



TUSCOLA KIWANIS CLUB NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2010

2010 Events

Wednesday, October 6	Board Meeting - Noon at Tuscano's
Saturday, October 16	Governor's Luncheon – Noon-2p, Champaign
Wednesday, November 3	Board Meeting - Noon at Tuscano's
Wednesday, December 1	Board Meeting - Noon at Tuscano's

2011 Events – Plan Ahead

TBD	Pancake Breakfast
Friday, April 29 th	Fish Fry Supper
Thu-Sun, July 7 th -10 th	Kiwanis International Convention, Geneva
Thu-Sun, August 4 th -7 th	I-I District Convention, Davenport, IA

Upcoming Meetings & Program Assignments

October 4	Officer/Bd Member Installation
October 11	Betty Leonard
October 18	Jerry Leonard
October 25	Jaci Manzella
November 1	Laura Meyer
November 8	Don Miller
November 15	Ben Mingo
November 22	No Meeting – Thanksgiving Week
November 29	Topsy Mooday
December 6	Candy Hudson

December 13	Art Moss
December 20	Christmas Party – details to follow
December 27	Barb Moss
January 3	Donna Motley
January 10	Steve Niemann
January 17	Kevin Nolan
January 24	Dennis Opperman
January 31	Dianna Pangburn

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

**Don't Forget to Give Wayne your October Volunteer Hours
by the end of the month!**

[Click here to enter hours online](#)

Slow Food

My grandson was visiting and asked me one day, “What was your favorite fast food when you were growing up?”

I informed him, “We didn’t have fast food when I was growing up; all the food was slow.”

He replied, “C’mon, seriously. Where did you eat?”

“It was a place called “at home”,” I explained.

“Mom cooked every day and when Dad got home from work, we sat down together at the kitchen table. If I didn’t like what she put on my plate, I was allowed to sit there until I did like it.”

By this time my grandson was laughing so hard, I was afraid he was going to suffer serious damage, so I didn’t tell him the part about how I had to have permission to leave the table.

There were some other things I could have told him about my childhood, if I thought his system could have handled it.

Meeting Notes – September 13, 2010

- Attendance

34 - Members

6 – Guests: Soon to be members-Lorraine Best, Jan Chappell and Robert VanCleave; Riley Smith, guest of John Davis, Ken Steury and Mike Phundstein our speaker.

- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

Free Dinners – The five members who received free dinners from the membership recruitment dinner were Janet Butler, Dave Dobson, Pau Jones, Jerry Leonard and Gary Weber.

K-Kids Picnic – The picnic is scheduled for Monday, 9/27 at Ervin Park.

Inter-Club Meeting – Dave Dobson, Clarice Hausman, Ed Wachala and Gary Weber plan to attend the Paris Noon meeting on Tuesday, 9/14.

Program:



Paul Jones introduced his guest, Mike Phundstein, Manager of Post Office Operations for 82 post offices in our area. Mike has worked for the postal service for 37 years and began in Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

The postal system was created in 1775 by the Continental Congress. Ben Franklin was the first postmaster. Postmasters were originally appointed positions by political leaders.

There are approximately 36,000 post offices with 158 million deliveries every day. In the beginning people had to come to the post office to pick up their mail. During the civil war, city delivery to homes was started. In 1896 rural delivery was began.

The Tuscola post office began December 12, 1857. There have been 25 postmasters to date. There has been a 20% decline in business since 2002, mostly in 1st class mail pieces.

Meeting Notes – September 20, 2010

- Attendance

- 36 Members

- 1 Guest: D. J. Suttle, guest of Casey Higgins, soon to be a member Linda Damler and Jim Kleiss, our speaker.

- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

Governor's Visit – Divisions 25 & 27 are hosting new Governor Larry Forsberg with a luncheon on Saturday, October 16th from noon to 2:00PM at the Hays Recreation Center, 1311 W. Church Street, Champaign. If you would like to attend, please advise Mike Damler before 10-7-10.

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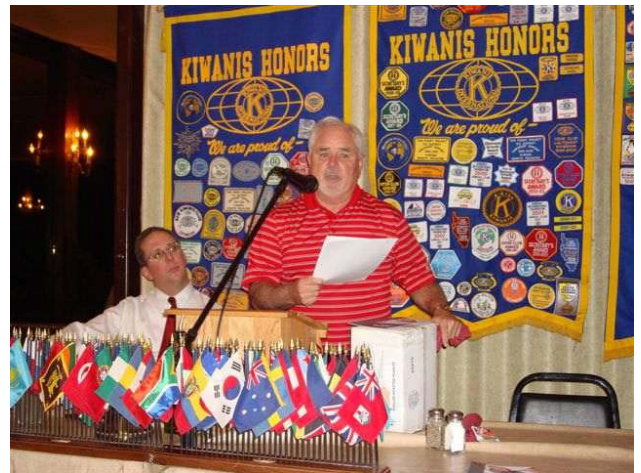
Paris Noon Interclub – Dave Dobson, Ed Wachala and his wife Gayle, and Gary Weber attended the Paris Noon meeting on 9/14. Dave told the group that when he was the principal at Shiloh that he visited Paris often. Dave jumped at the chance to visit again. Here is the poem that Dave wrote and read to the Paris members after Tuscola's introductions:

Tuscola has its Warriors,
Shiloh has its Raiders,
Paris has its Tigers,
Al Kaeda has invaders;
Our team works together,
And still has lots of fun,
And you and us as teammates,
Make Kiwanis number one!

