



# TUSCOLA KIWANIS CLUB NEWSLETTER

**JULY 2009**

## 2009 Events

July 1, Wednesday	Board Meeting – Noon at Tuscany’s
August 5, Wednesday	Board Meeting – Noon at Tuscany’s
August 6-9, Thur-Sun	I-I District Convention – Lincolnshire IL
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

July 6	Katona Hall
July 13	Tim Hoel
July 20	Candy Hudson
July 27	Judy Landeck
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	Janet Cox
September 21	Jerry Hall
September 28	New Officer Installation

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

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Benjamin Franklin said: "When I am employed in serving others, I do not look upon myself as conferring favors but paying debts." Kiwanians serve because we have the ability to serve. We are not giving gifts to others but paying back society for the many benefits and blessings we have received.

*From Inspirational Moments for Kiwanis Occasions*

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### **Meeting of June 1, 2009**

In the absence of President Janet Butler, President-Elect Kevin Nolan conducted the meeting. There was a total attendance of 36 members and 5 guests – Carolyn Adkins, Carmen Morgan, Jennie Sullender, Andrew Sullender and Annie Heinz.

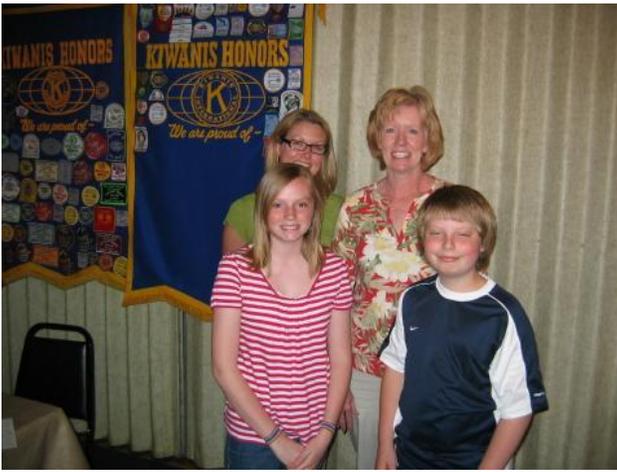
Darrell Helm, team leader for the Kiwanis Relay for Life team, advised that he still needed walkers for some of the time slots. Darrell also reported that all donations should be turned in to him by June 9<sup>th</sup> as he will be attending the "Bank Night" meeting and will turn in the checks. Debbie Graber, Paul Jones and Donna Motley have volunteered to bake cookies to sell. Patty Russell is preparing a basket, themed "Independence Day", for the silent auction.

Kara Kinney reported that more volunteers are needed for the Chamber's "Sparks In The Park" events. She sent around a sign-up sheet for various volunteer opportunities.

Mike Damler read a Thank You note from Mike Ovca for his \$750.00 scholarship. Mike also reported that B.U.G. had 61 students raise their grades. Five students were repeat winners and Sydney Mills raised her grades all 3 times during the 2008/2009 school year. Sydney and her parents will be invited guests at a future Kiwanis meeting. Mike also passed out cards to be sent to the B.U.G. winners.

Jeannine Fortney reported that North Ward is starting a program call "Tiger Times" to assist students who need some extra help. They will meet from 2:30p – 3:15p on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. There will be four students in each group and they will start in about four weeks. The school really needs volunteers to commit to this program. If interested, contact Jeannine.

Kevin reminded Board Members that the June meeting will be Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>.



Program chairperson, John Davis, introduced Carolyn Adkins to present the “Read Across Tuscola” program. Carolyn is the School Unit Librarian. She thanked the club for all of the assistance that Kiwanians provide in the school system.

The “Read Across Tuscola” program was started this year after all of the positive information from the Mattoon program. Since the year had already begun, the Tuscola committee decided to use the

book *Rules* by Cynthia Lord that Mattoon had chosen. For the next year, a committee consisting of students in the 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades has been formed. The committee will have a reading list of books from which they will choose one to be purchased in quantity and distributed within the community. Several businesses have already committed to assist both financially and through participation. The committee is also designing t-shirts that promote literacy.

Annie Heinz and Andrew Sullender presented a skit based on the Rules. They gave a very enthusiastic presentation and did an excellent job!

