

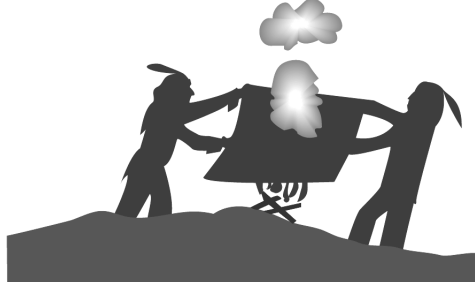
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“KIWANIS IS A GLOBAL ORGANIZATION OF VOLUNTEERS, DEDICATED TO CHANGING THE WORLD, ONE CHILD AND ONE COMMUNITY AT A TIME.”

PROGRAMS

DEC Chairs: *Curt Larson, John Nevins*
 05 All About Membership *Carl Cramer*
 12 Drought Fallout *Jim Stute*
 19 Christmas on the Homefront WWII *Ron Shuler*
 26 No Meeting

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 02 Janesville Jets *Joe Dibble & Greg Hanthorn*

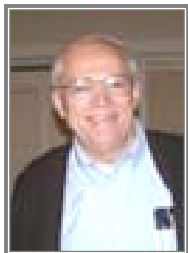
DECEMBER CLUB CALENDAR

05, 12 9:30 Club Meeting @ S.O.N.
 05 1:45 Bingo @ Rock Haven
 05, 12, 19 . . . 3:30 Builders Club @ Edison
 10 3:00 K-Kids @ Lincoln
 13 12:00 Service Clubs @ Pontiac Conv. Ctr.
 19 9:15 Board Meeting @ S.O.N.
 19 9:30 Christmas Party @ S.O.N.
 22, 24 Salvation Army Bell Ringing

	GREETERS <i>(Chair: Gary Sullivan)</i>	SPIRITUAL VALUES <i>(Chair: Ed Timmer)</i>	RAFFLE <i>(Chair: Lon Coppernoll)</i>
Dec 05	<i>Frank Spoden Bob Homan</i>	<i>Ed Timmer</i>	<i>Joel Moore</i>
Dec 12	<i>Gene Sheppard Gary Sullivan</i>	<i>Len Griffith</i>	<i>Richard Peck</i>
Dec 19	<i>Dick Fay Fred Adams</i>	<i>Glen Jablonka</i>	<i>Luci Cramer</i>
Dec 26	No Meeting		

From our PRESIDENT

Carl Cramer



Membership is a key to a great volunteer organization like Kiwanis. We have had three new members this fall and more to come. Keep up the good work!

With many volunteers we can continue to support activities that enrich our community. Our recent blood drive with the American Red Cross was again a successful two day event. Our members assisted and many donated blood.

When we have such projects, we like to have people see that the Golden K members are helping out. Our new banners about Kiwanis are a step in the right direction. Also, I would like to see Kiwanis shirts and caps worn with pride. This lets the general public know who is providing the service - be it the Blood Mobile, Salvation Army "Bell Ringing", Truck-on-Ice, Easter Lily or Peanut Day.

Please consider clearing your schedule for volunteering for Truck on Ice sales. This is our largest fundraiser of the year. We like to have everyone help with this activity. We can sell raffle tickets through the months of December, January and February. Our community knows about this annual event and appreciates how the funds are used for youth and our city.

December seems to be a busy month for all; especially for our club. We will only have three meetings. The December 5th meeting is a special meeting for inviting new members. We haven't done recruiting this way recently, but let's make it a success. Find your "Ugly Clothing" and wear it to the meeting. We have some nice prizes for our winners. Dec 12th is a normal meeting. This is followed by our Christmas meeting on the 19th. We will celebrate it by inviting spouses and/or guests. We will not have a meeting on Dec. 26, the day after Christmas. Enjoy the peace of the season and fellowship with your family and friends.

INTERCLUB NEWS

Chair: *Carl Cramer*

About every three years, a Joint Service Club meeting is held in Janesville. On Thursday, December 13th, our club members are invited to meet at the Pontiac Convention Center for a catered luncheon. The price is \$10 payable in advance. The host is the Janesville Kiwanis Noon Club. This informational meeting will be from noon to 1:00 pm.

Each of the 6 or 7 Janesville clubs will be introduced and asked to describe their club activities. This is a great opportunity to meet other clubs and see their challenges and concerns. In advance of this meeting, we already have fourteen Golden K'ers signed up to attend and room for more.

BOARD of DIRECTORS

Meeting: 11-28-2012

Members Present:

President:	<i>Carl Cramer</i>	Directors:	
President Elect:	<i>Glenn Disrude</i>		<i>Len Griffith</i>
Vice President:	<i>Ron Shuler</i>		<i>Rocke Schroeder</i>
Treasurer:	<i>Will Reck</i>		<i>Robert Paull</i>
Secretary:	<i>Paul Neitzel</i>		<i>Tom Ward</i>
Past President:	<i>John Janes</i>		<i>Glen Jablonka</i>

Others Present: *Maury Frey* *Fred Wiltse*
Dave Peterson

Call to order: at 8:27 a.m. by President Carl Cramer. The agenda was approved.

