



TUSCOLA KIWANIS CLUB NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 2012

2012 Events

August 3 & 4 (set-up 8/1 & 8/2)	Kiwanis Garage Sale – Forty Martyrs Hall
Wednesday, August 8	Board Meeting – Amishland Buffet, Red Barn
Wed-Sun, August 8-12	I-I District Annual Convention, Springfield, IL
Friday, September 7	Board Meeting – Amishland Buffet, Red Barn

Upcoming Meetings & Program Assignments

August 6	Lorraine Best
August 13	Carol Burwash
August 20	Andy Brzozkiewicz
August 27	Joyce Brzozkiewicz
September 3	<u>No Meeting – Labor Day Holiday</u>
September 10	Peter Buckley
September 17	Maureen Bergeson
September 24	Jan Chappell
October 1	Officer/Director Installations
October 8	Marge Conn
October 15	Linda Damler
October 22	Mike Damler
October 29	Cathy Barnard
November 5	Tammy Baer
November 12	John Davis
November 19	Dave Dobson
November 26	Jeannine Fortney

If your program date does not work for you, please notify Janet Butler as soon as possible so a date swap can be arranged.

**Don't Forget to Give Janet Butler Your August Volunteer Hours
at the end of the month!**

[Click here to enter hours online](#)

Impossibilities in the World

1. You can't count your hair.
2. You can't wash your eyes with soap.
3. You can't breathe when your tongue is out.

Put your tongue back in, fool. #3 is not true.

10 Things I know about you...

- 1) You are reading this.
- 2) You are human.
- 3) You can't say the letter "P" without separating your lips.
- 4) You just attempted to do it.
- 6) You are laughing at yourself.
- 7) You have a smile on your face and you skipped No. 5.
- 8) You just checked to see if there is a No. 5.
- 9) You laugh at this because you are gullible & everyone does it, too.
- 10) You are probably going to try this on someone else to see who falls for it.

Meeting Minutes – July 2, 2012

- Attendance

41 – Members

6 – Guests: Lorraine Best's cousins from Italy, Arianna & Antonella, Joann Ward, Jane Wood, Mabel Larimer and our speaker, John Larimer

- Free Lunch Winner – Ed Wachala

- Birthdays – Darrell Helm 7/1, Diane Pangburn 7/1, Earl Pendergrass 7/3 and Darcey Helmick 7/8

- Brags – Lorraine Best, David Butler, Janet Butler, Judy Landeck, Carol Martin, and Doris Young

- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

Kiwanis International Convention – Janet Butler provided news from the KI Convention in New Orleans. Janet presented Jaci with a commemorative pin. The convention celebrated 25 Years of Women in Kiwanis. The proposed amendment to raise KI dues was not passed with direction from the delegates to return the issue to the KI Financial Committee to look for further cost savings. The proposed amendment to amend the six Objects of Kiwanis failed. The 2012/2013 KI President will be Tom DeJulio – New York District, President Elect Gunter Gasser – Austria District and Vice President John Button – Eastern Canada/Caribbean District. Jim Rochford from our I-I District was voted in as a KI Trustee with a three year term. The 2014 convention will be in Vancouver Canada, 2015 Macao China and for Kiwanis' 100th anniversary in 2016--- Indianapolis, Indiana.

Program:



Jim Wood introduced our speaker, John Larimer. John and his wife Mabel are longtime friends of Jim and Jane

Wood. John is retired after 42 years in Education. John and Mabel are volunteers at the Lincoln Museum in Springfield.

The Lincoln library opened in November 2005 and the museum in April 2006. Funding is from the Lincoln Presidential Library/Museum Foundation, the state of Illinois, donations and admission fees, no funding from the federal government.

The museum includes two journeys...the pre-presidential years and the White House years. There are several galleries with exhibits, a gift shop and restaurant.

During busy times, there are 25-30 buses arriving Monday-Friday. The museum is a field trip destination for many school students. The museum is open daily from 9AM – 5PM. There is an admission fee unless you are a member. The current temporary exhibit covers weapons and medicine from the Civil War.



