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**KIWANIS CLUB OF TUSCOLA
NEWSLETTER
SEPTEMBER 2014**

2014 Events/Activities

Wednesday, September 10	Board Meeting – The Smith House
Saturday, October 4	Pancake Breakfast–Homecoming – Tuscola Community Building
Wednesday, October 8	Board Meeting – location TBD
Fri-Sat, November 7 & 8	Peanuts Days Fundraising

Upcoming Meetings & Program Assignments

September 1	No Meeting – Labor Day
September 8	Judy Landeck
September 15	Jerry Leonard
September 22	Jaci Manzella
September 29	Officer/Director Installations
October 6	Maribeth Opperman
October 13	Topsy Moody
October 20	Art Moss
October 27	Barb Moss
November 3	Donna Motley
November 10	Vera Nauta
November 17	Steve Niemann
November 24	Kevin Nolan
December 1	Dennis Opperman
December 8	Kathryn McCumber
December 15	Jerry Reynolds
December 22	Club Christmas Party – bring \$10

December 29	Nancy Reynolds
January 5	Nancy Runge
January 12	Mary Schultz
January 19	Alan Shoemaker
January 26	Char Snyder

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 Volunteer Hours
at the end of the month!**

[Click here to enter hours online](#)

Labor Day Humor

In Castle Rock, Colorado, the Wage and Hours Government Department claimed that ranch owner Joe was not paying proper wages to his ranch help and sent an agent out to interview him.

“I need a list of the people who work here and how much you pay them,” demanded the agent.

“Well,” replied old Joe, “There's my ranch hand who's been with me for 3 years. I pay him \$600 a week plus free room and board. The cook has been here for 18 months, and I pay her \$500 a week plus free room and board. Then there's the idiot who works about 18 hours every day and does about 90% of all the work around here. He makes about \$10 per week, pays his own room and board and I buy him a bottle of bourbon every Saturday night.”

“That's the guy I want to talk to, the idiot,” says the agent.

“You're talking to him,” smiled Joe.

Meeting Minutes – August 4, 2014

- **Attendance**

48 – Members

4 – Guests: Tommy & Michele Chappell-grandson and daughter of Jan Chappell, and our speakers, Nicole White and JoEllen Schultz

- **Free Lunch Winner** – Donna Motley
- **Birthdays** – 8/4 Jeannine Fortney, 8/4 Candy Hudson and 8/6 Linda Damler
- **Braggs** – Carol Burwash, David Butler, Jan Chappell, Linda Damler, Mike Damler, Pat Damler, Jeannine Fortney, Dennis Opperman, and Wayne Ward
- **News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities**

KI International Convention – Janet Butler gave an update from the KI International Convention. The convention was held in Chiba, Japan from July 17 – 19. The 2014/2015 officers are President Dr. John Button from Ontario, Canada, President-Elect Sue Petrisin from Michigan and Vice President Jane Erickson from Nebraska. New trustee Barbara Thompson from Missouri is the KI trustee for the I-I District.

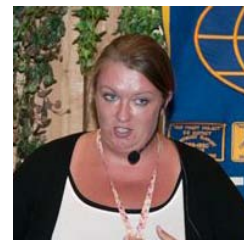
Beginning November 2014, all Kiwanis clubs will be provided directors and officers insurance coverage from Kiwanis International. The fee is \$4.00 per member and can be paid from service funds.

Stewardship Day – A sign-up sheet went around soliciting volunteers for the September 11th Stewardship Day at Walnut Point.

Swann Special Care Center Donations – Through the generous giving of members, \$376.00 was donated for the Swann Special Care Center. Carol and Jim Hausmann will deliver the donations.

Membership Recruitment Dinner – Members were reminded that the deadline for attending the dinner is Monday, 8/25. The dinner will begin at 6:00PM Thursday, August 28 at the Red Barn.

Program:



Darrell Helm introduced his guests, JoEllen Schultz and Nicole White. They are from the Eberhardt Village in Arthur. Darrell began the program explaining how he has come to know JoEllen and Nicole.

Darrell moved to Tuscola several years ago from Las Vegas to be able to help his mother and stepfather. He realized that it was time that they lived in an assisted living facility, and started to investigate facilities in the area. He selected Eberhardt Village in Arthur.

