



# Kiwaniis®

## CLUB OF TUSCOLA

**NEWSLETTER**

**MARCH 2018**

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### 2018 Events/Activities

|                               |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Wednesday, March 14           | Board Meeting – The Smith House             |
| Saturday, March 17            | Easter Egg Hunt – Ervin Park (rain – 3/31)  |
| Thur March 22/Friday March 23 | Fish Fry Thaw/Dinner – Forty Martyrs Hall   |
| Wednesday, April 11           | Board Meeting – The Smith House             |
| Saturday, April 14            | Pancake Breakfast – Forty Martyrs Hall      |
| Thursday, April 26            | Ervin Park Playground Cleanup               |
| Saturday, April 28            | Medicine Collection Drive-Thru – Ervin Park |
| Saturday, June 16             | Relay For Life – TCHS (2p-10p)              |
| Wed-Sat, July 25-28           | Kiwaniis Garage Sale                        |
| Saturday, September 29        | Homecoming Pancake Breakfast – Comm. Bldg.  |

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### Upcoming Meetings & Program Assignments

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| March 5  | Paul Wisovaty       |
| March 12 | Easter Egg Stuffing |
| March 19 | Tammy Baer          |
| March 26 | Doris Young         |
| April 2  | Wilma Allen         |
| April 9  | Bill Bauer          |
| April 16 | Wayne Ward          |
| April 23 | Carol Beals         |
| April 30 | Maureen Bergeson    |
| May 7    | Margo Blaudow       |

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|-----------|----------------------------------|
| May 14    | Elaine Bryant                    |
| May 21    | Andy Brzozkiewicz                |
| May 28    | <b>NO MEETING – Memorial Day</b> |
| June 4    | Joyce Brzozkiewicz               |
| June 11   | Marci Shoemaker                  |
| June 18   | Cathy Buckley                    |
| June 25   | Pete Buckley                     |
| July 2    | Dave Butler                      |
| July 9    | Janet Butler                     |
| July 16   | Carol Burwash                    |
| July 23   | Jan Chappell                     |
| July 30   | Marge Conn                       |
| August 6  | Jack Corum                       |
| August 13 | Sharon Corum                     |
| August 20 | Mike Damler                      |
| August 27 | Linda Damler                     |

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

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

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**“Am I Irish? Are you kidding? I was born green!”**

## Meeting Minutes – February 5, 2018

- Attendance

47 – Members

4 – Guests: Devin Black, Jake Golden, guest of Jerry Reynolds, Joe Wills, guest of Barb Wills, Joann Ward, guest of Wayne Ward, and our speaker Tim Kohlbecker

- Free Lunch Winner – Jake Golden

- Birthdays – None

- Brags – Tammy Baer, Pete Buckley, Jan Chappell, Pat Damler, Carol Hausmann, Dave Morgan, Dennis Opperman, and Paul Wisovaty

- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

Music Boosters – The annual Music Boosters Dinner/Concert is Saturday, February 24. Jan Chappell asked for a volunteer to coordinate the Kiwanis tables. Doris Young stepped up and did a great job.

Relay for Life – The club is still looking for a co-chair with Debbie Graber. Contact Jan Chappell or Debbie if you will serve.

Upcoming Events –

Saturday, March 17-Easter Egg Hunt See Janet Butler to sign up

Thursday, March 22-Fish Fry Thaw/Set-up See Pat Damler to sign up

Friday, March 23-Fish Fry Dinner See Pat Damler to sign up

Zeller Presentations - Walter Zeller Fellowship awards were presented to Joann Ward for being the club's "banner patch queen" and Jerry Leonard for his outstanding service as club president.



### Program:



Barb Wills introduced our speaker, Tuscola Girls' Basketball Coach Tim Kohlbecker. Tim talked about his time at the Danville VA leading a PTSD program, and his love of coaching and those experiences.

## Meeting Minutes – February 12, 2018

- Attendance

41 – Members

2 – Guests: Our speakers Rebekah Hopkins and Tish Gulick

- Free Lunch Winner – Topy Mooday

- Birthdays – 2/13 Duane Huffman, 2/20 Erica Leonard, 2/24 Margo Blaudow, 2/25 Eloise Kennedy

- Brags – Carol Hausmann

- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

2018 Relay For Life – The club is still looking for a member to co-chair with Debbie Graber for the June 16 Douglas County Relay For Life event. Contact Jan Chappell or Debbie if you will serve. The new hours are 2PM to 10PM. Pete Buckley and Tim Hoel will serve on the team committee.

Zeller Presentation – A Walter Zeller Fellowship award was presented to Betty Leonard for her many years of perfect attendance and service to the club and our community.



