



TUSCOLA KIWANIS CLUB NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2013

2013 Events

Wednesday, June 12	Board Meeting – Downtown Diner-noon
Wednesday, June 19	Trauma Doll Workshop – Butler home 5:30p
Wed-Sun, June 26 – 30	Kiwanis Int’l Convention, Vancouver, Canada
Wednesday, July 10	Board Meeting – Downtown Diner-noon
Saturday, July 13	Kiwanis Club Leadership Training, Tuscola, IL
Thu-Sun August 8 – 11	I-I District Annual Convention, Naperville, IL

Looking Ahead - 2014 Events

Thursday, April 10	Fish Thaw – Forty Martyrs Hall
Friday, April 11	Fish Fry – Forty Martyrs Hall
Saturday, April 12	Tuscola Easter Egg Hunt

Upcoming Meetings & Program Assignments

June 3	Donna Motley
June 10	Kevin Nolan
June 17	Steve Niemann
June 24	Mary Schultz
July 1	Dennis Opperman
July 8	Patty Russell
July 15	Nancy Runge
July 22	Dan Russell
July 29	Maribeth Opperman
August 5	Art Moss

August 12	Vera Nauta
August 19	Nick Sebastian
August 26	Barb Moss
September 2	<u>No Meeting – Labor Day</u>
September 9	Pat Sturgis
September 16	Tom Sturgis
September 23	Robert Van Cleave
September 30	Ed Wachala
October 7	Wayne Ward
October 14	Gary Weber
October 21	Carey Wood
October 28	Jim Wood

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 June Volunteer Hours
at the end of the month!**

[Click here to enter hours online](#)

Red, White & Blue

A traveler from the Netherlands was visiting the United States. As he was chatting with an American at a bar, the conversation turned to comparisons between the U.S. and the Netherlands.

The American noted that both of their countries' flags were red, white and blue. The visitor from Amsterdam jokingly explained about the red, white and blue in the Netherlands flag.

"Our flag symbolizes our taxes," he said. "We get red when we talk about them, white when we get our tax bill, and blue after we pay them."

"That's the same with us," the American said, "only we see stars, too."



Meeting Minutes – May 6, 2013
Conducted by Pat Damler-President Elect

• **Attendance**

45 – Members

1 – Guest: Lisa Biehl, our speaker

• **Free Lunch Winner** – Patty Russell

• **Birthdays** – Paul Jones 5/10

• **Brags** – Dave Dobson, Jeannine Fortney, and Vera Nauta

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

K-Kids Project – Jeannine reported that the K-Kids raised \$322.00 at North Ward by students bringing in change from pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters. The money will be donated to an orphanage in Chechnya.

Program:



Kiwanian April Kauffman and guest Lisa Biehl from the Douglas County Health Department presented the program. April is the Office Manager and Lisa is the Dental

Clinic Director. The topics were the Dental Program provided by the health department and the Car Seat Program.

The dental clinic began in 2008 and served approximately 2,500 adults and children that year. In 2012 the clinic served over 5,000 patients. About 45% of the clinic's patients are children. Services include check-ups, x-rays, cleanings, fillings, routine dental procedures including more complex services of crowns, root canals and denture services.

The clinic is funded by the State of Illinois, and patients are charged on a sliding scale based on income qualifications. The dental clinic accepts patients with Medicaid and AllKids with standard rates applied. Patients without insurance, that fall under specific income guidelines, are also served and charged standard Medicaid rates-due at the time of service.

Most patients are from Coles, Douglas and Moultrie counties. The clinic is staffed by a dentist, two dental hygienists, several nurses, as well as a medical professional.

Other services available at the Heath Department include monthly clinics:

Immunizations - 1st Thursday (9-11am & 1:30-4pm) and 3rd Wednesday of the Month (3-6pm). Appointment required

Health Screening - Cholesterol & Diabetes Screening, Blood Pressure Check and TB Testing. 2nd Tuesday of the Month 9-11am. No Appointment Necessary

Nail Clinic - 3rd Tuesday of the Month 8:30-11am. Appointment Required

The department's car seat clinics have been funded through an Illinois IDOT grant. In 2012 over 280 car seats were checked and 145 new seats were provided at no cost to the families.

