



# TUSCOLA KIWANIS CLUB NEWSLETTER

**AUGUST 2009**

## 2009 Events

August 5, Wednesday	Board Meeting – Noon at Tuscany's
August 6-9, Thur-Sun	I-I District Convention – Lincolnshire IL
August 16, Sunday	Family Picnic – Wayne & Joann Ward's home
September 2, Wednesday	Board Meeting – Noon at Tuscany's
September 18 <sup>th</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup> , Fri & Sat	Peanut Sales Days

## Planning Ahead – 2010

April 9 <sup>th</sup> , Fish Fry Supper	Forty Martyrs Hall – time TBD
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## Upcoming Meetings & Program Assignments

August 3	Ken Landeck
August 10	Betty Leonard
August 17	Jerry Leonard
August 24	Beth Linstead
August 31	Jaci Manzella
September 7	No Meeting – Labor Day
September 14	Katona Hall
September 21	Jerry Hall
September 28	<b>New Officer Installation</b>
October 5	Gary Weber
October 12	Jason Maus
October 19	Jonda Maus
October 26	Kathryn McCumber

November 2	Laura Meyer
November 9	Don Miller
November 16	Ben Mingo
November 23	No Meeting – Thanksgiving Week
November 30	Topy Mooday
December 7	Art Moss
December 14	<b>Christmas Party – Bring a \$10 donation</b>
December 21	No Meeting – Christmas Week
December 28	Barb Moss

Programs are scheduled through the end of the year. If your date does not work for you, please notify Janet Butler as soon as possible so we can do a swap date for you.

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**Don't Forget to Give Wayne your August Volunteer Hours by the end of the month!**  
[Click here to enter hours online](#)

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Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi said, "I love birds and mountains and music and pictures and yet all these cannot vie with the deep joy of bringing some small measure of happiness to a human being." We Kiwanians know this joy. Bringing a small measure of happiness to others is what makes us happy.

*From Inspirational Moments for Kiwanis Occasions*

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**Trauma Doll Workshop 7-8-09**



Jonda & Betty...stuffing away.



Topy and Joyce...sewing away.



All Done! – Carol with Kathryn, Janet & Patty  
in the background



Paul & Ed – Men Welcome!



Janet



Paul



Jeannine

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### Meeting of July 13, 2009

There was a total attendance of 34 members and no guests.

Kiwanians Janet Boyer, Joyce Brzozkiewicz, Carol Burwash, Janet Butler, Jeannine Fortney, Paul Jones, Betty Leonard, Kathryn McCumber, Topy Mooday, Patty Russell and Ed Wachala attended a Trauma Doll Workshop on July 8<sup>th</sup> at the home of David and Janet Butler. After a yummy potluck lunch (of course we grazed some during the afternoon), they got down to business. Over 30 dolls were completed that afternoon. Janet Boyer planned to deliver a number of them to the Illinois Department of Children & Family Services.

A sign-up sheet went around for a Sullivan inter-club meeting on Monday, July 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:30PM at the Durbin Farm. Janet Butler will be delivering the traveling gavel.

Members were reminded to let Wayne know if they were attending the Kiwanis Family picnic on Sunday, 8/16. Bring a dish to share; we'll eat about 5PM.

Janet Butler read a Thank You note from Marge Conn for the flowers that the club sent for Mark's visitation and funeral.

Members were reminded that the club's semi-annual dues are due by July 31<sup>st</sup>.

Clarice Hausman advised members that Judy Weber-Jones would be presenting to the Tuscola School Board regarding starting a Team Safe Driving program. The meeting is at East Prairie on Monday, July 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM. Come out and show your support!



Tim Hoel gave the program on the topic of "Rock N' Roll" Trivia. Tim has lined up a whole list of questions to put to the members mostly from the Doo-Wop era of music. A fun time was had by all!!

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### **Grandpa & Bo**

My grandfather had prostate surgery. We brought him to the hospital at 7:30 a.m., and he was operated on about eight o'clock. We were amazed when the hospital called at noon to tell us he could go home.

Two months later our dog, Bo also had prostate surgery. When I brought him in, I asked the veterinarian what time I should pick him up. The vet told me Bo would need to remain overnight.

"Overnight?" I said. "My grandfather came home the same day."

The vet looked at me and said, "Bo's not on Medicare!"

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### **Meeting of July 20, 2009**

There was a total attendance of 34 members and 11 guests – Kevin McConnell, I-I District Governor-Elect, Kim Martin, our program speaker, Pat & Norm Gates, guests of the Judy & Ken Landeck, Allison & Loren Moss, granddaughters of Art & Barb Moss and an inter-club visit from Decatur Noon – John Couter, Shirley Elkin, Bob Emmons, Sherry Plain and our Lt. Governor, Charlotte Ballance.

Janet Butler read a Thank You note from the Illinois Department of Family Services for the trauma dolls that Janet Boyer had delivered. On the very next day dolls were given to two children going into foster care. The dolls were a comfort for the children.