Meeting Minutes – July 9, 2012

- Attendance

34 – Members

2 – Guests: Soon-to-be-member Nick Sebastian and our speaker, Jim Allen.

- Free Lunch Winner – Dave Dobson

- Birthdays – Lorraine Best 7/14

- Brags – David Butler, Mike Damler, Linda Damler, Pat Damler, Jeannine Fortney, Debbie Graber, Carol Martin, Topy Mooday, Wayne Ward, Gary Weber, and Jim Wood

- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

Point of Light – Fellow Kiwanian Clarice Hausman was presented the 2012 Point of Light award from the City of Tuscola.

Congratulations, Clarice!!!

Annual Kiwanis Family Picnic – Wayne and Joann Ward are again hosting the annual Kiwanis family picnic on Sunday, July 22. Bring a side dish and your appetite. Games and fun; dinner about 5PM. Bring your family, children and/or grandchildren.

Annual Membership Recruitment Dinner –

Our annual dinner will be August 23 at 6:30PM at the Red Barn buffet. Cost is \$12.00 per person including dinner and tip. Members who bring a prospective member will be put in a drawing; five free dinners will be given. Prospective member guests' dinner are paid by the club. RSVP to Carol Burwash by Monday, August 20.

Raffle Winner – Fellow Kiwanian Topy Mooday won the Tuscola Woman's Club/ArtCo Car or \$10,000 Cash raffle. Topy select the cash.

Congratulations, Topy!!!

Kiwanis Dues – If you paid \$50.00 in January, the remaining 2012 Kiwanis dues of \$50.00 is due to Candy by July 31.

Program:



Doris Young introduced our speaker, Jim Allen. Jim is an expert regarding tornado shelters and shared some of his

expertise and tips with us.

There are below and above ground shelters. It is important to plan ahead and place supplies in the shelter in advance. Supplies should include: water, food, blankets, radio, flashlight, batteries, 5-gal bucket, and extra clothing.

In shopping for a shelter, ask if the shelter is certified, is it reinforced every two feet, how is it anchored, does it have air vents and does the door open in from the outside?

If you would like more information about a tornado shelter, go to:

www.allentornadoshelter.com

Meeting Minutes – July 16, 2012

- Attendance

42 – Members

0 – Guests

- Free Lunch Winner – Kim Higgins

- Birthdays – April Kauffman 7/22

- Brags – Elaine Bryant, David Butler, Mike Damler, Pat Damler, and Tim Hoel

- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

New Member Approved – At the July 11 Board meeting, Nick Sebastian, sponsored by Tom Sturgis, was unanimously approved for membership.



Welcome, Nick!!!

Garage Sale – The club's garage sale is fast approaching. Sign-up sheets continue to go around. Items can be brought to Forty Martyrs Hall from Noon – 7PM on Wednesday August 1 & Thursday August 2.

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Program:



Our speaker today was member Pat Damler. Pat participates in Project Lifesaver and Douglas County

Search and Rescue. Project Lifesaver began in 1999. Its purpose is to locate persons with autism, Alzheimer's, Down syndrome, dementia, or related diseases/disabilities that have become lost. A \$5,000 grant enabled Douglas County to purchase radio frequency tracking equipment.

Each client wears a personalized wristband costing \$250-\$300, that emits a tracking signal. A rescue team uses a PLI 3000 receiver to track and find the person, usually within an hour or less.

Receiver>



Meeting Minutes – July 23, 2012

- **Attendance**

46 – Members

1 – Guest: Stephanie Terwelp, our speaker

- **Free Lunch Winner** – Vera Nauta

- **Birthdays** – Jim Wood 7/24

- **Brags** – Maureen Bergeson, Carol Burwash, Janet Butler, Jan Chappell, Mike Damler, Darrell Helm, Tim Hoel, Betty Leonard, Laura Meyer, Topy Mooday, Vera Nauta, Stephanie Terwelp, and Jim Wood

- **News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities**

Annual Kiwanis Family Picnic – 35 members and 11 guests attended the picnic, hosted by Wayne & Joann Ward on Sunday, July 22. This might be a new attendance record! Great food and fun had by all. See photos in this newsletter, more on our website. Linda Damler made a great suggestion that in the future members could form a set-up committee to help Wayne with the tables and chairs for the picnic.