All children of age 8 and under must travel in a child restraint system in vehicles. The car seats should be rear facing until the child is 1½-2 years of age. The health department has free car seats and booster seats. Car seats expire in 6-8 years and also should not be used after an accident. Replacement with new equipment is important.

Meeting Minutes – May 13, 2013
Conducted by Pat Damler-President Elect

• **Attendance**

45 – Members

1 – Guest: Morrie Mendenhall, our speaker

• **Free Lunch Winner** – Tim Hoel

• **Birthdays** – None

• **Brags** – Joyce Brzozkiewicz, Pete Buckley, Janet Cox, Pat Damler, David Butler, Jeannine Fortney, Darrell Helm, Tim Hoel, Jaci Manzella, Dennis Opperman, Gary Weber, Jim Wood, and Doris Young

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

2013 Scholarship Winners – On Honors Day, May 10 President Alan Shoemaker awarded the four \$1,000 Kiwanis scholarships to: Kristin Dickens, Rebecca Maree, Daniel Yoakum, and Key Club member Mackenzie Seip. The winners were selected by the club's scholarship committee: Chairman Mike Damler, Cathy Buckley, Maribeth Opperman, and Mary Schultz. See photos in this newsletter.

Trauma Doll Workshop – The next trauma doll workshop will be Wednesday, June 19 at 5:30PM – 9:00PM at the Butler home (114 W Van Allen). If you would like to attend and have not had a chance to sign up on the sign-up sheet, contact Janet at 253-5107 or jbutler@tuscolakiwanis.org.

June Peace Meals – David Butler sent around a sign-up sheet for Kiwanians to delivery Peace Meals in June.

U.S.P.S. Food Drive – Joyce Brzozkiewicz reported that 2,445 pounds of food and \$125.00 in cash donations were donated during the food drive on Saturday, May 11. This was a partnership between our club and the Tuscola post office for the Stamp Out Hunger Campaign. Great job! The club received a thank you note from Betsy Stuerke for our efforts.

2012/2013 Member Recognition

Nominations – Board members are again asking club members to nominate members for special recognition. See nomination form at the end of this newsletter. The deadline for submitting forms is July 30, 2013 to Pat Damler, chairing the review committee. Pat will then make recommendations to the Board for a final approval.

Skip-A-Meal – Members generously gave \$486.00 for the Children's Fund, part of the Kiwanis International Foundation. Candy will issue the check to KI.

Kiwanis One Day – Twenty Kiwanians successfully completed a spring clean-up for BETHS Place on Saturday, April 13. Great job!

New Member Incentive - Any spouse or member of a current member's immediate family who provides their application and check to Janet Butler or Candy Hudson by September 15, 2013, the new member, one-time fee will be assessed at \$50.00 instead of the usual \$75.00. If a couple joins by this date, the second person would also only be assessed at \$50.00.

K-Kids Picnic – Seventeen Kiwanians served at the Spring K-Kids Picnic on May 7. Beautiful weather, fun for all....great job.

Officer/Board Member Elections – Jim Wood, chairman of the nominations committee, reported the candidates for the club's 2013/2014 officers as follows:

- Pat Damler – President
- Tammy Baer – President Elect
- Jerry Leonard – Vice President
- Candy Hudson – Treasurer
- Janet Butler – Secretary
- Alan Shoemaker – Immediate Past Pres.

Wayne Ward made a motion to close the nominations and to accept the new slate of officers. Darrell Helm seconded the motion and it was approved by members unanimously.

Candidates for the club's new Board Members were as follows:

- Peter Buckley – 3 year term
- Margo Blaudow – 3 year term
- Paul Jones - 1 year term (to complete Jerry Leonard's term)

Carol Burwash made a motion to close the nominations and to accept the Board member candidates. Kevin Nolan second the motion and it was approved by members unanimously.

