



SMOKE SIGNAL



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OFFICERS

President: Bruce Jorenby
Past Pres: Tom Neumann
Pres. Elect: Bob Wilcox
Vice Pres: Roger Williford
Treasurer: Greg Turco
Asst. Treas: John Sarnow
Secretary: Paul Neitzel



DIRECTORS

2020-2023	Gregg Dickinson
2021-2024	Lon Coppernoll
2021-2024	John Sarnow
2022-2025	Ron Shuler
2022-2025	Dave Thill

KIWANIS IS A GLOBAL ORGANIZATION OF VOLUNTEERS, DEDICATED TO
"Having Fun Serving the children of the world"

PROGRAMS

Chair: *Luci Cramer*

Oct 05	Club Officer Inductions and Awards	
Oct 12	Serenity Horse Rescue	Wendy Quass
Oct 19	Janesville Economy	Gale Price
Oct 26	Hoo's Woods Raptor Center	Dianne Moller
Nov 02	Therapy Dogs	Alyssa Ngheim

CLUB CALENDAR

Oct 05	9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Botanical Gardens
Oct 12	9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Botanical Gardens
Oct 19	9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Botanical Gardens
Oct 26	8:00 BOD Meeting @ Rotary Botanical Gardens
	9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Botanical Gardens
Nov 02	9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Botanical Gardens

DATE	GREETERS CHAIR: LON COPPERNOLL	RAFFLE CHAIR: Maury Frey	DEVOTIONS CHAIR: Carl Cramer	SERVERS CHAIR: G. Disrude	SINGING CHAIR:
Oct 05	Dave Kemp Ray Cummings	Linda Bontly	Lon Coppernoll	Maury Frey	No Singing
Oct 12	Curly Bold Tom Neumann	Luci Cramer	Carl Cramer	Jerry Langdok	Until
Oct 19	Roger Williford Bob Wilcox	John Janes	Richard Johnson	Dave Peterson	Further
Oct 26	Hamish Martin Don Anderson	Glenn Disrude	Carl Cramer	Dave Peterson	Notice

October—Month of Beautiful Trees and the World Series

Preidents Message

This is my first newsletter article as President for the new fiscal year. New officers and directors will be installed on Wednesday, October 5, 2022. This includes Bob Wilcox as President Elect and Roger Willeford as Vice President. Dave Thill and Ron Shuler will also be installed as Directors. We are looking forward to serving during the upcoming year.

We also want to acknowledge the two directors, Linda Bontly and John Janes, who are leaving office, as well as Tom Neumann who will become Past President. Thanks are due to them for their service during the last two years.

The installation breakfast is being arranged by Maury Frey and prepared by Knutes of Orfordville. It will begin at 9 AM on October 5 at Rotary Gardens. The installation of officers and directors will be done following the breakfast.

Bruce Jorenby

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Truck on Ice 2023

Truck On Ice Sponsors

John Janes, Greg Turco, Luci Cramer, Dave Thill, Dave Kemp and Ron Shuler will be taking sponsor request letters out to local businesses asking them to be a sponsor for the 20th year of our main fundraiser, the Truck on Ice campaign. The Truck on Ice campaign raised \$20,000 last year. The need continues to grow but our ability to raise enough to support our mission has declined. Sponsor contributions can help us meet our goals. We have three categories:

\$1000- Name and logo on banner to be displayed on truck during campaign. Name and logo displayed during table sales in local businesses. Name on ticket stub, any Truck on Ice literature, website and Facebook.

\$500- Name and logo displayed during table sales in local business. Name on ticket stub, and Truck on Ice literature, website and Facebook.

\$300- Name on any Truck on Ice literature, website and Facebook.

If you know someone who you think might be interested in becoming a sponsor, please let one of the committee members know and they will provide you with a sponsor letter for you to drop off.

The more sponsors we have the more money we will raise and the more support we can provide to the youth in Southern Wisconsin.

BOARD of DIRECTORS

Meeting: 09/28/2022

Call to Order: 8:30 a.m. by President Elect Jorenby**Attendance****OFFICERS**

President: Linda Bomly
Past Pres: John Janes
Pres. Elect: Bruce Jorenby
Vice Pres: John Sarnow
Treasurer: Greg Turco
Asst. Treas: John Sarnow
Secretary: Paul Neitzel
Asst. Sec:

Directors

Linda Bomly
John Janes
John Sarnow

Others Present: Luci Cramer Richard Johnson
Carl Cramer Ron Shuler**Secretary's Report**

Paul expressed a concern over not receiving everything he ordered for the awards ceremony scheduled for Oct. 5th. Hopefully everything will arrive by then.

He also stated that he would follow up with a phone call to any members who have not paid their dues so as not to eliminate them from membership on the International roster.

The board was also notified of the names of members who would not be renewing due to health reasons or moving from this area.

Treasurer's Report:

Greg stated to the board that the Administrative Checking Account is down \$1,193 from last month because of a \$5,000 transfer to the Service Account and countered by \$4,030 of income for member dues. Other expenses were \$609 rent and \$166 P.O. Box.

The Service Checking is down \$2,411 from last month. Income of \$5,000 was added from the Administrative Account and \$87 from other sources.

Expenses were:

Down payment for tree sale - \$755
Kiwanis District Foundation - \$400
Blackhawk Tech Scholarship - \$1,000
Badgerland Girl Scouts - \$500
Boys and Girls Club - \$1,500
Kiwanis Children's Fund - \$1,100
Pregnancy Helpline of Janesville - \$1,000

NEW BUSINESS**Credit Cards:**

Greg Turco explained the pros and cons of having a system for accepting credit card payments for club business. There is a cost for the attachment to accept chip cards and contactless payments from phones. There are also fees associated with each charge and by law, we couldn't use a credit card account to sell Truck on Ice tickets. The board will look into this matter at a future board meeting when we have more information to see if this is something we want to pursue.