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Museum Music Event – As a kick-off to the museum's Music!Music!Music! exhibit, the Douglas County Museum is hosting a concert of local bands/musicians on Saturday August 11 from 11A – 8P. There will be an inside and outside stage. A sign-up sheet was passed around asking members to help in the kitchen for the event.

Program:



Janet Butler introduced our speaker, Stephanie Terwelp. Stephanie is a Kindergarten teacher at

North Ward School. Janet knows Stephanie from volunteering two mornings a week assisting in Stephanie's classroom.

Stephanie's topic was an International Kindergarten Pen Pal program that her class participated in during the last school year. The program started with 40 classes around the world. The locations included 14 states, 2 Canadian provinces and 6 other countries.

The classes exchanged postcards. Stephanie's class' postcard was a picture of the students on one side, and on the other side was information about the class, North Ward, Tuscola and Illinois. Stephanie hopes they can expand the program this coming school year to include Skyping with some locations. Students learn more geography, math, social studies, writing, reading and technology by participating in this pen pal program. The kids love it!

Meeting Minutes – July 30, 2012

- **Attendance**

39 – Members

4 – Guests: Decatur Early Birds Interclub-Rich Barnett, Bob Byrkyt, Chuck Zweck, and Carey Wood-guest of Jan Chappell

- **Free Lunch Winner** – Jan Chappell

- **Birthdays** – Tom Stephenson 8/3, Jeannine Fortney 8/4, Candy Hudson 8/4

- **Brags** – Jan Chappell, Clarice Hausman, Darrell Helm, Kathryn McCumber, and Wayne Ward

- **News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities**

Kiwanis Garage Sale – Reminder...drop off items Wed 8/1 & Thur 8/2 Noon – 7PM; Sale Fri 8/3 8AM-4PM & Sat 8AM-3PM at Forty Martyrs Hall.

Clinton Interclub – David Butler, Janet Butler, Jeannine Fortney, Sherrie Hoel, Tim Hoel and Gary Weber attended an interclub meeting with Clinton on July 24.

Annual Membership Recruitment Dinner – Reminder...our annual dinner is August 23 at 6:30PM at the Red Barn buffet. Cost is \$12.00 per person including dinner and tip. Don't forget to RSVP to Carol Burwash by Monday, August 20.

Program:



Carol Beals is a retired teacher from the Unit 7 Schools (Tolono, Philo, Pesotum, Sadorus and Sidney). One of her passions is the West Woods at the Unity West School. This area started out as a piece of unusable wetland on the school property. When the school was opened, teachers were asked (Carol was teaching at that time) to work together and come up with ideas to give the new school an identity. Carol took continuing education science classes with some of the other teachers, and they came up with the idea of creating a woods in the wetland area. They contacted the Champaign County Forest Preserve, and they agreed to partner in the project.

Over 100 trees, two of each kind, common and/or native to Illinois were planted. The fledgling forest was begun and named West Woods. More trees have been added including a 180 tree windbreak. Students of all grades are involved in planting, weeding, mulching and caring for the trees led by Carol and other retired teachers. Students also learn about the types of trees and how the seasons affect the trees. It is a labor of love for Carol and everyone involved.

Sparks In The Park Parade July 6, 2012

Boy....was it hot!!!! More photos on our website



Kiwanis Family Picnic July 22, 2012

Wayne & Joann, Thank You So Much For Hosting the Picnic!!!!



Many more photos on our website.