The above officers and Board members will take office October 1, 2013. Board members continuing their term of office are: Lorraine Best, Donna Motley, and Tom Sturgis. See photos in this newsletter.

Program:



Judy Landeck introduced our guest speaker, Morrie Mendenhall, manager of the Tuscola Tanger Outlet Mall. The mall opened in October 1994. Morrie started in the very beginning at the Reebok store. He became mall manager on March 1999.

Morrie appreciates the City of Tuscola support and annual TIF funding as well as the support of the Tuscola community. There have been a number of new stores in the past year or so, and more are expected. Shop Tuscola!



Meeting Minutes – May 20, 2013

- **Attendance**

38 – Members

3 – Guests: Tommy Chappell, grandson of Jan Chappell, Cathy Feldman, guest of Elaine Bryant and Devin Black, our speaker

- **Free Lunch Winner** – Vera Nauta

- **Birthdays** – Susan Hays 5/20 Andy Brzozkiewicz 5/21, Janet Boyer, 5/26, Janet Butler 5/27, Lyn Selen 5/30, Dan Russell 5/31, and Nick Sebastian 6/1

- **Brags** – Janet Butler, Jan Chappell, Mike Damler, Debbie Graber, Paul Jones, and Alan Shoemaker

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

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Program:



Alan Shoemaker introduced our guest speaker, Devin Black – Tuscola Library Director. Devin thanked club members for the \$150.00

donation in support of the library’s summer reading program, “Have Book, Will Travel.” This will be a six week program and registration begins the week of May 27.

The library is planning many other summer events...crafts, classic movies, open house with items from other countries, and more.

Devin also promoted the library’s “Connecting Generations” program. It is a program that connects tech-savvy teenage students with seniors to assist them with computers, tablets, cameras, cell phones, etc.



Note: No meeting May 27 – Memorial Day

K-Kids Picnic – May 7, 2013



The calm before the storm....

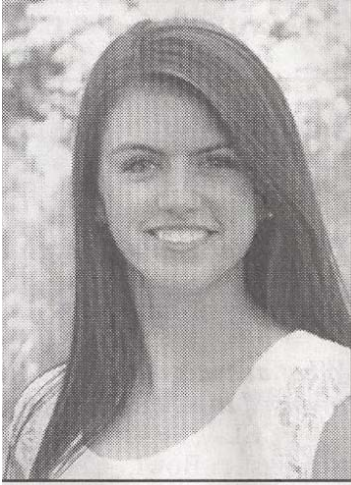


Taste Tester



More photos on our website!

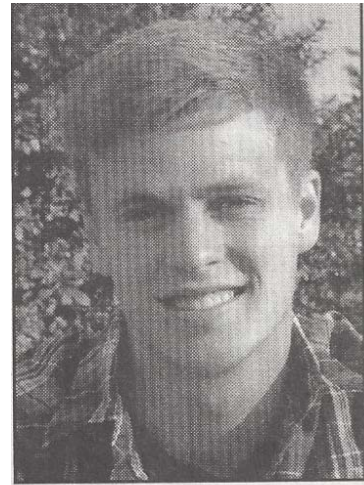
2013 Kiwanis Scholarship Winners



Kristin Dickens



Rebecca Maree



Daniel Yoakum



Mackenzie Seip
Key Club Member

2013/2014 Officers and Board Directors

Officers



Pat Damler
President



Tammy Baer
President Elect



Jerry Leonard
Vice President



Candy Hudson
Treasurer



Janet Butler
Secretary



Alan Shoemaker
Past President

Board of Directors



Dave Butler
Webmaster



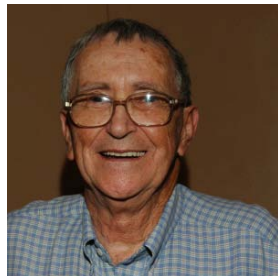
Lorraine Best
Term Expires 2014



Margo Blaudow
Term Expires 2016



Peter Buckley
Term Expires 2016



Paul Jones
Term expires 2014



Donna Motley
Term expires 2015



Tom Sturgis
Term expires 2015

May 2013 Board Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at the Tuscola Downtown Diner on Wednesday, 5/8/2013 at 12:06 PM by President Alan Shoemaker with the following Board Directors present:

x	Tammy Baer – V.P.	x	Kim Higgins (2013)	x	Donna Motley (2015)
x	Lorraine Best (2014)	x	Tim Hoel (2013)		Tom Sturgis (2015)
x	Janet Butler – Secy	x	Candy Hudson – Treas.	x	Alan Shoemaker – Pres.
x	David Butler – Webmaster	x	Jerry Leonard (2014)		
x	Pat Damler – Pres. Elect	x	Jaci Manzella – Past Pres.		Guest: Jim Wood

The following items of business were discussed:

1. Minutes of April Board Meeting – Pat Damler made a motion that the Board Meeting Minutes be approved as submitted. Jerry Leonard seconded the motion and it was approved. The full report is on our website.
2. April Monthly Reports – Janet had emailed Board members a copy of the KI and Tuscola monthly reports to review. The number of service volunteer hours was 759. Lorraine Best made a motion that the reports be approved and submitted. Donna Motley seconded the motion and it was approved. The full reports are on our website.
3. Treasurer’s Report – Candy had emailed the report to Board members for review. As of 5/8/13, the current balance in the Treasury is \$17,184.48. Candy reported that \$486.00 was collected from member for the Kiwanis International Foundation Children’s Fund through Skip-A-Meal. Jerry Leonard made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Kim Higgins seconded the motion and it was approved. The full report is on our website.
4. Reimbursements/Disbursements – Janet Butler requested reimbursement of \$177.79 for secretary supplies from the Kiwanis store. Janet also recommended that the club pay out the budgeted \$200.00 to the Torpedo Swim Team, the \$486.00 for Skip-A-Meal to KI, an additional \$90.00 to Kiwanis International Foundation to complete the club’s annual donation of \$6 per member, and to allocate \$226.56 to the 2014 Easter Egg Hunt. Jaci Manzella made a motion to approve the request and recommendations. Lorraine Best seconded the motion and it was approved.
5. Dues Update – All dues for club members are paid and up to date.
6. Music Programs & Computers for Kids Fundraising Committees – Alan reported that the committee is looking at a fundraiser during Homecoming Weekend, possibly a breakfast. No updates were provided for the Music Programs Committee by chairperson Tammy Baer.

