 9:00 a.m.**  
**Sign up if you plan on attending.**

**MARCH 3&4**  
**ROCKY MT. DISTRICT**  
**MID-WINTER CONFERENCE**  
**AT THE FORT COLLINS**  
**HILTON—Cost \$75**

Main Event is on Saturday with numerous forums/workshops and the Interclub Luncheon

Kiwaniis International President will be the speaker.  
Check your email from Pres. Brubaker for the link to the full schedule.

**CLUB MEETING PRAYER**

Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> Don Edminster  
Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> John Milne  
Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> Ed Rice

**BIRTHDAYS**

Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> Eloise Curtis (Byrd)

**NO ANNIVERSARIES**

*Singing led by Carroll Morony*

**CHILDREN/YOUTH SERVICES**  
**HOURS FOR JANUARY**

**PROJECT SMILE**

Harold Boyer	Hugh Price
Don Edminster	Nancy Brown
John Brubaker	Charles Locke
Perry Irons	Byrd Curtis
Steve Armstead	Jim Goettl
Jeannie Craft	Ross Fryer
Jeff Stewart	Bob Kingsbury
Joy Stewart-guest	

TOTAL MEMBERS & GUESTS: 15  
TOTAL HOURS: 87

**PIZZA PARTIES**

Bob Fromme	Byrd Curtis
Hugh Price	Don Edminster
Ed Rice	Janet Brubaker
Will Stutheit	Jim Goettl
Steve Armstead	John Brubaker
Jeannie Craft	Allen Green
Nancy Brown	Kent Brown
Harold Boyer	Jeff Stewart
Henry Bauer	Ross Fryer

TOTAL MEMBERS: 18  
TOTAL HOURS: 81

**OTHER:**

LaFamilia<sup>o</sup> Larry Jones 1 hr.  
Centennial H.S.<sup>o</sup> Larry Jones 1.5 hrs.  
Rice Elem. <sup>o</sup> Hugh Price 10.5

**VALENTINE'S DAY THOUGHT:**

**3 Types of Love:**

1. <sup>o</sup>If<sup>o</sup>
2. <sup>o</sup>Because of<sup>o</sup>
3. <sup>o</sup>In spite of<sup>o</sup>

**CLUB COMMITTEES**  
*(chair & co-chair)*

**HOUSE**  
Jim McHugh

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**  
Carroll Morony  
Bill Fennone

**SPIRITUAL AIMS & MEMBER CARE**  
Al Van Nice  
Don Edminster

**MEMBERSHIP**  
Nancy Brown

**PROGRAMS**  
Jim Goettl

**SOCIAL**  
Dick Toledano

**CHILDREN & YOUTH**  
Kent Brown

**INTERNATIONAL**  
Wil Stutheit

**INTERCLUBS**  
Bill Ferguson  
Byrd Curtis

**TOY PROJECT FUND RAISING**  
Lloyd Wilson

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**OLE & LENA VALENTINE HUMOR:**

People often wondered why Ole and Lena had so many kids. Ole explained: "You see, Lena is hard of hearing, & we live near da railroad tracks. Every night the train wakes us up and I usually say to Lena, 'Should ve go back to sleep or what?' And Lena would always say "WHAT?"

**COMMUNITY SERVICE VOLUNTEER HOURS  
JANUARY 2017**

<b>Food Bank</b>		
Steve Armstead	Mart Cooley	Carroll Morony
Perry Irons	Jim Goettl	Don Edminster
Bill Ferguson	Jim McHugh	Bob Kingsbury
Dick Toledano	Hugh Price	
<b>Total members</b>		<b>11</b>
<b>TOTAL HOURS:</b>		<b>46</b>

<b>City Parks</b>	
Bob Kingsbury	
<b>Total members</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>TOTAL HOURS</b>	<b>11</b>

<b>Vita Tax Prep</b>	
John Milne	
Henry Bauer	
Hugh Price	
<b>Total members</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>TOTAL HOURS</b>	<b>27</b>

<b>Meals on Wheels</b>	
Mart Cooley	
<b>Total members</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>TOTAL HOURS</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Colorado Welcome Center</b>	
Morony, Carroll	
<b>Total members</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>TOTAL HOURS:</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Senior Center</b>	
Harold Boyer	
<b>Total members</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>TOTAL HOURS</b>	<b>8</b>

**TOTAL HOURS/COMM. SERVICE: 115**  
**KIWANIANS PARTICIPATING: 14**

**The Legend of St. Valentine**

The Catholic Church recognizes at least three different saints named Valentine or Valentinus, all of whom were martyred. One legend contends that Valentine was a priest who served during the third century in Rome. When Emperor Claudius II decided that single men made better soldiers than those with wives and families, he outlawed marriage for young men. Valentine, realizing the injustice of the decree, defied Claudius and continued to perform marriages for young lovers in secret. When Valentine's actions were discovered, Claudius ordered that he be put to death.

Other stories suggest that Valentine may have been killed for attempting to help Christians escape harsh Roman prisons, where they were often beaten and tortured. According to one legend, an imprisoned Valentine actually sent the first "valentine" greeting himself after he fell in love with a young girl—possibly his jailor's daughter—who visited him during his confinement. Before his death, it is alleged that he wrote her a letter signed "From your Valentine," an expression that is still in use today. Although the truth behind the Valentine legends is murky, the stories all emphasize his appeal as a sympathetic, heroic and—most importantly—romantic figure. By the Middle Ages, perhaps thanks to this reputation, Valentine would become one of the most popular saints in England and France.

While some believe that Valentine's Day is celebrated in the middle of February to commemorate the anniversary of Valentine's death or burial—which probably occurred around A.D. 270—others claim that the Christian church may have decided to place St. Valentine's feast day in the middle of February in an effort to "Christianize" the pagan celebration of Lupercalia. Celebrated at the ides of February, or February 15, Lupercalia was a fertility festival dedicated to Faunus, the Roman god of agriculture, as well as to the Roman founders Romulus and Remus.

To begin the festival, members of the Luperci, an order of Roman priests, would gather at a sacred cave where the infants Romulus and Remus, the founders of Rome, were believed to have been cared for by a she-wolf or lupa. The priests would sacrifice a goat, for fertility, and a dog, for purification. They would then strip the goat's hide into strips, dip them into the sacrificial blood and take to the streets, gently slapping both women and crop fields with the goat hide. Far from being fearful, Roman women welcomed the touch of the hides because it was believed to make them more fertile in the coming year. Later in the day, according to legend, all the young women in the city would place their names in a big urn. The city's bachelors would each choose a name and become paired for the year with his chosen woman. These matches often ended in marriage.

Lupercalia survived the initial rise of Christianity and but was outlawed—as it was deemed "un-Christian"—at the end of the 5th century, when Pope Gelasius declared February 14 St. Valentine's Day. It was not until much later, however, that the day became definitively associated with love. During the Middle Ages, it was commonly believed in France and England that February 14 was the beginning of birds' mating season, which added to the idea that the middle of Valentine's Day should be a day for romance.