July 2012 Board Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at the Amishland Buffet on Wednesday, 7/11/2012 at 12:03 PM by President Jaci Manzella with the following Board Directors present:

x	Lorraine Best (2014)	x	Kim Higgins (2013)	x	Jaci Manzella – Pres.
x	Janet Butler – Secy	x	Sherrie Hoel (2012)		Steven Niemann (2012)
x	David Butler – Webmaster	x	Tim Hoel (2013)	x	Alan Shoemaker P-Elect
x	Mike Damler – Past Pres	x	Candy Hudson – Treas.		
x	Pat Damler – V.P.	x	Jerry Leonard (2014)		

The following items of business were discussed:

1. Minutes of June Board Meeting – Kim Higgins made a motion that the Board Meeting Minutes be approved as submitted. Mike Damler seconded the motion and it was approved.
2. June Monthly Reports – Janet had emailed Board members an advance copy of the KI and Tuscola monthly reports to review. The number of volunteer hours was 550 service hours. Sherrie Hoel made a motion that the reports be approved and submitted. Alan Shoemaker seconded the motion and it was approved.
3. Treasurer’s Report – Candy had emailed the report to Board members for review. As of 7/11/12 the current balance in the Treasury is \$11,051.90 which includes \$1,092.60 for the Eliminate Project and \$156.40 for the 2013 Easter Egg Hunt. Tim Hoel made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Jerry Leonard seconded the motion and it was approved.
4. Reimbursements/Disbursements – Janet Butler requested reimbursement for newsletter postage in the amount of \$76.62. Mike Damler made a motion to approve. Lorraine Best seconded the motion and it was approved. Janet suggested that the following budgeted items be disbursed: Can Do For Classrooms \$100.00, Jr. Football League \$100.00, North Ward Backpack Program \$450.00 and Tuscola Soccer League \$100.00. Jerry Leonard made a motion to disburse the four donations. Mike Damler seconded the motion and it was approved.
5. New Member – Tom Sturgis has submitted his sponsorship of Nick Sebastian for club membership. Nick has submitted the new member information and the new member fee of \$75.00. Jerry Leonard made a motion to approve Nick as a new member. Pat Damler seconded the motion and it was approved.
6. Quilt Donation – Jaci reported that Jan Chappell has agreed to be the chairperson of the red/white/blue quilt raffle. The quilt was donated to the club by Sandy Robinson.
7. Dues – For members who paid \$50.00 in January, the remaining \$50.00 for 2012 dues is due to Treasurer Candy Hudson by July 31, 2012.

8. Membership Dinner – The dinner will be held Thursday, August 23 at the Amishland Buffet at a cost of \$12.00 per person. Board members reviewed the draft letter to members prepared by Carol Burwash. Janet Butler made a motion to approve the letter including providing five (5) free dinners, drawn at random, to members who bring a potential new member, and for the club to provide a free dinner to Nick Sebastian and any other new members joining between now and the dinner. David Butler seconded the motion and it was approved. Jaci said that she would let Carol know so the invitation letter can go out via email to members, with hardcopy being provided to members without email.
9. Museum Fundraiser – Janet Butler requested permission to send around a sign-up sheet for volunteers to help with the August 11 Music Fundraiser at the Douglas County Museum. The musical event will kick off the new Music!Music!Music! exhibit at the museum. Sherrie Hoel made a motion to approve the request. Tim Hoel seconded the motion and it was approved.
10. Next Meetings – The next Board meeting will be Wednesday, August 8. The following Board meetings will be Friday, September 7 and Wednesday, October 3 at noon at the Amishland Buffet. Board members should be sure they have their calendars marked correctly as both months the Board is meeting at a different day than the usual second Wednesday of the month.
11. Adjournment – There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:29 P.M.

Janet Butler
Secretary



Dog Days of Summer

New items on the website include: weekly meeting photos and more. Please provide any pictures, updates and corrections for newsletter or website to:

dbutler@tuscolakiwanis.org or jbutler@tuscolakiwanis.org

(If you need a screen and/or projector for your program, contact David or Janet Butler.)