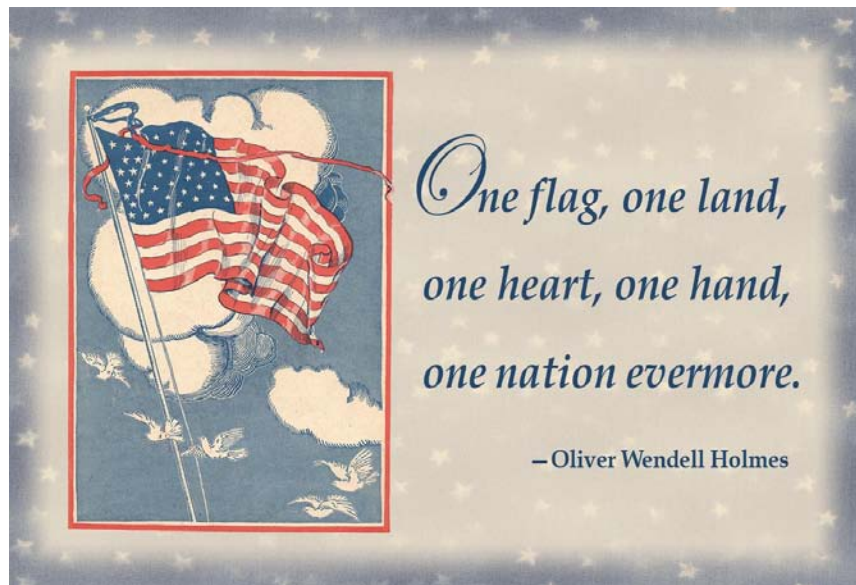
7. Membership Recruitment – Last meeting Alan and Janet discussed with the Board an idea to help recruit new members before 9/30/13. The idea was to offer a reduced new member fee of \$50.00 (instead of \$75.00) to new members who are the spouse or possibly part of a current member’s immediate family if they join before 9/30/13. Janet Butler made a motion that for any spouse or member of a current member’s immediate family who provides their application and check to Janet Butler or Candy Hudson by September 15, 2013, that the new member, one-time fee will be assessed at \$50.00 instead of the usual \$75.00. If a couple joins by this date, the second person would also only be assessed at \$50.00. Kim Higgins seconded the motion and it was approved. Janet Butler will provide “new member” forms for the front desk of our meetings. The form is also on the club website under “About Us.”
8. 2012/2013 Distinguished Club Criteria – The Board will review the criteria at its June meeting to check the status of the club’s progress.
9. Kiwanis One Day – Twenty members helped with the BETHS Place outside clean-up. Great job!
10. Skip-A-Meal – Members generously gave \$486.00 in Skip-A-Meal donations for the Kiwanis International Foundation Children’s Fund.
11. K-Kids Picnic – Seventeen Kiwanians hosted the K-Kids picnic on May 7 with the 4th grade teachers. The weather was beautiful and the K-Kids had a good time. Great job!
12. Election of 2013/2014 Officers/Board Members – Jim Wood, chairman of the nominating committee, reported that candidates for all positions had been confirmed. On Monday, May 13, 2013 Pat Damler for President, Tammy Baer for President-Elect, Jerry Leonard for Vice President, Candy Hudson for Treasurer, Janet Butler for Secretary, Margo Blaudow for a 3-year Board Director term, Peter Buckley for a 3-year Board Director term and Paul Jones for a 1-year Board Director term will be put forward for the membership’s voting.
13. Club Member Recognition – Last year the club asked members to nominate fellow Kiwanians for special recognition for 2011/2012. After discussion, Janet Butler made a motion to continue the practice for 2012/2013. Tammy Baer seconded the motion and it was approved. Pat Damler volunteered to chair the evaluation committee which makes its recommendations to the Board for approval. Copies will be available at the front desk of our meetings and on the club’s website. Nominations must be submitted to Pat Damler no later than July 30, 2013.

14. Financial Review Committee – After discussion, Pat Damler made a motion for David Butler and Donna Motley to serve as the financial review committee and to review the club’s financial transactions of January-December 2012. Jaci Manzella seconded the motion and it was approved.

15. Next Meeting – The next Board meeting will be Wednesday, June 12, 2013 at the Downtown Diner at noon.

16. Adjournment – There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:47 P.M.

Janet Butler – Secretary



Don't Forget Flag Day - June 14

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.)



2012/2013 NOMINATION FORM

Tuscola Kiwanis Club

Members,

Would you like to nominate a fellow Kiwanian for recognition for the 2012/2013 Kiwanis year? The Board will review nominations, after considering the Nominating Committee's recommendations, and award a "Kiwanian of the Year Award" and/or "Distinguished Service Award(s)", as deemed appropriate. Award(s) will be presented after September 30, 2013.

Please complete this form to nominate a member for a 2012/2013 award:

Your Name _____

Name of the Person you are nominating _____

Why should this Kiwanian be recognized by the club?

Club Participation (Consider service project and fundraiser participation, meeting/district meeting/convention attendance, assisting with meeting tasks, bringing new ideas forward, etc.)

Club Leadership (Consider officer, Board director, committee chairperson/co-chairperson participation and any other activities that show leadership in the club.)

Volunteerism (Consider volunteering related to club and community activities.)

What special thing(s) did this Kiwanian do this year that should be recognized?

Attach additional pages if needed.

- RETURN TO PAT DAMLER NO LATER THAN JULY 30, 2013 -