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### **Kids – You Never Know What They Will Say**

It was that time, during the Sunday morning service, for the children’s sermon. All the children were invited to come forward. One little girl was wearing a particularly pretty dress and as she sat down, the pastor leaned over and said, “That is a very pretty dress. Was it your Easter dress?” The little girl replied directly into the pastor’s clip-on microphone, “Yes, and my mommy says it’s a b\*tch to iron.”

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### **Meeting of June 8, 2009**

There was a total attendance of 41 members and 8 guests – Sydney Mills (our 3-time B.U.G. winner) and her parents, Crystal Pratt & Jayson Mills (Sydney is the great-granddaughter of Kiwanian Jim Wood) and our program people – Judy Weber-Jones, Nick Bode, Joel Hood, Adam Sommer and Eric Sommer.

Members gave a big welcome back to Earl Pendergrass. Earl is back at home and doing well. The Butlers and Hoels surprised Earl with Alaska photos and a CD of photos from their visit with his daughter, Nancy during their Alaska vacation.

Keep Mark Conn and Jan Houser in your prayers. Mark has broken his hip and is a great deal of pain. Jan has had at least one trip to the emergency room with panic attack symptoms, but no official diagnosis as yet.



Mike Damler welcomed Sydney Mills and her parents, Crystal Pratt and Jayson Mills. Sydney was recognized as the first B.U.G. winner to bring up her grades all three times during the 2008/2009 school year.

Janet Butler reported that the museum could use some help moving some items from the museum's warehouse to the museum. A sign-up sheet went around.

Darrell Helm, Kiwanis team leader for Relay for Life, reminded members that the event is this Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6PM and ending Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 6AM. Wayne Ward will provide a shelter and bring our Kiwanis banners. Cookies being provided by Janet Cox, Debbie Graber, Paul Jones and Donna Motley will be sold for \$1.00 for 2 cookies to raise additional funds for the American Cancer Society. Patty Russell is preparing a basket, themed "Independence Day", for the silent auction to also raise funds. Even if you are not on the team, come out and enjoy the evening at East Prairie School. There will be food, fun and activities.

4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade – The club will have an entry in the parade. We are currently looking for a vehicle and trailer. If you can provide one, contact a club officer or board member. Patty Russell has volunteered to provide and help with costumes, as she did for the Sesquicentennial parade. The parade line up begins at 9AM in Ervin Park with the parade leaving the park at 10AM.

Sparks In The Park – The Chamber still needs more volunteers for activities. Contact Kara Kinney if you can help out.

Janet Butler reminded Board members that this Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> was the June Board Meeting at noon at Restaurante Tuscano.



Clarice Hausman, program chairperson, introduced Judy Weber-Jones to begin the program. Judy brought four students with her to assist - Nick Bode, Joel Hood, Adam Sommer and Eric Sommer. The topic was “Project Ignition” for teen driving safety. Judy and Eric showed commercials encouraging safe team driving and discussed projects that the students had done at Gibson City-Melvin-Sibley High School to promote safe driving.

The “License to Live” program pointed out the major causes of teen driving accidents – using cell phones, eating, being sleepy and being distracted.

Judy would like to help start a teen safe driving program here in Tuscola. There are a number of Kiwanians that would also like to see such a program in Tuscola as well.

### **B.U.G. (Bring Up Grades) Program Summary**

The B.U.G. program recognized the following number of students:

2004/2005 school year

	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Time Students</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Time Students</b>	<b>Total Students</b>
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	23	2	25
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	41	6	47
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	32	4	36
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	53	10	63
Total	<b>149</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>171</b>

2005/2006 school year

	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Time Students</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Time Students</b>	<b>Total Students</b>
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	44	4	48
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	30	3	33
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	34	4	38
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	31	5	36
Total	<b>139</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>155</b>

2006/2007 school year

	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Time Students</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Time Students</b>	<b>Total Students</b>
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	24	6	30
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	27	8	35
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	21	3	24
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	26	10	36
<b>Total</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>125</b>

2007/2008 school year

	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Time Students</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Time Students</b>	<b>Total Students</b>
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	46	4	50
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	38	5	43
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	25	1	26
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	30	2	32
<b>Total</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>151</b>

