



TUSCOLA KIWANIS CLUB NEWSLETTER

JULY 2011

2011 Events

Friday, July 1st	Board Meeting - Noon at Amishland Buffet-Red Barn
Thu-Sun, July 7 th -10 th	Kiwanis Int'l Convention, Geneva, Switzerland
Friday, August 12 th	Board Meeting - Noon at Amishland Buffet-Red Barn
Thu-Sun, August 4 th -7 th	I-I District Convention, Davenport, IA

Upcoming Meetings & Program Assignments

July 4	No Meeting – 4 th of July
July 11	Jan Chappell
July 18	To Be Determined
July 25	Janet Cox
August 1	Sherrie Hoel
August 8	Linda Damler
August 15	Marge Conn
August 22	Pat Damler
August 29	David Dobson
September 5	No Meeting – Labor Day Holiday
September 12	Debbie Graber
September 19	Clarice Hausman
September 26	Darrell Helm
October 3	New Officer/Bd Member Installation
October 10	Kim Higgins
October 17	John Davis
October 24	Diane Pangburn
October 31	Candy Hudson

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 Wayne your July Volunteer Hours
at the end of the month!**

[Click here to enter hours online](#)

School Excuses
(Our Retired Teachers/Principals Have Probably Heard Them All)

The following are excuse notes from Arkansas, Kentucky, Tennessee, West Virginia and Mississippi parents (unedited, including original spellings) collected by the University of Texas:

- My son is under a doctor's care and should not take P.E. today. Please excuse him.
 - Please excuse Lisa for being absent. She was sick and I had her shot.
 - Dear School: Please excuse John being absent on Jan. 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, and also 33.
 - Please excuse Roland from P.E. for a few days. Yesterday he fell out of a tree and misplaced his hip.
 - Chris will not be in school cus he has an acre in his side.
 - Irving was absent yesterday because he missed his bust.
 - I kept Billie home because she had to go Christmas shopping because I don't know what size she wear.
 - Please excuse Jennifer for missing school yesterday. We forgot to get the Sunday paper off the porch, and when we found it Monday, we thought it was Sunday.
 - Sally won't be in school a week from Friday. We have to attend her funeral.
 - Please excuse Jason for being absent yesterday. He had a cold and could not breed well.
 - Please excuse Burma, she has been sick and under the doctor.
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Meeting Notes – June 6, 2011

- Attendance

36 - Members

0 - Guests

- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

Skip-A-Meal – Club members donated \$263.00 to Kiwanis International’s Children’s Fund for the Skip-A-Meal program.

Scholarship Thank You Notes – The club received thank you notes from our TCHS Scholarship winners, Claudia Christy and Lydia Swinford. Our club and its members have donated \$16,000 towards TCHS scholarships since 1999.

Bring Up Grades – Sixty-six students were honored as 3rd Qtr B.U.G. winners with 10 of the 66 being double winners, and Connor Baer being a three-time winner. During the 2010/2011 school year, 198 students were B.U.G. winners with 34 achieving the recognition twice and one student, Connor Baer three times.

I-I Convention Delegates – In August Pat Damler, Darrell Helm and Tim Hoel have been named our convention voting delegates for the I-I Convention in Davenport Iowa.

Program:



In follow-up to Andy’s presentation last week, Joyce Brzozkiewicz told “The Rest of the Andy & Joyce Story.” Andy and Joyce lived in Palatine, Illinois for 32 years before purchasing their home in Tuscola. A daughter and her family living in Tuscola is what brought Andy and Joyce here.

When the “Couch” home was purchased, Andy was retired but Joyce was still working. When the renovations started, Joyce and Andy would spend 3 days in Tuscola and 4 days in Palatine. In December 2003, Joyce also retired, and they moved to Tuscola full-time.

Joyce showed many before and after photos during the renovation process. Major changes were made including adding windows to the home. In addition to major home renovations, lots of work was done outside including landscaping, and the recent addition of a sunroom.

Meeting Notes – June 13, 2011

- Attendance

43 - Members

8 – Guests: Brad Pullen, guest of Jaci Manzella, Champaign interclub-Darrell Boege, Paul Clinebell, Bob Hartman, Chuck Smith, Clyde Smith and Tim Wild, and our speaker, Dr. Sally Foote

- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

Kiwanis International Children’s Fund – Janet Butler and Wayne Ward were recognized by KI for being Sustaining Donors for the KI Children’s Fund.



Program:



Carol Burwash introduced our speaker, Dr. Sally Foote, DVM. Sally is a 1984 graduate from the veterinary school at the University of Illinois. She came to Tuscola upon purchasing the practice of Dr. Smith almost 23 years ago. Sally’s practice is small animals and behavioral medicine, positive reinforcement through rewarding.

Sally places a lot of focus on pet wellness through diagnostics, treatment and prevention. Her practice is “pet-centered” with Sally and her staff wanting a calm, happy pet. Gentle handling and treat rewards go a long way to makes pets more comfortable at her office. Sally and her staff match the treat to the pets’ preferences.