Our special guests, Kevin McConnell – I-I District Governor-Elect, thanked the club for hosting Club Leadership Training at TNB on July 19<sup>th</sup>. Candy and Wayne made the arrangements. One of his focuses for the Kiwanis year 2009/2010 will be membership growth. Kevin has asked our club to participate in a forum at the I-I District Convention in August to discuss sustaining membership growth. Wayne Ward and Janet Butler will be making a PowerPoint presentation representing our club at the convention.

Janet Butler reminded Elaine Bryant, Carol Burwash, David Butler, Sherrie Hoel, Tim Hoel, Betty Leonard, Jerry Leonard, Kathryn McCumber and herself that they were attending a Sullivan inter-club meeting that evening to deliver the traveling gavel.

Members were reminded to let Wayne know if they were attending the Kiwanis Family picnic on Sunday, 8/16. Bring a dish to share; we'll eat about 5PM.

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Candy Hudson introduced our speaker, Kim Martin. Kim is a co-worker with Candy at Tuscola National Bank (TNB). Kim became interested in “Dave Ramsey’s Financial Peace University” course. Lloyd Murphy, president of TNB, approved Kim offering the course to reach out to our community and hosting it at the bank. The first offering was June 8<sup>th</sup> on 13 consecutive Tuesdays; Kim facilitated the course. It was a great success. Kim advised that this course really did bring financial peace to her and her husband.

The classes over thirteen weeks will teach you to get control of your money, eliminate your debt, how to stop struggling to make ends meet, tell your money what to do and change your family’s future for the better. The course includes a workbook, audio CD library, Dave Ramsey’s book, budgeting forms, a cash management envelope system and other helpful tools.

Kim and TNB are again offering this course. A preview of the course will be given at TNB on August 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM. The kickoff will be September 8<sup>th</sup>. If you have questions about the course, you can contact Kim at 253-4711 during the day or email – [kim.martin@tuscolanational.com](mailto:kim.martin@tuscolanational.com) .

Sullivan Inter-Club 7/20/09



Ready for a flight?



Elaine & Carol – Almost ready to go!



Visiting and waiting for more members



Mike Durbin – How a Pool Cue is Made



Dave McCabe  
Sullivan President



What's in that bundle?  
Crepe paper everywhere!



Success! – Traveling Gavel

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## Meeting of July 27, 2009

There was a total attendance of 36 members and 2 guests – Alexis, granddaughter of Dan & Patty Russell and our program speaker, Kathy Rhodes.

Interclub Report – Sullivan Monday 7/20 – 9 members attended ---- Elaine Bryant, Carol Burwash, David Butler, Janet Butler, Sherrie Hoel, Tim Hoel, Betty Leonard, Jerry Leonard and Kathryn McCumber. Plane rides, tractor rides, a tasty pork chop dinner and a talk on the making of pool cues by Mike Durbin made for an enjoyable meeting. It took Dave McCabe, Sullivan club president, a bit of time to get through all the crepe paper to find the traveling gavel. Jerry Leonard and David Butler... thank you for driving!!

Janet Butler reported that the August issue of the Tuscola Community Newsletter showcased our club as the “Not-For-Profit of the Month.” If you would like to receive a copy, email your request to: [brian.moody@tuscola.org](mailto:brian.moody@tuscola.org)

Kiwanis Family Picnic Reminder – Be sure and let Wayne know if you will be attending the Kiwanis Family picnic at his home Sunday 8/16. Bring a dish to share; we’ll eat about 5p.

Semi-annual Dues – If you haven’t paid your dues, the \$50.00 per member is now due.

Members were asked to start thinking about submitting two prospective members’ names for our annual recruitment dinner. Details will be provided next meeting.

Clarice Hausman reminded members that Judy Weber-Jones would be presenting to the Tuscola School Board regarding starting a Team Safe Driving program today. The meeting is at East Prairie at 7:30PM. Come out and show your support!



Judy Landeck introduced our guest speaker, Kathy Rhodes. Kathy is the president of The Tuscola Community Foundation. The purpose of her program was to educate members about the foundation’s structure, activities and grants.

The foundation administers gifts, bequests and donations for agencies, corporations and other tax exempt sources for the benefit of the residents of the community. It was established in 1994 as a publicly supported non-profit corporation. Programs and services are funded from both its unrestricted (general fund) and its restricted funds. The ten members of the Board of Directors are made up of representatives of the community: Agricultural, Education, Financial, Industrial, Legal, Municipal, Religious and three at-large members. Terms for directors are limited to two consecutive 3-year terms.

Recent grants include \$1,000 to the North Ward library, \$9,900 to the Douglas County Health Department for senior services, \$1,500 to the North Ward breakfast program, \$13,500 for the Mid-Illinois Senior Services Agency and \$1,143.57 for the Nunn Scout Building. The foundation awards several scholarships to graduating TCHS seniors each year. If you would like to make a donation to the foundation, send it to: The Tuscola Community Foundation, PO Box 252, Tuscola, IL 61953.