His mother and stepfather have been there about five years. They are provided three meals a day, laundry and housekeeping. Many other services are available such as dressing and/or bathing assistance, wound care, and assisting with medications. The village has a community room, dining room, chapel, pharmacy, lab services, daily activities, and transportation. For more info go to: www.eberhardtvillage.org

Meeting Minutes – August 11, 2014

- Attendance

57 – Members

4 – Guests: Tommy Chappell, grandson of Jan Chappell; Key Club officers Kajal Patel and Alexis Nau and Mary Lou Roller, aunt of Dan Russell.

- Free Lunch Winner – Jim Wood
- Birthdays – 8/12 Jerry Leonard
- Braggs – Pete Buckley, David Butler, Linda Damler, Mike Damler, Jerry Leonard, Maribeth Opperman, and Patty Russell
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2012/2013 Distinguished Club – The 2012/2013 officers and club directors, and the membership were recognized for our club again being “distinguished” for the 2012/2013 Kiwanis year, led by Past President Alan Shoemaker.



Robert P Connelly Medal of Heroism – Pat reported to members that the club’s nomination for Andrea Bratten was approved by the Kiwanis International Foundation. The award will be presented at our Membership Recruitment Dinner.

Paris Interclub Visit – Doris reported that Wilma Allen, Pat Damler, Jeannine Fortney, Tim Hoel and she visited the Paris club on August 5. Because they were given a free meal, the group donated the cost of the meals to a fundraising effort that the Paris club was doing for a youth raising money to go to New York City to be part of the Macy’s Great America Band.

District Convention Update – Pat Damler and David gave an update from the convention. David and Janet were installed as the Lt. Governors of Divisions 27 & 26, respectively. 2014/2015 is Kiwanis International’s 100th Year, and the convention will be in Indianapolis. The district’s goal is to get 500 I-I delegates ...the Indy 500...to the convention to vote for I-I’s KI trustee Jim Rochford who will be running for Vice President.

Program:



Kim Higgins gave a program on the art of cheese making. The information was provided by her daughter Casey who is a Deli Manager at Country Market who made a company trip to

Wisconsin to learn about cheese.

Cheese making began over 4,000 years ago. There are over 350 varieties of Wisconsin cheese. Wisconsin has over 11,000 dairy farms with about 1.7 million cows. It takes about 10 pounds of milk to make one pound of cheese. About 97% of Wisconsin milk is used for cheese. Kim took us through the cheese making process.

Then Kim has Carey Wood and Jan Chappell take a cheese taste test. Jan Chappell correctly identified the most types of cheese, and was presented with a “cheese head” as her prize.

Meeting Minutes – August 18, 2014

- Attendance

49 – Members

2 – Guests: Donna Cleland and Cheryl Boss, Kiwanians from Decatur Golden K

- Free Lunch Winner – Linda Damler
- Birthdays – 8/19 Ginger Campbell, 8/19 Jim Hausmann and 8/20 Vera Nauta
- Brags – Donna Cleland, Eloise Kennedy, Maribeth Opperman, Char Snyder, and Doris Young
- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

Kiwanis Flag Salute – Mike Damler brought copies of the Kiwanis Flag Salute for members to pick up, if desired.

Thank You Notes – Thank you notes were received from Katie O’Hearn, scholarship winner and the Tuscola Soccer League.

Stewardship Day – A sign-up sheet went around soliciting volunteers for the September 11th Stewardship Day at Walnut Point.

Eliminate Project – Mike Damler reported that as of July 29, the club has donated \$7,924.16 to the Eliminate Project. Great job...keep it going!

Reminders – Sunday, August 24...Kiwanis Family Picnic at Wayne & Joann Ward’s home. Please RSVP again due to rain date. Thursday, August 28, membership recruitment dinner at 6:00PM at the Red Barn. RSVP to Carey Wood by Monday, 8/25.

Program:



Candy Hudson introduced her speaker, secretary Janet Butler. Janet reviewed the Kiwanis Youth Protection Guidelines that were updated October 1, 2013.

Background Checks: Kiwanis Club Advisors to SLPs (K-Kids, Builders Club, Key Club, Circle K and Aktion Club) are required to have a background check.

Overnight Stays: While attending a Kiwanis event that requires overnight stay in a hotel or camp/conference setting, adequate adult chaperoning is expected and must include no fewer than one adult male for each ten or part of ten youth males, and one adult female for each ten or part of ten youth females. Except for a parent sharing a sleeping room or other sleeping quarter (e.g., tent) with his/her own child, no adult should share a hotel or dormitory sleeping room or other sleeping quarter with a youth. In the event that sleeping quarters consist of multiple beds, such as a bunkhouse or camp cabin, adults may share the sleeping quarters with youth members of the same gender, provided that two or more adults are present.