2008/2009 school year

	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Time Students</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Time Students</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Time Students</b>	<b>Total Students</b>
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	29	1	0	30
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	36	1	0	37
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	32	3	0	35
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	29	4	1	34
<b>Total</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>136</b>

**Summary** of school years 2004/2005 through 2008/2009

	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Time Students</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Time Students</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Time Students</b>	<b>Total Students</b>
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	166	17	0	183
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	172	23	0	195
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	144	15	0	159
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	169	31	1	201
<b>Total</b>	<b>651</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>738</b>



Thank you Mike for the wonderful job you do with the students at East Prairie and the Tuscola Kiwanis B.U.G. program!!!!

Look how many students' lives this program has touched in just the last five years.

Mike ---- You're the Best!!!!

Mike & Sydney Mills – our first three-time B.U.G. winner in the same school year. Great job, Sydney!!!

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### Relay For Life – June 13, 2009



Many more pictures on our website.

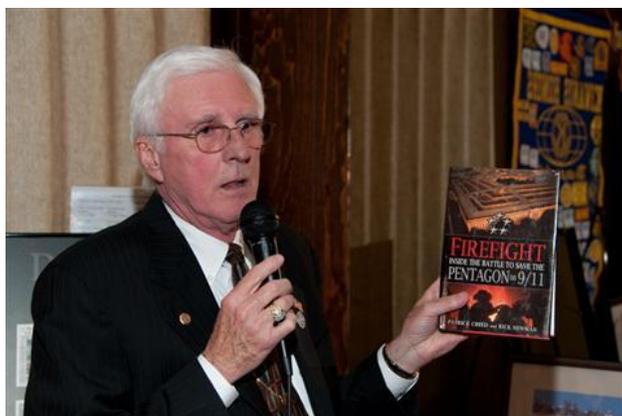
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## Meeting of June 15, 2009

There was a total attendance of 41 members and 20 guests – Kathy Slade, daughter of Kathryn McCumber - Shirley Quinn, wife of Carl Quinn, - Jan Allison, guest of Gary Weber – Clayton Harris, guest of Jerry Hall - Steven Wachala, son of Ed Wachala – James Sapp, Kathy Sapp, Rachel Sapp, Pat Jay, Judy Powell, Aleta Froman and our program speaker, Monte Froman, all guests of Paul Jones and Kim Higgins – Champaign-Urbana Interclub visit included Harold Edwards, Patrick Jolliff, John Lammers, Dennis Rodgers, Chuck Smith, Clyde Smith, Del Wilken and Bob (?).

Congratulations were in order for the Kiwanis Relay for Life team and contributing Kiwanis members. Approximately \$1,500.00 was raised for the American Cancer Society through Relay for Life donations, cookie sales and silent auction basket. A special thanks to Darrell Helm for coordinating everything as team captain! Great job everyone!!!!

Mike reported that the club had received a Thank You note from Courtney Day for her \$750.00 scholarship.



Paul Jones, program chairperson, introduced his nephew Monte Froman to present this very special program about the Pentagon and Monte's experiences on 9/11. Monte was in his Pentagon office on 9/11/2001 when American Airlines Flight 77 crashed into one side of the Pentagon. Monte shared some history of the Pentagon, brought many pieces of memorabilia and related the events that he was part of on that infamous day of 9/11/2001.

The Pentagon is the headquarters of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force as well as housing the offices of the Secretary of Defense and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. The Coast Guard also has a presence there even though during peacetime it is an arm of the Department of Transportation.

Construction began on September 11, 1941. The Pentagon was completed January 15, 1943, just 18 months later. Each of the five wedges was occupied as completed. The Pentagon building covers 29 acres and has 6.5 million square feet of floor area. There are five floors and 17.5 miles of corridors. The center courtyard is 5 acres and there are 67 acres of parking space. The building's cost was almost \$50 million with the 583 acre complex costing of total of \$83 million. The Pentagon is like a small city with its own power plant, water and sewage facilities, a "mayor", police force, fire station, child care center, cafeterias, mini-mall and fast food snack bars. There are about 23,000 employees working in the Pentagon.

