



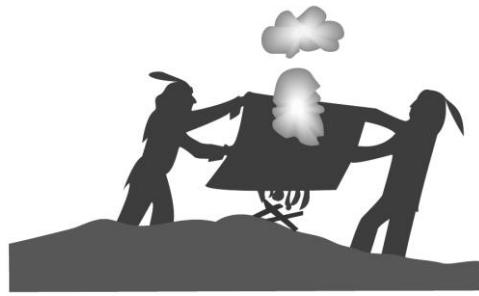
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"KIWANIS IS A GLOBAL ORGANIZATION OF VOLUNTEERS, DEDICATED TO IMPROVING THE WORLD, ONE CHILD AND ONE COMMUNITY AT A TIME."

PROGRAMS

Dec Chairs: *Curt Larson, John Nevins*
03 Polar Bears to Plankton *Todd Levine*
10 Will Technology change the Game? *Jerry Burhans*
17 Christmas Program *Ron Shuler*
24,31 No Meetings
Jan
07 Humane Society *Brett Fraiser*

DECEMBER CLUB CALENDAR

03	9:30	Club Meeting @ S.O.N.
03	2:00	Bingo @ Rock Haven
09	11:45	Janesville Service Clubs @ Elks
10	9:30	Club Meeting @ S.O.N.
17	9:30	Christmas Party @ S.O.N.
17	11:00	Board of Directors Meeting
22, 23		Salvation Army Bell Ringing
24, 31		No Holiday Meetings

	GREETERS (Chair: <i>Gary Sullivan</i>)		SPIRITUAL VALUES (Chair: <i>Ed Timmer</i>)	RAFFLE (Chair: <i>Lon Coppernoll</i>)
Dec 03	<i>Glenn Disrude</i>	<i>Dave Peterson</i>	<i>Ed Timmer</i>	<i>Bob Knudson</i>
Dec 10	<i>John Sarnow</i>	<i>Dick Olin</i>	<i>Glenn Kipfer</i>	<i>Dale Fulton</i>
Dec 17	<i>Bob Homan</i>	<i>Frank Spoden</i>	<i>Glen Jablonka</i>	<i>Bruce Pierson</i>
Dec 24, 31	NO MEETINGS			Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

From our PRESIDENT

By now we have celebrated our thankfulness for the many blessings bestowed upon us.

In December we have many more opportunities to help others. Our major fundraiser, Truck on Ice, will be started December 10th by the distribution of our tickets at our regular meeting. The annual Christmas program will be on December 17th and sign-up sheets will be passed around on the 3rd and 10th so we can get an idea of how many guests to expect. On December 22 & 23 we will ring bells for the Salvation Army.

Between December 1st and 21st, we also, have the opportunity to vote for the best decorated tree at the Pontiac Convention Center Communitrees event. If our entry receives the most votes for best of show we win money. We would like to be recognized as the

Ron Shuler



people's choice, too. Just look for the 9 ft. white tree with over 200 Santa Claus ornaments on it behind the red tassel "fence" with stockings hanging on it showing the various activities that we do and sponsor. Show it to everyone you know and have them vote. Ballots should be by the fountain as you enter the Convention Center.

We will not have our regular meetings on Dec. 24 & 31, so you have some extra time to celebrate the holidays and to sell TOI tickets (they make nice stocking stuffers and gifts.) You might even have time to see the display cases at the public library which I set up.

May you be energized by the holidays and keep in mind the Kiwanis Clubs are "serving the children around the world."

May all of you have a very Merry Christmas.

Ron

ROCK HAVEN NEWS

Chair: *John Holcomb*

Holiday Gifts for Residents

*These need to be taken to Rock Haven
by December 12*

BINGO

On November 5th six club members helped 33 residents at Rock Haven play Bingo. Thanks to the following who helped residents locate their numbers and hand out prizes:

<i>Jack Biddick</i>	<i>Carl Cramer</i>
<i>Ray Cummings</i>	<i>Duane Durrant</i>
<i>Dick Olin</i>	<i>John Holcomb</i>



EDISON BUILDERS CLUB

Will be ringing bells for the Salvation Army on December 10 & 17, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. each day at Sam's Club and both doors of Walmart.

This would be an excellent opportunity to interact with this fine group especially if you are not available for the Golden K bell ringing later in December. See Ron Shuler if you can participate.



Request to Committee Chairs

When a date or location is set for your activities, please help your officers by getting this information on the planning calendar.

Glenn Disrude implemented a form located on the bulletin board by the greeters. Just grab a form, enter the information, and give to either Glenn or Dave Peterson.



Early Tickets

Truck-on-Ice Tickets will be distributed on Wednesday, December 10th

If, for whatever reason, you would like your Truck-on-Ice tickets some other time, please contact:

Glen Jablonka
608-754-4007
fort2004@charter.net

Information Kiwanews Information

The October/November issue of the "Kiwanews" is available online. You can easily get to this issue from our web site main page. However, if you prefer frustration as an alternative, you can type the following address:

http://www.wiumkiwanis.org/public_district/pub_Content.aspx?PageID=938

Notice that on the same page, you also have access to previous issues.

IMPORTANT

Starting with this issue, 10 printed copies are being mailed to our club secretary. A copy is **not** being mailed to individual members.