## Upcoming Events –

Saturday, March 17-Easter Egg Hunt See Janet Butler to sign up

Thursday, March 22-Fish Fry Thaw/Set-up See Pat Damler to sign up

Friday, March 23-Fish Fry Dinner See Pat Damler to sign up

Thank You Note – Jan Chappell read a gracious thank you note from Joann Ward for the Walter Zeller award that the club presented to her.

## Program:



Kate Watson introduced our speakers, Rebekah Hopkins and Tish Gulick from Chix in

Training. The women started out with ten people that attended their early morning boot camp. Their priorities are God, Health, and Faith. They are both certified personal trainers and certified sports nutritionists.

They now have sixty people in multiple locations attending their sessions. They emphasize healthy eating and keep moving. They recommend everyone to keep a food journal, including goals, thoughts, etc. People need to find fun ways to get exercise so that they will stay with it.

The club enjoyed the hula-hoop demonstration by Jan Chappell. Go girl!

## Meeting Minutes – February 26, 2018

### • Attendance

44 – Members

1 – Guest: Our speaker, Rev. Ralph Deal

### • Free Lunch Winner – Judy Schenkel

### • Birthdays – 3/4 Pat Sturgis

### • Brags – Maureen Bergeson, Dave Butler, Pat Damler, Sherrie Hoel, Betty Leonard, Topy Mooday, Dave Morgan, Alan Shoemaker, Barb Wills, and Doris Young

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

2018 Relay For Life – The club is looking for a member to co-chair with Debbie Graber for the June 16 Douglas County Relay For Life event. Contact Jan Chappell, if interested. The new hours are 2PM to 10PM. Pete Buckley and Tim Hoel will serve on the team committee.

Medicine Collection Drive-Thru – Dave Morgan reported that the club is partnering with the Tuscola Police Chief, Craig Hastings, and his department to collect expired/unused prescription and over-the-counter drugs on Saturday, April 28 from 9a-12p at Ervin Park. No liquids or needles will be accepted. Dave will recruit volunteers for the event.

Relay for Life Cardinals Baseball Game – There are tickets available for this August game. See Debbie Graber or Jan Chappell.

## Upcoming Events –

Saturday, March 17-Easter Egg Hunt See Janet Butler to sign up

Thursday, March 22-Fish Fry Thaw/Set-up See Pat Damler to sign up

Friday, March 23-Fish Fry Dinner See Pat Damler to sign up

## Program:



Paul Wisovaty introduced our speaker, Rev. Ralph Deal, minister of the Tuscola United Church of Christ. Ralph held several workshops on different topics last summer and plans to do so this summer. His topic today was “Forgiveness.”

Why forgive? For yourself. Forgiving is letting go of the issue/incident and healing. Grievances cause stress that you don’t need in your life.

Forgiving is a trainable skill. You can be the hero, not the victim. You take control; don’t be stuck in the past. Ralph recommended the book “Forgive for Good” by Dr. Fred Lusken.

Forgiving is a 4-step process:

1. Discovery – identify what needs to be forgiven.
2. Choice - Determine if you want to let go of the grievance. Make a choice.
3. Find – Think of ways to forgive. Walk in the other person’s shoes. Accept we are all flawed individuals. See the person who hurt you from the inside; get inside their world. Recognize their limitations.
4. Power – Accept that you need a power to truly forgive. You can’t do it alone. Get God’s help with prayer and faith. Forgive so that you can be healed.

**TUSCOLA KIWANIS CLUB &  
KIWANIS CLUB OF TUSCOLA ILLINOIS FOUNDATION  
2018 FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at The Smith House on Wednesday February 14, 2018 at 11:55 AM by President Jan Chappell with the following officers, club directors and guests present:

|                           |   |                       |   |               |   |
|---------------------------|---|-----------------------|---|---------------|---|
| Maureen Bergeson (2018)   | X | Candy Hudson – Treas  | X | Guests:       |   |
| Pete Buckley – Pres Elect |   | Carol Martin (2019)   |   | Tammy Baer    | X |
| David Butler – Past Pres  | X | Dave Morgan (2020)    | X | Carol Burwash | X |
| Janet Butler – Secretary  | X | Dennis Opperman - VP  |   | Pat Damler    | X |
| Jan Chappell – Pres       | X | Jerry Reynolds (2018) | X | Val Morgan    | X |
| Tim Hoel (2019)           | X | Doris Young (2020)    | X |               |   |
|                           |   |                       |   |               |   |

Before the start of the meeting, Val & Dave Morgan presented each lady with a red rose for Valentine’s Day. Thank you!