On 9/11 when the plane crashed into the Pentagon Monte said that in his area, people's heads were popping up and down in their office cubicles, looking around and asking, "What was that?" There were no alarms going off in his area. People started going over to a television that was on CNN, and realized what was happening. Monte and his co-workers were told to get out of the building. Monte described the evacuation as "organized chaos." He said there was no shouting and no running, just people moving quickly to get out of the building. All the people were to go to their emergency area that was away from the building. Team leaders took roll call to account for people. At one point the groups were told that another plane had been spotted heading for the Washington, D.C. area, and that they were to get to their cars and go home. Monte and the others were told to stay home until notified otherwise. It was impossible to let his wife know that he was OK as phone lines were constantly busy. Later in the day he finally able to get through and let his wife know he was safe.

What had transpired was the plane had approached the Pentagon and banked sharply. It came in so low that it clipped light poles. It slammed into one side of the Pentagon at an estimated 350 miles per hour. The plane penetrated the outer three rings of the five total rings in the building. The jet fuel exploded, which sent a fireball outward from the impact point. About 35 minutes after the crash, a section of the building's west block above the impact zone collapsed, but only after enough time had elapsed for rescue workers to evacuate all injured employees.

Smoke billowed out from the damaged portion of the building, and flames were visible for a time. The lawn in front of the Pentagon became the scene of frantic activity, by both firefighters and numerous Pentagon officials. The fire was so hot that firefighters could not approach the impact point itself until approximately 1 P.M. The collapse and roof fires left the inner courtyard visible from outside through a gaping hole.

America lost 184 people at the Pentagon, victims of this vicious attack. Thankfully, the section that was hit contained mainly newly renovated and unoccupied offices. Monte said that if the terrorists had asked which section to hit, the answer would have been the section that was hit. Many people had not had a chance to move back into their renovated spaces.

The damage to the Pentagon was cleared and repaired within a year. The Pentagon Memorial, a two acre field on the Pentagon's west side, was built on the site and opened to the public on 9/11/2008. The memorial is a place for reflection: a series of 184 steel-and-granite benches, each with its own glowing light pool, all aligned in the direction Flight 77 took on its final path. Tours of the Pentagon are generally available Monday through Friday except federal holidays so people can visit a piece of U.S. History.

Monte Froman was the U.S. Military Entrance Processing Command Liaison in Washington, D.C. from March 1998 until November 2002. He graduated from Tuscola Community High School in 1960. He joined the Air Force in May 1962 and served until his retirement in December 1974. He began his civil service career in February 1975 until his retirement in January 2003. He and his wife, Aleta, reside in Decatur. Monte's awards and decoration include three Commander's Awards for Civilian Service and two Achievement Medals for Civilian Service.



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## Wise Saying

The real art of conversation is not only to say the right thing at the right time, but also to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment.

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## Meeting of June 22, 2009

There was a total attendance of 31 members and 4 guests from Decatur Prairieland – President, Mary Margaret Davidson, Donna Cleland, Betty Clemens & Christina Kareotes.



Mary Margaret Davidson presented President Janet Butler with a piñata containing the traveling gavel. With assistance from Tim Hoel, the gavel was retrieved from the piñata and the candy passed around to share with everyone.

Janet Butler reported the club had some publicity in the Kiwanis International Young Children/Priority One newsletter regarding our Trauma Doll Project. Neil Simmons, past governor of Louisiana-Mississippi-West Tennessee had called her several months ago asking about trauma dolls. Janet told him what our club does and directed him to our website for further information. He summarized the information, used a picture from our website and submitted the article for this newsletter. How cool! The article is on our website. If you want to view it, click [here](#).

Speaking of Trauma Dolls, Janet Boyer announced there will be a Trauma Doll workshop on Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> from 11:30AM to about 3:00PM. It is being held at Janet & David Butlers' home – 114 W Van Allen Street. No sewing skills required! A sign-up sheet went around.

Janet Butler reported that for school year 2008/2009 there were 136 B.U.G. winners from East Prairie. There were 34 winners from 5<sup>th</sup> grade, 35 from 6<sup>th</sup> grade, 37 from 7<sup>th</sup> grade and 30 from 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Not counting the duplicate winners, we were able to touch the lives of 126 students with this program. A B.U.G. t-shirt will be presented to Sydney Mills, our 3-time B.U.G. winner. Kudos to Mike Damler, chairperson of the B.U.G. program!!!!

