



# SMOKE SIGNAL



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**President:** Bruce Jorenby  
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## DIRECTORS

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

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**"Having Fun Serving the children of the world"**

## PROGRAMS

Chair: *Luci Cramer*

Jan 04	Autism	Shelly Van Tassel
Jan 11	Shipwreck Treasure	Karl Newmam
Jan 18	Edgerton Hospital Wellness Garden and Foundation	Mark Dwyer and Ann Hieden
Jan 25	Agrace	Lisa Dahlgren
Feb 1	Forward Janesville	Angela Pakes

## CLUB CALENDAR

Jan 04	9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Botanical Gardens
Jan 11	9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Botanical Gardens
Jan 18	9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Botanical Gardens
Jan 25	8:00 BOD Meeting @ Rotary Botanical Gardens 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:
Jan 04	Bob Knudson    Dave Peterson	Linda Bontly	Carl Cramer	Glenn Disrude	<b>No Singing</b>
Jan 11	Steve Johnson    Dave Kemp	Bob Knudson	Lon Coppernoll	Glenn Disrude	<b>Until</b>
Jsn 18	Dave Thill    Bob Wilcox	Glenn Disrude	Richard Johnson	Glenn Disrude	<b>Further</b>
Jan 25	John Janes    Roger Willeford	Maury Frey	Ron Shuler	Glenn Disrude	<b>Notice</b>

**Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year**

## Preidents Message

### **Bruce Jorenby**

President Blackhawk Golden "K" Kiwanis  
Happy New Year.

We are now at the end of the commercial Christmas season and the beginning of the New Year. We completed the 2022 Year End Appeal (YEA) and raised \$4650 from member contributions. Thanks to Dave Thill are due for his leading this fund raising in November and December. We also raised \$895 in member contributions for the Craig and Parker closets, which was in addition to \$2000 from fund raising activities. The total given was \$2895, with each of the two closets receiving half (\$1447.50).

We will be adding Roger Willeford to assist Greg Turco with reconciling the checking accounts and providing a second set of eyes on our charities. This work will be added to Roger's other duties as vice president.

The Christmas party was well received by the members who attended. Thanks are due to Bob Wilcox and Maury Frey for coordinating the dinner and entertainment at the Elks Club on December 21. Future parties will be Valentines Day in February 2023 or a party on St Patrick's Day

in March. Please let us know which date you prefer.

Looking toward to the New Year, recruiting new members and retaining old members will be a top priority. Tom Neumann will be leading this effort of the membership committee, and all club members are to help out by identifying potential candidates. We are looking forward to the New Year and the new challenges that are presented

### **Bruce Jorenby**

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## Happy Birthday

Janet Hay	Jan. 03
John Janes	Jan 06
Steve Johnson	Jan 12
Roger Willeford	Jan 11
Jim Hay	Jan 26

## Thought for the Day

I won't die because of a cold.—I'll die because I lived.

**BOARD of DIRECTORS**

Wednesday: 12/28/2022

**Call to Order:** 8:00 a.m. by President Jorenby**Special Meeting****Attendance****OFFICERS**

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**Others Present:** Linda Bontly Richard Johnson  
Carl Cramer Luci Cramer

**Secretary's Report:**

Paul informed the Board that the Kiwanis International Convention will be held in Minneapolis, MN. June 21-24, 2023. You can learn more about it by going to Kiwanis.org/convention. Registration costs can be covered by our service account.

Minutes were approved as printed in the Smoke Signal.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Greg Turco presented the treasurer's report to the board, which showed that our administrative account was up \$1134 due to the yearend appeal. The Christmas dinner music cost \$125. The service checking account was down \$1990 due to the \$2878 donation to Craig/Parker Closet. Total collections for Craig/Parker Closet were \$895.

Last year we collected \$2295. Despite the 61% drop in collections, we donated \$2878 to Craig/Parker, a 25% increase from last year. Greg is recommending that we restructure this program for next year to address the \$1400 hole in our budget.

To reduce the risk of fraud and theft, Greg is requesting a meeting between club officers and Johnson Bank to discuss two person approval systems for electronic payments and other procedures businesses use to reduce risk of fraud. For better accounting and clarity, Greg recommends that all checks written to members will need documentation and all checks to charities be written directly to them.

Greg made a proposal and was seconded by Tom Neumann to have the Vice President perform an independent, checking account reconciliation each month on both checking accounts. The treasurer will continue to do account reconciliation in the accounting program. The proposal was voted on and passed by the board. Greg is going to talk to the Truck on Ice committee about possibly setting up a service deposit account to accept electronic payment for T.O.I. tickets.

**OLD BUSINESS****Yearend Appeal:**

Dave Thill gave the final total amount collected for the yearend appeal and stated that the club received \$4650 from its members.

**NEW BUSINESS****Honorary Membership:**

Tom Neumann proposed to the board that the club bestow honorary membership status to those members who, through no fault of their own, can no longer attend meetings due to health or having to move. Tom made suggestions as to the criteria necessary for honorary status and made a motion to accept his proposal and was seconded by John Sarnow and passed. Tom made a motion to accept Art Castro and Wayne Olson as the first members for this honor. The motion was seconded by Gregg Dickinson, and passed.

Tom Neumann also wants to reactivate the Membership Committee to increase membership and said he would volunteer to chair this committee.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 a.m.

Submitted by Secretary, Paul Neitzel