The following items of business were conducted:

1. Minutes of January Board Meeting – Dave Morgan made a motion that the minutes be approved as presented. Tim Hoel seconded the motion and it was approved. Copy of Board meeting minutes are on club website under “Members Area.”
2. January Secretary’s Monthly Reports – Janet Butler had emailed Board members copies of the monthly Tuscola Volunteer Hours report and the Kiwanis International monthly report for their review. There were 903 service hours reported. David Butler made a motion to approve the reports. Doris Young seconded the motion, and it was approved. Copies of the monthly reports are on club website under “Members Area.”
3. February Treasurer’s Monthly Reports – Candy Hudson had emailed Board members a copy of the club and foundation monthly treasurer’s reports. As of 2/14/18, the current balance for the club is \$9,852.22 and the foundation balance is \$8,202.38. Dave Morgan made a motion to approve the reports as submitted. Tim Hoel seconded the motion and it was approved. Copy of treasurer’s reports are on club website under “Members Area.”

4. Disbursements/Reimbursements –

Approved disbursements:

| <i>Club Administrative Account</i>                                | <i>Club Foundation Account</i>  |
|---|---|
| \$25.00 – Reimburse Jan Chappell for Kiwanis background check     | \$500.00 – TCHS Key Club budgeted to assist the club with dues, activities, etc |
| \$15.99 – Reimburse Jan Chappell for ink cartridges               | \$10.00 – Annual Report Secretary of State filing fee                           |
| \$123.17 – Reimburse Wayne Ward for updated placemats             |   |
| \$50.00 – Reimburse Pat Sturgis for club Christmas party expenses |   |

Jerry Reynolds made motions to approve the above disbursements. Janet Butler seconded the motion and it was approved.

5. New Donation Requests – None

6. Builders Club Update – Tammy Baer reported that the club’s service project for February was to stuff trauma dolls. The club will not meet in March due to knee surgery for Duane Huffman, faculty advisor.

7. Key Club Update – Janet Butler reported that \$500.00 in funds had been provided to the club to assist with dues, convention expenses, etc. The club’s dues are now current with Key Club International.

8. Dan Russell Memorial Tree – Jan Chappell advised that a tree would be planted this Spring at East Prairie. The additional cost to include the Kiwanis logo on the plaque is \$50.00 which will be covered by David & Janet Butler. The club does not get to select the type of tree, though a maple has been requested. Mr. Smith advised Jan that the form was out of date, indicating the tree choices.

9. Fish Fry March 23 – The fish thaw will be Thursday, March 22, with the Fish Fry on Friday, March 23. It will be at Forty Martyrs Hall. Chair Pat Damler reported that she is meeting with Pat Sturgis shortly, and all is on track. Signup sheets will follow closer to the event.

10. Easter Egg Hunt March 17 – Rain date is March 31. A request to Tuscola Tourism has been made in the amount of \$250.00 for advertising. Janet reported that she would start the sign-up sheets at our February 26 meeting.

11. Kiwanis One Day Project – The Board agreed that if a date could be worked out, that the club would again do a spring clean-up for BETHS Place. Janet Butler will contact the new director and see if Saturday, May 5 will work. She will report back to the Board.
12. Relay for Life Cardinals Baseball Game – The game is Sunday, August 19 at 1:15pm. The tickets are \$20 for 300 level seats and \$35 for 100/200 level seats. A portion of each ticket will be credited to our Kiwanis “Relay for Life” team. Each ticket includes a hot dog, a soft drink, and pre-game festivities such as dug-out tours, player autograph sessions, and on-field parade. Jan Chappell will be emailing members to see who is interested in going so that the club’s tickets can be ordered online in one group so that the seats will be generally together.
13. Wheel Chair Ramp Information Request – Through the club website, a request came regarding building a wheel chair ramp for a child in Atwood. Jan Chappell will email back Colette McMullen, suggesting she contact the Victory Church in Camargo, and letting her know that our club does not build wheel chair ramps.
14. Citizen’s Against Bullying (CAB) – Tammy Baer was asked to approach our club regarding partnering, participating and/or supporting a summer day camp for our K-Kids, Builders Club, and Key Clubbers with a focus on leadership, standing up for yourself in the right way, etc. Other students from Tuscola would also be welcome to attend. The camp is just in the ideas stage so a curriculum or number of days/half-days have not been determined. The consensus was that the club might be interested. Janet Butler volunteered to check into what resources might be available from the Kiwanis Key Leader program and related costs, although this program is targeted for high school students. Tammy will be attending the next CAB meeting and will gather more information.
15. Old Medicine Drive-Through Collection Service Project – Dave & Val Morgan suggested the club partner with the Tuscola Police Department/Sheriff’s Department to collect old medicine so they are disposed of properly. The Board agreed this would be a good service to our community. The Board discussed the possibility of doing this at the same time as the Ervin Park Playground project in April. Dave Morgan will gather more information for the next Board meeting.
16. Next Board Meeting – The next Board meeting will be Wednesday March 14, 2018 at the Smith House at noon.



17. Adjournment – There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45PM.

Submitted by:  
Janet Butler – Secretary

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*Happy St. Patrick's Day!*

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Please provide any pictures, updates and corrections for newsletter or website to:  
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