Carol Burwash, Mike Damler, Jerry Hall and Jerry Leonard are scheduled to attend a Champaign-Urbana Interclub meeting Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup>.

4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade – A sign-up sheet was sent around for the parade. The line-up begins at Ervin Park at 9AM. The parade leaves the park at 10AM. We will be decorating the trailer. Patty Russell has volunteered to provide and help with costumes.

Mike Damler reported that the Key Clubbers are selling green “Earth Friendly” t-shirts as a fund raiser.

Sparks In The Park – The Chamber still needs more volunteers for activities. Contact Kara Kinney if you can help out. Call her at 217-649-7693.

Clarice reported that on July 28<sup>th</sup> there will be a presentation to the School Board regarding support for a teen driving safety program.



In the absence of program chairperson, Darcey Helmick, Janet Butler presented wind farm information from a program presented to Decatur Golden K at their June 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. Their speaker was Roy Schilling from the Rail Splitter Wind Farm. Roy is a longtime retired educator and administrator in the Decatur School System. At 95 he stays active and owns his own wind generator.

Roy grew up on a farm about a mile from Lincoln Illinois; his wife’s family owned land in that area. The Rail Splitter Wind

Farm is located about 9 miles north of Lincoln so Roy knows the area well. Roy defines “wind” as air in motion. As we all know, it can be beneficial and destructive. Wind farms are trying to take advantage of the beneficial side of wind to generate electricity.

The first wind farm was built in New Hampshire in 1979 and it failed. Later wind farms in California had their problems. Studies indicate the Midwest has the kind of wind needed for a successful operation. We are seeing many built in the northern half of Illinois. At present wind farms produce 2% of the electricity needed by this country. President Obama has set a goal of increasing that to 25% by 2020. Germany is the only country that has more wind farms than the U.S.

Illinois has 44 wind farms with more being built. The Rail Splitter Wind Farm has 67 turbines (windmills). Roy's family owns #67. The windmills at the farm are 209 feet high and require 2/3 of an acre. The three blades are 125 feet long and most come from Denmark. The windmills come in three sections, the largest weighing about 30,000 pounds. The windmills are bolted to a massive four foot chunk of concrete buried in the ground. Each section is bolted together with 100 hundred large bolts. The towers are 14.5 feet in diameter and hollow with a ladder for maintenance work. It takes about 200 people for construction of the farm, and about 15 will be retained to maintain the windmills and manage the program.

While not everyone is happy to have wind farms, wind farms do provide benefits and are welcomed by many. The county receives \$8,000 a year for each windmill. The landowners receive \$7,500 each year for each windmill with a guarantee of a 2% increase for a thirty-year contract. When fully completed, the 11,000 acre wind farm should generate electricity sufficient to power 30,000 central Illinois homes.

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### **June 28, 2009 Meeting**

There was a total attendance of 33 members and 1 guest – program speaker, Kevin Jett.

Day Lilies In Bloom – If you enjoyed the pictures of the daylilies from the January 12<sup>th</sup> 2009 program by Rod Kroemer, now is the time to visit 5-Acre Farm Daylilies. Elaine Bryant reported that the farm is having an open house July 4<sup>th</sup> – July 12<sup>th</sup>. Regular Hours are 10a-4p on Friday, Saturday and Sunday or by appointment (call 217-621-8474). Directions: Go north 3-4 miles on Route 130 from Villa Grove. Look for the Bongard Road sign on the right. Shortly after the sign, turn LEFT on W CR 300 N. Go about 1/8 of a mile. The farm is open anytime to daylilies orders online at [www.5acrefarmdaylilies.com](http://www.5acrefarmdaylilies.com). The website contains many gorgeous pictures of available varieties and helpful information.

Sparks In The Park – Kara Kinney reported that the Chamber still needs volunteers for the Kid Zone on Friday 7/3 and Saturday 7/4 afternoons. Contact Kara if you can help out. Call her at 217-649-7693. It's not too late to volunteer!