She has developed and documented her techniques in this area that she plans to share with other veterinarians.

Meeting Notes – June 20, 2011

- Attendance

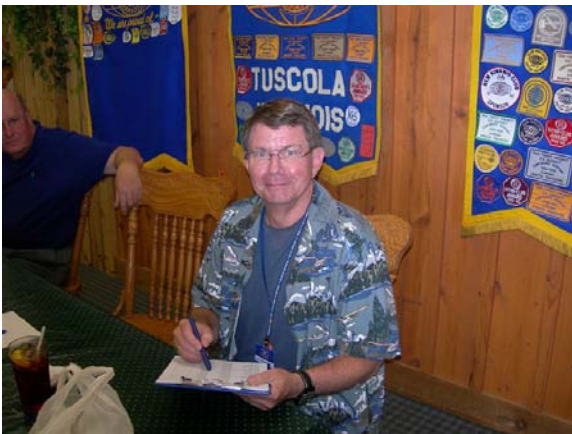
34 - Members

0 - Guests

- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

Interclub Meeting – Topy Mooday and members will be attending an interclub meeting with Decatur Noon at Tuesday, 6/21.

Program:



David Butler provided a program of television trivia. David gave the character's name, and members guessed the show. Candy prizes were awarded. If the member could also give the actor's name, he/she was given an additional prize. Mike Damler and Kevin Nolan won the maximum number of twelve prizes.

Meeting Notes – June 27, 2011

- Attendance

31 - Members

0 - Guests

- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

Skip-A-Meal – Mike Damler read a thank you letter from Kiwanis International for the \$263.00 donation made by members for the Children's Fund through the Skip-A-Meal program.

Interclub Meeting – Jeannine Fortney, Betty Leonard, Topy Mooday, Donna Motley and Doris Young attended the 6/21 meeting of Decatur Noon. Donna, in particular, had a great time....she won the 50/50!

Meeting Reminders – No regular meeting on July 4th; Board meeting on July 1st.

Program:



Janet Butler provided the program covering the history of Russian Easter Eggs, a little Russian history during the time of Czar Alexander III and Nicholas II, and with the majority of the program showing pictures of the Faberge Imperial Easter Eggs, narrating each egg's story.

Selected Faberge Imperial Easter Eggs from 6/27/11 Program



Catherine the Great Egg



Fifteenth Anniversary Egg



Alexander Palace Egg



Caucasus Egg



Coronation Egg

For more photos/information go to: <http://www.mieks.com/faberge-en/1885-Hen-Egg.htm>

June 2011 Board Meeting Highlights

The meeting was called to order at the Red Barn on Friday, June 3, 2011 at 12:05PM by President, Mike Damler, with the following members present: Janet Butler, David Butler, Mike Damler, Sherrie Hoel, Tim Hoel, Kim Higgins, Candy Hudson, Jaci Manzella, Don Miller, Alan Shoemaker, Wayne Ward and Gary Weber.

1. May Meeting Minutes – A motion was made and seconded to approve the meeting minutes. Minutes approved.
2. May Monthly Report – A motion was made and seconded to approve the monthly report as edited. Report approved.
3. Treasurer's Report – As of June 3rd, the checking account balance was \$7,925.53. A motion was made to approve the report. The motion was seconded and approved.
4. Requests for Reimbursement or Budget Requests – A request for reimbursement was made by Mike Damler for B.U.G. postcards in the amount of \$18.60. It was determined that the donation to the Tuscola Swim Team should go to Steve Lacine. A motion was made to approve the disbursements. The motion was seconded and approved.
5. Scholarship Award Process – Mike Damler explained the process for determining the scholarship winners. All 3 winners were Key Club members. There were 9 applicants. Each winner must show proof of going to college before the payment is made. Some suggestions for the future were: 1) make check payable to both the student and the college 2) ask on the application if the student applied for a Pell Grant.
6. Circle K Lt. Governor Request – The Circle K Lt. Governor from the University of Illinois requested a donation to help with expenses to attend the Circle K International Convention in Virginia Beach this summer. A motion was made to send \$50.00. The motion was seconded and approved.
7. Wounded Warrior Donation – Gary Weber brought up that Matt Montavon was doing a walk to raise money for wounded warriors. By consensus, the Board decided to not pass an envelope or make a club donation at this time.
8. I-I Convention Attendees – At the present time, the following members/guests are registered to attend the I-I convention in August in Davenport, Iowa: David and Janet Butler, Mike and Linda Damler, Pat Damler, Darrell Helm and guest, Tim and Sherrie Hoel, Wayne and Joann Ward. From the attendees, three members must be selected as the club's voting delegates. [Note: Mike Damler announced at the 6-6-11 meeting that Pat Damler, Darrell Helm and Tim Hoel would be the club's delegates at convention.]

(Full text available on club website)



The Bounty of Summer!

New items on the website include: weekly meeting photos, BETHS Place clean-up, fish fry dinner 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.)