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### **Three Generations of Kiwanians**



Three Generations of Kiwanians!!  
Paul Jones, Kim Higgins & Casey Higgins

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### **Highlights of July 2009 Board Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was called to order on Wednesday, July 1<sup>st</sup> by President Janet Butler, with the following members present: David Butler, Janet Butler, Janet Cox, Candy Hudson, Don Miller, Kevin Nolan, Dan Russell, Wayne Ward and Gary Weber.

The following items of business were discussed:

1. Minutes of June 2009 Board Meeting – A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as edited. Minutes approved.
2. June 2009 Monthly Report – There were 21 members participating in the Relay for Life. There were 74 hours of service rendered and a contribution of nearly \$1,500.00 was raised by the Kiwanis Team for the American Cancer Society. There were 412 additional service hours during the month. Meeting attendance for the month was 58%. A motion was made and seconded to approve the previous month's minutes. Report approved.



3. Treasurer's Report – Candy Hudson provided copies of the report for Board review. The bank balance as of 7/1/09 was \$6,041.24. A motion was made and seconded to approve the previous month's minutes. Report approved.
4. Requests for Reimbursements – Wayne Ward submitted a bill for supplies (pins, badges, certificates, B.U.G. t-shirt and plaque) ordered from Kiwanis International. A motion was made to reimburse the \$149.62. The motion was seconded and approved.
5. Budget Items – A motion was made to pay out two budgeted donations - \$100.00 to the Tuscola Soccer League and \$100.00 to the Junior Football League. The motion was seconded and approved.
6. Children's Miracle Network – There is \$100.00 in the budget most of which will be collected from recycling ink cartridges. Action was postponed on this item until month when we will know how much is available from the ink cartridges. To receive a banner patch the donation must be made by September.
7. Spastic Paralysis Donation at I-I District Convention - \$ .50 per members is contributed at each club meeting for Spastic Paralysis Research. There will be about 1,450 contributions made during this fiscal years for \$725.00. The budget amount had been approved for \$900.00. A motion was made that the donation, made at the I-I District Convention, this year would be \$1,000.00. The motion was seconded and approved.
8. Club Leadership Training – The I-I District will be holding a Club Leadership Training session in Tuscola on July 19<sup>th</sup> from 1p – 5p at Tuscola National Bank. Kevin, Candy and Wayne are registered to attend. Any interested club member can attend to learn about the officer requirements. The cost will be \$5.00 at the door.
9. 4<sup>th</sup> of July Activities – All arrangements have been made for our parade entry. Jerry Hall's son-in-law is providing a truck and trailer. The banners and signs were given to Dan Russell for decorating the trailer. Patty Russell will bring costumes. Assistance by the Chamber is still needed for the Kid Zone and beer tent.
10. I-I District Convention – The convention will be held at the Lincolnshire Marriott Resort, August 6-8, 2009. Online registration deadline is July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Deadline to certify delegates online is July 15<sup>th</sup>. If no other members are planning to attend the convention, Wayne will certify David Butler, Janet Butler and himself as official club delegates.
11. Request for Donation – A letter was received from the Douglas County Senior Service requesting a donation due to State budget cuts. After discussion and the lack of knowledge about the organization, it was decided to invite the Administrator to give a presentation to the club. An envelope could be passed around to members if they wish to make a personal donation.

12. Program Presenter Request – A letter was received from Steve Alexxis requesting to make a presentation about his products/entertainment services. The Board decided that this did not fit our group.
13. BETHS Place – The financial situation that may occur if State funding is cut drastically to BETHS Place was discussed. This will be monitored with the possibility of having a special fund raiser for the agency. No decisions were made.
14. Traveling Gavel – The gavel will be delivered to Sullivan on July 20<sup>th</sup> at their special meeting being held at Durbin Farm. If no other ideas come up, it will be delivered in a crepe paper ball with candy.
15. Tuscola Kiwanis Family Picnic – Wayne told the Baord that he and Joann would like to host a Kiwanis family picnic again this summer. Some dates were discussed and it appeared that sometime in August would be the best. Wayne will determine a date and let club members know.
16. Pending Public Relations – Janet Butler advised that she had two articles, Rail Splitter Wind Farm and the 2010 U.S. Census, prepared to submit to the Tuscola Journal and one article with the Higgins/Jones three generations picture for the Illeiwon. Publicity is very good for the club.

(Full text available on club website)

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Corn Standing Tall – It's Summer!

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New items on the website include: meeting program photos, 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade, Trauma Doll Workshop photos, Sullivan inter-club meeting photos, posted minutes and reports

Please provide any information, pictures, updates and corrections for the newsletter and/or website to: [dbutler@tuscolakiwanis.org](mailto:dbutler@tuscolakiwanis.org) or [jbutler@tuscolakiwanis.org](mailto:jbutler@tuscolakiwanis.org) .