Various members also reminded the group of some of the Sparks In The Park activities coming up July 3 & July 4:

- American Legion Breakfast – Saturday, South Pavilion 7a-10a. (Pat Damler)
- First Christian Church Pie & Ice Cream Tent – Friday & Saturday. All proceeds will go to the Pinehaven Christian Children’s Rand & School. (Jeannine Fortney)
- Woman’s Club Cake Walk – Saturday, South Pavilion. Noon-2p. (Betty Leonard)

A sign-up sheet went around again for the Trauma Doll workshop on Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> from 11:30AM to about 3:00PM. It is being held at Janet & David Butlers’ home – 114 W Van Allen Street. No sewing skills required! If you are interested and didn’t get a chance to sign up, contact Janet Boyer or Janet Butler.

Janet Butler announced that our club would be featured in the August issue of the City of Tuscola newsletter as the Not-For-Profit Organization of the Month. Great public relations for our club!

4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade – Jerry Hall’s son-in- law has volunteered to provide a truck and long trailer. It is a “low boy” so easy on – easy off. There will be room for many people to ride on the trailer. The line-up begins at Ervin Park at 9AM. The parade leaves the park at 10AM. We will be decorating the trailer. Patty Russell has volunteered to provide and help with costumes. If you are available, even if you didn’t have a chance to sign up, please come out and join us in the park on Saturday!

Wayne Ward returned from the Kiwanis International Convention held in Nashville. It was attended by about 5,000 people. Wayne said it was a wonderful convention and that Paul Palazzolo, newly elected President of Kiwanis International, gave a terrific speech at the convention. Kiwanis International is looking for recommendations from clubs and members for a new worldwide service project. The new Kiwanis International officers and the Trustees of the Kiwanis International Board for 2009/2010 are as follows:

### Officers



Paul Palazzolo  
President



Sylvester Neal  
President-Elect



Alan Penn  
Vice-President

## Trustees



Jerry Peuler



Stewart Ross



Pam Fleming



John Button



Pietro Grasso

Wayne also reviewed the amendments for which delegates voted. Results are as follows:

1. Passed – Any club funds can be used to pay insurance premiums.
2. Passed – Freezing tiered dues levels in qualifying countries for three years.
3. Passed – Transition to a common billing date of October 1 for all clubs.
4. Failed – Eliminate the magazine exemption for spouses.

Carol Burwash, Mike Damler, Jerry Hall and Jerry Leonard attended a Champaign-Urbana Interclub meeting Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup>.

Janet Butler reminded Board members that the July meeting is Wednesday, July 1<sup>st</sup> at noon at Tuscany's.



Kim Higgins, program chairperson, introduced our speaker, Kevin Jett. Kevin's topic was the 2010 U.S. Census. Kevin is a Community Partnership Specialist. The U.S. Constitution requires a census every 10 years. In 1790 there were about 3.9 million residents. In 2000, there were 281,421,906. The estimate for 2010 is 308 million residents.

The goal of the Census Bureau is to ensure that all residents are counted, citizens and non-citizens. The Bureau is developing partnerships with state and local governments, community-based organizations, faith-based groups, schools, businesses, the media and others to reach their goal. These groups, such as Kiwanis, can raise awareness of the census and encourage participation.

Why is an accurate count important? Every year, the federal government allocates more than \$300 billion dollars to states and communities based, in part, on census data. Census data determines how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives. Communities use census data to help plan on where to build new roads, hospitals, schools and more. Businesses use census data to locate supermarkets, new housing and other facilities.

Every household will receive the same 10 question questionnaire. It is printed in five languages. It includes a postage-paid return. Completing the questionnaire is quick, easy and confidential. By law, the Census Bureau cannot share an individual's census questionnaire responses with anyone, including other federal agencies and law enforcement entities. All Census Bureau employees and temporary workers take a lifetime oath of confidentiality that they will never reveal or provide any census data information that they have collected or seen. Confidentiality is taken very seriously.

In February-March 2010 the census questionnaires will be mailed or delivered to all households. The deadline for returning the questionnaires is April 1, 2010. From May to June census takers will visit households that did not return the questionnaire. By law, the Census Bureau delivers by December 2010 population counts to the U.S. President for apportionment.