Our district leaders have determined we can read the issue online or print off a copy to be read at our leisure ☺

BLOOD MOBILE

Gordy Drake

The Blood Drive was held at Faith Lutheran Church on November 24th and 25th.

We collected 50 units on Monday and 80 units on Tuesday with the goal of 70 each day! We gave out 134 apple pies to each person who either donated or was deferred.

We had two members who donated blood (a single pint has the potential of saving 12 lives). Fourteen of our club members and one wife aided in being donor room aides, refreshment aides, and greeters.

Eighteen of our club members delivered posters to business within the Janesville area. I also contacted Tami Carlson, HR person with the Janesville School District, about sending a poster to each of the schools. She said the poster meets their requirements and they would be happy to send them out to each of the schools.

We spent 72 service hours on this project. Thanks for helping as it makes a difference in saving lives.

The next blood drive will be held at:

New Life Assembly of God
January 26th and 27th



A HEADS UP

Early in December you will be receiving a letter in the mail from your Golden "K" Club requesting a year-end donation to either Project Eliminate or your club's activities.

Please just don't discard this letter

Consider a donation, as anything you can give will be appreciated and put to good use.



TRUCK ON ICE

“DECEMBER RIDDLE”

What has ?

- 1) A hood but no motor
- 2) Four doors but no seats
- 3) Eight windows but no glass
- 4) Four wheels but no brakes
- 5) A clock but no public time
- 6) A grill but no radiator

The answer will be in the January 2015 Smoke Signal!

Meanwhile, this is our

TWELFTH ANNUAL TRUCK-ON-ICE TIME

There are some gifts that only you can give

YOUR TIME volunteering for shifts

YOUR TALENT to encourage others to make guesses.

YOUR TREASURE by buying tickets that enable your family and extended family to makes guesses about truck sinking times.

True giving asks no return and that is what we do and that brings the joy we seek.

When we raise money for Homeless Students , Scholarships, Boys & Girls Scouts, Boys & Girls Clubs, and eleven other charities, we are showing that we care about them and their goals and their problems and their dreams.

An anonymous source at the North Pole has inquired about Santa using our S.U.V. as a backup for his sleigh. He may use it in the southern area of the country where there is no snow because it has wheels and he can load presents into both the engine compartment and the passenger area and he can stand on the front bumper.

“The worst sin toward our fellow man is not to hate them, but to be indifferent to them. That is the essence of inhumanity.” George Bernard Shaw

"Sell the tickets, Get the Money" Glen Jablonka Pete Kealey

BOARD of DIRECTORS

Meeting: 11-26-2014

Attendance:

President: *Ron Shuler*
President Elect: *Rocke Schroeder*
Vice President: *Richard Johnson*
Treasurer: *Will Reck*
Secretary: *Paul Neitzel*
Past President: *Glenn Disrude*

Directors:
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Dave Peterson
Maury Frey

Others Present: *Pete Kealey*

Call to order: 8:30 A.M.

Secretary's Report:

Submitted as published in the November Smoke Signal and approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Will's report focused on the proposed budget for 2014/15 and included the updated figures for the tree sale. Will stated that the club is liquid and after some discussion, Will moved to file the report as submitted. The motion was seconded and approved.

Club Correspondence:

Ron received a thank you note from the Boys and Girls Club thanking us for our participation in this years Trunk or Treat activity.

Old Business:

Deceased Member Plaque:

Ron gave the board an update on the plaque and stated that it should be ready in about a week.

Will Reck's Intern:

It was decided by the board that an announcement should be made to the club to see if anyone would be interested in learning the skills and responsibilities of being a club treasurer.

Tree Sales:

The Board of Directors expressed gratitude that John Janes will chair this committee and that the Tree Sale will continue as one of our fundraisers.

Tree at Pontiac Convention Center:

Ron informed the board that the tree is done and showed the picture that Dave Peterson took of the tree. Ron did a fantastic job on this year's entry and encourages us to **vote** during the month of December (especially "**Best of Show**"). Last year Ron won the award and earned \$300 for the club.

Club Meetings:

No meetings are scheduled for Dec. 24 and 31 due to the holidays and the Board of Director's meeting will take place on Dec. 17 at 11:00 a.m.

Committee Updates:

Ron mentioned that the updated committee lists will be handed out on Dec. 3. A suggestion was made by the Board that the Membership Committee be responsible for maintaining the 3-ring binders.

Appeal Letter Report:

Maury Frey and Glenn Disrude presented a copy of the Year End Appeal letter and discussed the contents of the letter and the changes from last year. One of the changes will allow members to designate where they would like their donation to go to. After some discussion, Glen Jablonka made a motion to accept the Year End Appeal letter and it was seconded by Richard Johnson and approved.

Project Eliminate:

The topic of adding an incentive of \$250 from the club to the donations made by members so that we could have more Hixon, Zeller and Centennial awards was discussed. This incentive money would come from funds allocated for Project Eliminate. The Board of Directors decided not to change our awards policy.

Other Items:

A motion was made by Richard Johnson to approve acceptance of new member Jerry Burhans into our club and was seconded by Glenn Disrude. The motion was approved.

Glen Jablonka gave an update on the sign at Traxler Park. He reported that the sign is paid for and it will be free to advertise approved messages such as Truck On Ice for at least one year. After that the possibility of charging individuals or groups may occur.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

Submitted by Secretary: *Paul Neitzel*

Merry Christmas