Transportation: Adults transporting youth in a vehicle should do so with a second adult in the vehicle, or in hardship cases, the “rule of threes,” being at least three people in the vehicle at all times, is recommended.

Reporting: If a Kiwanian observes troubling behavior involving a youth at a Kiwanis event or becomes aware of a situation that is illegal or potentially unsafe for a young person at a Kiwanis event, he/she must immediately contact the appropriate personnel at the event as well as provide notification to law enforcement personnel when appropriate. All local, state, provincial, and federal laws regarding reporting must be followed.

For the policy in its entirety, go to:
www.kiwanis.org

Meeting Minutes – August 25, 2014

- Attendance

44 – Members

1 – Guest: Tracy Lillard, our speaker

- Free Lunch Winner – David Butler

- Birthdays – 8/29 Carol Hausmann, 9/2 Bob Gray, 9/2 Nancy Runge, and 9/3 Elaine Bryant

- Brags – Carol Burwash, Pat Damler, Tim Hoel, Jaci Manzella, and Steve Niemann

- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

Donations for Fr. Michel's School – The generous donations of members totaled \$220.00 for Fr. Michel's school in Haiti.

Annual Kiwanis Family Picnic – Fun and great food was had by all on Sunday, August 24 at Wayne and Joann Ward's home.

There was a great turnout of Kiwanians and guests including Governor Pattie Heath, Past Governor Gary Heath and our Lt. Governor Shirley Elkin.

Thanks, Wayne & Joann!

Reminder – Thursday, August 28, membership recruitment dinner at 6:00PM at the Red Barn. Andrea Bratten will receive the Robert P. Connelly Medal of Heroism at the dinner.

**REMEMBER....NO MEETING
MONDAY, SEPT 1 – LABOR DAY**

PROGRAM:



April Kauffman introduced our speaker, Tracy Lillard of the Illinois State Police. Tracy's husband is also a state policeman and they have three daughters...2, 6, and 8. Her home also has a police dog.

Tracy's topic was driving safety. Year to date, there have been 568 fatalities due to car accidents. The top four reasons that people die in car accidents are:

1. Speeding
2. DUI
3. Not using seatbelts
4. Distracted driving

Tracy gave several safety tips emphasizing them with graphic videos:

1. Wear your seatbelts! Three out of four people die if they are ejected from the vehicle.
2. If you need to pull off the road, pull off completely.
3. Pull off to the right for police, ambulance or emergency vehicles.
4. Move Over Law – If you see a vehicle pulled over to the right, move to the left lane where possible. If not, slow down before passing the stopped vehicle.

If children are in school, the school speed limit applies, even if you don't see any students outside.

If stopped, be respectful. Keep hands on the steering wheel; don't rummage around for your documents or anything else.

18th ANNUAL KIWANIS FAMILY PICNIC AUGUST 24, 2014



THANK YOU WAYNE & JOANN!!!!

More photos on our website

**MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT DINNER & ANDREA BRATTEN
PRESENTATION OF THE ROBERT P. CONNELLY MEDAL OF HEROISM
AUGUST 28, 2014**



More photos on our website

TUSCOLA KIWANIS CLUB
August 2014 Board Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at The Smith House on Wednesday, 8/13/2014 at 12:02 PM by President Pat Damler with the following Officers, Directors and members present:

X	Tammy Baer – Pres. Elect	X	Janet Butler – Secretary	X	Donna Motley (2015)
X	Lorraine Best (2014)	X	David Butler –Webmaster	X	Tom Sturgis (2015)
X	Margo Blaudow (2016)	X	Pat Damler – President	X	Alan Shoemaker – P.Pres.
X	Carol Burwash (2014)	X	Candy Hudson – Treas.	X	Guests: Linda Damler, Jim
X	Pete Buckley (2016)		Jerry Leonard – V.P.		Hausmann, Toppo Mooday

The following items of business were discussed:

1. Minutes of July Board Meeting – Carol Burwash made a motion that the Board Meeting Minutes be approved as submitted. Donna Motley seconded the motion and it was approved. The full report is on our club website.
2. July Monthly Reports – Janet had emailed Board members a copy of the KI and Tuscola monthly reports to review. The number of volunteer service hours were 569. Donna Motley made a motion that the reports be approved and submitted. Lorraine Best seconded the motion and it was approved. The full reports are on our club website.
3. Treasurer’s Report – Candy emailed the amended July and August reports to Board members for review. Candy reported that dues of \$50.00 are still outstanding for eight members. As of 8/13/14, the current balance in the Treasury is \$17,468.99. David Butler made a motion to approve both Treasurer’s Reports. Margo Blaudow seconded the motion and it was approved. The full reports are on our club website.
4. Reimbursements/Disbursements – Tammy Baer made a motion to approve budgeted disbursement of Help-A-Child program \$200.00, Jr. Football League \$100.00, Tuscola Library programs \$100.00, and SAM Pantry \$250.00. And further to include a line item in the 2014/2015 budget for \$750.00 for School District 301 and for \$500.00 for the North Ward Milk program. Tom Sturgis seconded the motion and it was approved. David Butler reported that he has received the banner, bell, etc. for the new Charleston Club. A charter event will be planned for sometime in September. David asked that as the sponsoring club, the Board approve a monetary gift from Tuscola to start the club’s administrative fund. Pete Buckley made a motion to donate \$300.00. Carol Burwash seconded the motion and it was approved. David and Janet wanted to add to the gift. They will donate \$200.00 to our club’s funds so the check to Charleston will be \$500.00.

5. Fr. Delix Michel's School – Members were very moved by Fr. Michel's story of establishing the Limonnade School in Haiti. The Board agreed to have an envelope passed at our 8/25 meeting for any members who would like to make a donation. Pat will inform members at our 8/18 meeting.
6. Budget & Financial Review – Janet Butler had provided Board members with two financial reports to review...2013/2014 Actuals to Budget – 10 Month Look, and Analysis of Actuals to Cash-On-Hand – Estimating Fund Balances for 9-30-14. The club is on track to budget. Board members approved disbursements and line items for the 2014/2015 budget as detailed in #4 above. Janet will be preparing a draft 2014/2015 budget for the September Board meeting.
7. Builders Club Update – Tammy reported that Bryan Penne has declined to be the Builders Club Faculty Advisor, though said that he would help. Tammy is now working on finding another faculty member to service. Tammy will provide an update at next Board meeting.
8. Kiwanis Family Picnic – Janet Butler reported that she had sent out that morning an email reminder to members to RSVP to Wayne Ward regarding the picnic on Sunday, August 17.
9. New Member Recruitment Dinner – Janet Butler reported that she had sent an email reminder asking members to RSVP to Carey Wood (cwood@tuscolakiwanis.org) for the August 28 dinner at 6:00PM at the Amishland Buffet. Deadline is Monday, August 25.
10. Robert P. Connelly Medal – The club had been notified by Kiwanis International that the KI Board of Trustees approved the Andrea Bratten nomination. It was suggested that the presentation take place at our August 28 dinner. Pat Damler asked Pete Buckley to contact Andrea and see if that date would work for her and her family. If yes, the Board will plan for the presentation to be part of the meeting. If not, in September the Board will discuss alternatives, possibly the City of Tuscola November Luncheon as suggested by Alan Shoemaker.
11. 2013/2014 Club Member Awards – Chairperson Carol Burwash reported 18 nominations had been received. Carol, Lorraine Best and Pete Buckley met last week to determine the committee's recommendations. Carol asked the Board if they would trust the committee's recommendations and approve them without disclosing the winners to anyone except Secretary Janet Butler. Tom Sturgis made a motion to agree to the committee's request. Alan Shoemaker seconded and it was approved. Only Secretary Janet Butler will be advised of the winners in advance of the awards being presented on Monday, October 6.

12. Program Request – The club received a request to present a program from Kiwanian Peter Alexander of Carbondale. The program would be on how Illinois selects members of the Illinois Appellate Court and the Illinois Supreme Court. Janet Butler volunteered to contact the September program chairs and see if one of those dates was a possibly.
13. Kiwanis 100th Year Celebrations – Pat reported that there will be 100th Year Celebrations within the district, possibly the division and the thought that our club would have a special celebration. Janet and Pat reported that clubs will be asked to make a special donation, probably \$500-\$1,000, to the Spastic Paralysis Research Foundation to build a wheelchair accessible playground at Camp Independence. More information to come.
14. Next Meeting – The next Board meeting will be Wednesday, September 10 at noon at The Smith House.
15. Adjournment – There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

Submitted by:
Janet Butler – Secretary



Where did the summer go!

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