Remembers.....It's Easy.....It's Safe.....IT'S IMPORTANT!!!!

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

The meeting was called to order on Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> by President Janet Butler, with the following members present: David Butler, Janet Butler, Janet Cox, Mike Damler, Debbie Graber, Clarice Hausman, Candy Hudson, Don Miller, Kevin Nolan, Dan Russell and Wayne Ward.

The following items of business were discussed:

1. Minutes of May 2009 Board Meeting – A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as submitted. Minutes approved.
2. May 2009 Monthly Report –The monthly report lists 22 members providing 70 hours of service to the k-Kids spring picnic. Services by club members during May were: Community Service – 140 hours, Youth Services – 151 hours, Human & spiritual Values – 214 hours and Young Children/Priority One – 16 hours for a total of 521 hours. Meeting attendance for the month was 57%. 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 6/10/09 was \$7,608.50. A motion was made and seconded to approve the previous month's minutes. Report approved.

4. Requests for Reimbursements – Janet and David Butler submitted receipts of \$70.51 for postage costs. A motion was made to reimburse the \$70.51. The motion was seconded and approved.
5. 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>. There are currently 3 delegates registered: David Butler, Janet Butler and Wayne Ward. The club is entitled to 3 voting delegates. If an additional member plans to attend, Wayne could act as a delegate of another club in Division 27 since he is a Past Lt. Governor.
6. July 4<sup>th</sup> Activities – The club needs to confirm the use of a vehicle and trailer for the parade. Jeannine and Beth will check with K-Kids and Janet Cox, Clarice and Darcey will check with Key Club members for participation. Janet Butler will have a sign-up sheet for members to walk or ride in the parade. Volunteers will be needed for Tuscola Chamber activities on July 3<sup>rd</sup> and July 4<sup>th</sup>. It was decided not to provide candy at the parade.
7. Club Leadership Education – The mandatory club leadership education will be held in Tuscola at the Tuscola National Bank on Sunday afternoon, July 19<sup>th</sup>. President, Secretary and Treasurer need to attend in order for the club to receive distinguished recognition for 2009/2010. Wayne, Kevin and Candy plan to attend.
8. Registration as a Charitable Organization – The final approval has now been received from the Illinois Attorney General that the Tuscola Kiwanis Club is registered as a charitable fund raising organization. David will post the letter from the Attorney General on the website. The annual filing fee is currently \$15.00.
9. Y.C.P.O. Newsletter – Janet Butler received a copy of the April 2009 Young Children/Priority One newsletter that contains an article about our club's work with trauma dolls.
10. Traveling Gavel – Prairieland Kiwanis Club will be delivering the traveling gavel to Tuscola on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Janet will check with Charlotte Ballance, Lt. Governor to see where we need to deliver it. Janet asked for ideas to use making the delivery.
11. Future Business Leaders of America – A letter was received from Carson Alexander, Jessica Bosch, Maria DaSilva, Michael Ovca, Taylor Turner and Ms. Jennifer Henry (FBLA Advisor) asking for a contribution for them to attend the FBLA National Leadership Conference in Anaheim, California. The program prepared students for careers in business and business related fields. The cost is expected to be \$800-\$1,000 per student. Each person attending has contributed \$500 of his/her own money for the trip. A motion was made to donate \$200.00. The motion was seconded and approved.

12. B.U.G. Recognition – The Board discussed if the club should do something extra for a student bringing up grades three times in the same school year. Sydney Mills and her parents were guests at a recent meeting and were recognized. A motion was made to order and present Sydney and any future student who achieves the same goal with a B.U.G. t-shirt. The motion was seconded and approved. Wayne will order the t-shirt.

13. Ink Cartridge Collection – The donation for the Children’s Miracle Network will need to be made before October 1<sup>st</sup> to receive a banner patch. Mike will check to see what our current balance is for the ink cartridges. This matter will be discussed at the next Board meeting.

(Full text available on club website)



Mt. McKinley – Denali National Park  
(One of the many highlights of the Butler/Hoel Alaska vacation)

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New items on the website include: meeting program photos, Relay for Life photos, Trauma Doll article, updated minutes and reports

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