Peanut Sales Results – After expenses, the club raised about \$3,000.00 with our peanut fundraiser.

Thank You Note – The club received a thank you note from the teachers and staff of the Tuscola School District for co-sponsoring with Tuscola Rotary Club their Begin-The-Year meal.

Program:



Jim Kleiss, from Tuscola Rotary, talked about the upcoming Food Drive for SAM Food Pantry.

The Food Drive is Saturday, October 16th from approx. 9:30AM – 1:00PM. Volunteers should meet at the Tuscola United Methodist Church.

Each year the food drive has increased food and cash donations for the pantry. IGA makes available, pre-sacked food items, to be purchased for the food drive.

Meeting Notes – September 27, 2010

- Attendance
 - 36 Members
 - 0 Guests
- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

K-Kids Picnic – The picnic is scheduled for Monday, 9/27 at Ervin Park. Volunteers report to the park about 2:30PM and bring your hot dog sticks.

SAM Pantry Food Drive – Sign-up for the food drive on Saturday, 10/16 went around. If you can help and did not get a chance to sign up, please contact Kevin Nolan and let him know.

PRIDE Walk – The PRIDE Walk is on Thursday, 9/30 at 6PM at TCHS. Our club is one of the gold sponsors.

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Tuscola Flu Shot Clinic – The first flu shot clinic in Tuscola for the season is Wednesday, 10/6 from noon to 6PM at Ervin Park.

Illeiwon Publication – The I-I District's Illeiwon will only be available online at the I-I District website:
www.ikiwanis.org

Program:



Judy Landeck presented a program on “The Cross at the Crossroads” in Effingham, Illinois. The Cross at the Crossroads is a project of the Cross

Foundation, a not-for-profit organization located in Effingham. The foundation depends entirely on private donations to maintain the Cross, grounds and welcome center.

The cross was erected on June 27, 2001 and was first lighted on Sunday, September 16, 2001. It took five years from the first concept to completion. It is 198 feet tall, equal to a 20-story building. There are 180 tons of steel within the structure. For more information, go to www.crossusa.org.



Peanut Sales Days September 17th & 18th



More Photos on our website

K-Kids Fall Picnic 9-27-2010



More Photos on our website

Volunteering for Stewardship Day at Walnut Point 9-10-2010



More Photos on our website

PRIDE WALK 9-30-10



More Photos on our Website

September 2010 Board Meeting Highlights

The meeting was called to order on Wednesday, September at 12:00p by President, Kevin Nolan, with the following members present: Janet Butler, Tim Hoel, Candy Hudson, Jaci Manzella, Kevin Nolan, Dan Russell, Wayne Ward and Gary Weber.

The following items of business were discussed:

1. August Board Meeting Minutes –A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes. Minutes approved.
2. August Monthly Report –Because the regular club meeting of 8/30 was canceled, members' service hours were not available. Wayne will gather the information and submit the report later in the week.
3. Treasurer's Report – As of September 1st, the checking account balance was \$4,819.24. A motion was made to approve the report as edited. The motion was seconded and approved.
4. Requests for Reimbursement or Budget Requests – The following budgeted items were approved for disbursement: JFL \$100, Soccer League \$100, North Ward Breakfast \$200 and North Ward Backpack \$450.00. The Soccer League requested a copy of the Kiwanis Logo to place on their team shirts. Janet Butler is preparing the file. The budgeted item for "Read Across Tuscola" was delayed until it can be determined if the program will continue.
5. Peanut Days – Gary Weber and Sherrie Hoel will assist Judy Landeck during Peanut Days Sales.
6. Key Club Liaison – Carol Burwash has agree to assist Janet Cox and Clarice Hausman with the Key Club this school year.
7. 2010/2011 Budget – The Board asked Wayne to prepare a draft 2010/2011 club budget for the next Board meeting.
8. Request to Collect for ALS – Ed Wachala requested permission from the Board to pass a donation envelope at the 9/13 meeting to raise funds for ALS Research or asked if the club would be willing to donate. Board provided approval for the envelope.
9. Circle K Outreach – The club received a banner patch for Circle K Outreach from the I-I District. The club had donated \$75.00.
10. Membership Update – The club began the fiscal year with 69 members. During the year, two members were deleted and one added for a current total of 68. Due to the success of the membership recruitment dinner, there is a very good chance that the club will be Distinguished for 2009/2010.

11. New Officer/Director Installation – October 4th has been set as the date to install new officers and directors. Rene Corcoran will be visiting and bringing the Lt. Gov. home banner to Tuscola. There will be no additional program on that day.
12. K-Kids Picnic – Based on a request from Beth Linstead, there was some discussion about having the picnic at North Ward versus Ervin Park. The Board agrees that Ervin Park would be the better place.
13. I-I District Governor's Visit – Larry Forsberg, 2010/2011 I-I Governor, will be visiting Divisions 25 & 27 on Saturday, October 16th. The luncheon will be from noon until 2p at a site in Champaign. All Division 27 clubs are encouraged to have several officers, directors and members in attendance.

(Full text available on club website)



Happy October!

New items on the website include: weekly meeting photos, K-Kids Picnic, Peanut Sales Days, Stewardship Day, PRIDE Walk 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.)