Secretary's Report:

Reviewed a correction to the minutes regarding officer elections. The minutes from the 10-31-2012 board meeting were accepted as printed in the November Smoke Signal.

Treasurer's Report:

Financial statements from 11/26/2012 were distributed and discussed. Will Reck expressed concern about the administrative account shrinking to \$910.00 and the challenge to stay in a surplus. Discussion followed on ways to cut expenses and raise additional funds. Motion to file the Treasurer's report as presented was made by Will Reck and accepted.

Correspondence:

Letter of appreciation was sent to the company that made the Kiwanis Banners and a letter was received from the Sons of Norway in regards to the \$1,000.00 donation for the air conditioning unit.

Old Business:

- Board Policies for 2012-2013. All 19 policies except 17 and 19, (*which were already approved*) were read, discussed and voted on. Policy 12 will be adjusted to reflect the new financial status with dues. It was decided to eliminate from Policy No. 13 the option of fresh flowers sent to the funeral home of a deceased member and instead replaced with a donation to the Kiwanis International Foundation in the name of the deceased members family. It was felt that the money spent would do more good.
- Official Club Documents: A need to find the club Constitution and Articles of Incorporation was expressed by President Cramer.
- Membership Drive: President Carl Cramer talked about the December 5th membership drive and that

Pete Kealey would be addressing the members at our meeting today.

- Letter from Janesville Kiwanis: A letter was received from the Kiwanis Noon Club about a bill from the city for Kiwanis Pond pier repairs in the amount of \$4,500.00 over a two year period. It was discussed once again that our intent was to enter into this project with sweat equity instead of money since we just don't have it and are under no legal obligation to pay. A communication to this effect will be sent to the Kiwanis Noon Club.
- Approval of the 2012-2013 budget: It was approved with the understanding that the budget needs to be flexible due to circumstances and cash flow.
- Consider Club Bylaws: It was discussed that the bylaws must be okayed yearly and then signed and submitted.

New Business:

- Possible Club Meeting: It was approved to hold our meeting on Wednesday, January 2, 2013.

Meeting adjourned at 9:19 a.m.

Submitted by: Paul Neitzel

BLOOD MOBILE Co-Chairs: *John Janes, Gordy Drake*



The American Red Cross Blood Mobile was held at St. John Lutheran Church; on November 19th and 20th.

52 pints were collected on Monday and 57 on Tuesday. According to the Red Cross a pint of blood can save up to three lives. Members of our club who donated were:

Maury Frey *Gordy Drake* *Charlie Mowbray,*
Bob Knudson *Ron Shuler* *Gary Sullivan*
Paul Neitzel.

Twenty three of our club members aided in being donor room and refreshment aides. Thanks for the support of all who participated.

The next Blood Mobile will be held on January 21st and 22nd at the Bethel Baptist Church.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Chair: *Jerry Langdok*

On Wednesday Jan 2nd we will have the Janesville Jets Head Coach *Joe Diddle*, and Operations Manager *Greg Hanthorn* as our guest speakers.

On Saturday Jan 26th I am planning a "Janesville Jets Golden Kiwanis Hockey night".

Start time: 7:00 PM.

Tickets: \$5.00 *in advance.*

Sign-up will be Jan 16th.

Those who are interested,
"Mark the date on your calendar".



November Participation

Bingo @ Rock Haven (Nov 07):

Duane Durrant *Luci Cramer* *Carl Cramer*
Ron Shuler *Phil Selgren* *Maury Frey*

Palmer Park Visitors Center for 2012:

124 hours *George & Harriet Christopherson*
contributed by: *Charles Mowbray* *John Sarnow*



TRUCK-ON-ICE

HELP THE KIDS HELP THE KIDS HELP THE KIDS
LOVE & CHARITY CHARITY & LOVE

Many of us will give away Truck-on-Ice guesses this Christmas season.

When do we give them away?

In December some of us will give them as stocking stuffers at the same time we open other gifts. Others will give out at Christmas dinner as a discussion topic. We will talk about cold weather, thickness of lagoon ice and sinking times. Some of us will mail them to extended family. Some of us will sell them to vulnerable friends.

Why do we do it?

Because we are Christians celebrating the extraordinary event of our God coming into our midst with a new message of "love one another!" Love and charity are synonymous. The dictionary definition of charity is A disposition to relieve the wants of others, benevolence, alms. Charity is why we put a truck with no motor and no steering wheel and no seats out on a frozen pond to sink. Charity is why we sell guesses.

We Kiwanians have a "disposition" to help young people by giving away money for:

- 1) Scholarships to students at Craig, Parker, UW Rock Co. & Blackhawk Tech.
- 2) For school breakfasts.
- 3) Youth development through Boys & Girls Club
- 4) Youth development through Boys & Girls Scouts

We depend on each of you to talk about our charities for kids.

Please remember, when appropriate, sell the guesses and get the money.

Pete Kealey & Glen Jablonka
Co-chairs: Truck-On-Ice Committee

Ron Shuler
Vice-President Operations