Singing:

There was a suggestion to do away with songbooks and have the lyrics projected on a screen. Finding song leaders is still an issue.

Year End Appeal:

The board is looking for someone to take on the responsibility of distributing the year end appeal. This has become our main source of revenue to run the Administrative Account.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Submitted by Secretary, Paul Neitzel

Happy Birthday

<i>Jerry Langdok</i>	<i>Oct 01</i>
<i>Paul Neitzel</i>	<i>Oct 01</i>
<i>Dale Fulton</i>	<i>Oct 10</i>
<i>Bob Douglas</i>	<i>Oct 15</i>
<i>Dick Peck</i>	<i>Oct 23</i>
<i>Bob Wilcox</i>	<i>Oct 26</i>
<i>Darlene Johnson</i>	<i>Oct 29</i>



Greg Turco at the Senior Fair 09/08/2022



Carl Cramer, Gregg Turco and Tom Neumann at Senior Fair 09/09/2022

History of our Club

BLACKHAWK GOLDEN "K"—THE 25th ANNIVERSARY

In the early part of 1983 members of the Noon Kiwanis Club developed the idea of forming the Blackhawk Golden "K" Club. A committee made up of Roland Strommen, Russ Hegge and Frank Stratton went to work to actually form such a group. There are several ideas as to why they wanted to do this. One was to have some way to spread the ideals of Kiwanis to an older group of people, thus, the Noon Club contacted the following 30 men who became the charter members of our club.

OFFICERS DIRECTORS

President ----- **William Buckley** **Robert Buell**

First Vice President ----- **Lowell Grover** **G. Roy Jensen**

Second Vice President -- **Bruce Bell** **Donald Crosby**

Secretary ----- **Edward Carroll** **George Siekkenin**

Treasurer ----- **William Oestreich**

CHARTER MEMBERS

Arthur Bergman **Harland Bjerva** **Lee Bowlus** **Robert Corneth** **Orian Freeman**

Bernard Gillespie **Harry Hulick** **Henry Kreiner** **Tony Kutz** **Delwin Lenerz**

Paul Loofboro **Wallace McRoberts** **Joseph Plazewski** **Jesse Scarborough** **Orlin Worman**

Woody Schoenfeld **Glenn Schumacher** **Edwin Sullivan** **Walter Stamstad** **Robert Wegner**

OFFICERS OF SPONSORING CLUB

President **Roland** ----- **Strommen**

President-Elect ----- **Robert Seaton**

Vice-President ----- **Carl Luedtke**

Past President ----- **Marvin Roth**

Treasurer -k **Stratton** ----- **Ray Brost**

Secretary ----- **Fran**

From this beginning of 30 members our club has grown over the years. In the 1990's we reached a high of 157 members, currently in 2008 we have 106. This fluctuation in numbers is due to death, moving away and some who are no longer physically able to be active. As of March 13, we've had 125 members who have died.

The charter program took place at the Elk's Club on Wednesday, October 26, 1983. Our meetings are held every Wednesday of the month from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. We met for years at the Alpine Restaurant in Creston Park until a fire closed it. The new Alpine met in the Shopko Plaza until they no longer have room for us, at that point we transferred to the Sons of Norway Lodge on West Milwaukee Street. We are one of their major sources of income. In the beginning our dues were \$32.00 annually with \$20.00 initiation fee. We would have a beverage and rolls or donut for \$1.50. Now we're up to \$90.00 and \$3.00 for these items, inflation over 25 years is the cause. While at the Alpine the membership would pass the hat once a year for a special tip for Rose a waitress on her birthday!

We follow a basic format for each meeting, there's singing of America, pledge of allegiance, invocation, refreshments, educational moment, raffle drawing, business reports, happy box, songs, and adjournment. The main business is often the question of money. We have 2 major accounts: administration and service. The former one is based on dues, etc to be used only to run the club with its basic costs, and activities, this comes from members only. The service accounts come from fund raising from the public.

Over the years we started rather humbly with bake sales, helping the noon club with their pancake and peanut days, and Easter lilies. Then in the 1990's with the input of John Higgins we had bake and rummage sales at the fairgrounds. Some time in the early to mid 1990's John came up with the in house raffle sale for the administration fund, and tree sales for the service account. The latter really boomed-one year we sold 12,000 trees. Then in 2002 Bob Johnson and Peter Kealey started the Truck on the Ice idea. These are our 2 major sources of income, for the service account. We also have a peanut and lily day. There was also a fund raiser that raised both monies from members and the public. Jim Clark managed the I.D.D. Fund. This iodine deficiency disorder program was to fight worldwide the sad affects of the lack of iodine in people. The International Kiwanis started this idea. In all, our club raised \$30,000 which really helped people around the world

What do we do with the monies raised for the service account? We've given \$1,000's over the years to many worthy individuals and causes, the Salvation Army, and Echo are 2 major ones. There are scholarships at the U-Rock, Blackhawk Tech, and even the F.W. Douglas Living Scholarship Fund, at Craig High School, Camp Wawbeek, Rock Co. Health Center, and many others.

It is the aim of our club to continue in the years ahead to carry on the work we have so successfully preformed to date. There will be challenges in regards to fund raising and membership. The past has shown us that it can be done. So, here's to the next 25 years.

Courtesy of Dave Peterson and the archives