

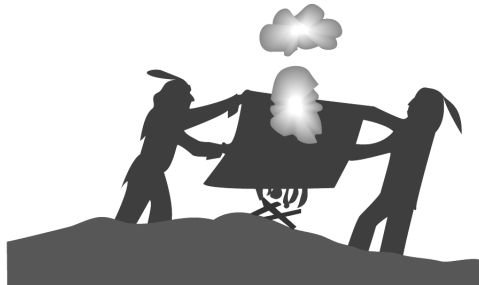
A Monthly Publication of Janesville, WI Blackhawk Golden "K" Kiwanis Club
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Meeting Each Wed: 9:30AM @ Sons of Norway Lodge, 418 W. Milwaukee St. Janesville, WI
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 ONE CHILD AND ONE COMMUNITY AT A TIME."***

PROGRAMS

DEC

Chairs: *Curt Larson, John Nevins*

04 "Christmas with Thomas Nast" *Ron Shuler*
 11 "Christmas in Argentina" *Maria Casal*
 18 Activities of a Congressional Representative *Paul Ryan*
 25 "Merry Christmas" *No Meeting*

JAN

01 "Happy New Year" *No Meeting*
 08 Mercy Hospice Homecare *Kathleen Stumpf*

DECEMBER CLUB CALENDAR

04 _____ 9:30 Christmas Party @ S.O.N.
 04 _____ 2:00 Bingo @ Rock Haven
 04, 11, 18 _____ 3:30 Builders Club @ Edison
 09 _____ 11:45 Joint Service Clubs @ Rotary Gardens
 09 _____ 3:15 K-Kids @ Lincoln (Member Induction)
 11, 18 _____ 9:30 Club Meeting @ S.O.N.
 18 _____ 8:30 Board Meeting @ S.O.N.
 Committee Reports Dueto Secretary
 Smoke Signal Items Dueto Editor
 23, 24 _____ Salvation Army Bell Ringing

	GREETERS (Chair: Gary Sullivan)	SPIRITUAL VALUES (Chair: Ed Timmer)	RAFFLE (Chair: Lon Coppernoll)
Dec 04	Ed Timmer Ray Anderson	Ed Timmer	Lon Coppernoll
Dec 11	Rocke Schroeder Richard Johnson	Glenn Kipfer	John Sarnow
Dec 18	Bruce Pierson Frank Spoden	Glen Jablonka	Dick Fay
Dec 25	Merry Christmas --- No Meeting		

From our PRESIDENT

Glenn Disrude

Welcome to December and only 21 days left to shop before Christmas. I hope you had an enjoyable Thanksgiving and you were able to spend some quality time with family and friends.

December brings with it only three club meetings (no meeting on Christmas Day), Bingo at Rock Haven- December 4th, Janesville Joint Service Club meeting-December 9th, Truck on Ice Kick off-December 11th, Salvation Army Bell Ringing-December 23rd & 24th, and gifts for Rock Haven Residents-December 11th. Ron will also be meeting with the Edison Builders Club and Luci and I will meet with the Lincoln K-Kids during December. These activities provide many opportunities to participate in projects that help to enhance and improve our community by supporting our children and young adults.

As you are aware, we are an active club and all of us are very busy with club activities, personal



responsibilities, family involvement, social interactions and other community organizations. We can only do so much each day and as an organization we must continue to grow if we are going to keep up this pace. Recruitment is the key to club growth, so always carry your blue card with you because you never know when the opportunity will arise to tell someone about our great club and ask them if they would be interested in attending a meeting with you. A BIG thanks to Richard Peck for bringing our newest member, Dale Fulton, into our club. Welcome Dale and great to have you with us.

If you are looking for a special gift for that special person you might want to consider Truck on Ice Tickets. If you are looking for ways to spend quality time with that special person, you might want to invite them to ring bells with you. If you are looking for a way to save the life of a mother and child you might want to donate \$1.80 through our international program of Maternal Neonatal Tetanus.

I hope you will be able to take some quality time to be with family and friends over the holiday season and enjoy the true meaning of Christmas.

Thanks for all you do! *Glenn*



The Builders Club Costume Dance, held on November 1st, was very successful. Their profit was a little under \$800. Thanks to *Carl and Luci Cramer, Richard and Darlene Johnson, John Holcomb, and Ron Shuler* for their help. Here are a couple pictures from the event:



Bell Ringing

Club members will be ringing Salvation Army bells at Sam's Club and both Wal-Mart doors. As minors, they need adult help and will be ringing on:

Saturday December 7th, 8-10am and on
Thursday December 12th, 4-6 pm

The Christmas Communitree Competition and Show

*Sponsored by the Pontiac Convention Center,
Kandu, and Best Events*



This is a competition event to promote clubs, non-profits, and businesses. Entries decorate their own tree in the Lobby and Banquet area of the Convention Center.

Participation is free. Visitors to the Convention Center vote on style, design, uniqueness, theme, and concept.

The winning entry receives
\$ 300

Ron Shuler created the pictured entry for our club. Our theme is "The Service Organization honors those who serve." (Thanks Ron!)

Last day to vote is December 22nd. Let's get out there, vote for our entry and earn the \$ 300 for our club.

ROCK HAVEN NEWS

Chair: *John Holcomb*

Christmas for Residents

To meet their schedule, we need to have your gifts to our meeting by the December 11 meeting.

Here is the suggested list of gift items:



Rock Haven Nursing Home

2013 Suggested Holiday Gift Items

- ☐ Scent Free Body Lotion (*Curel, Eucerin*)
- ☐ Puffs Kleenex Tissues
- ☐ Digital Clock Radios
- ☐ Wall Clocks
- ☐ DVD Players, DVDs|CD Players, CDs,
- ☐ Newspaper Subscriptions (*Janesville Gazette*)
- ☐ 2014 Wall Calendars
- ☐ Diabetic Socks or Gripper Socks (Lg)
- ☐ Hair Shampoo/Conditioner
- ☐ Body Wash (men's and women's)
- ☐ Money

Please DO NOT SEND: Clothing, Linens, Tableware, Candles, Flammable Items, Glass Items or Scented Perfumes/Lotions/Soaps.

Thank you so much – Rock Haven Residents and Staff



On November 6th, we helped 28 residents play bingo at Rock Haven. They really enjoy this time with them.

<i>Duane Durrant</i>	<i>Carl Cramer</i>
<i>Luci Cramer</i>	<i>Maury Frey</i>
<i>Dick Olin</i>	<i>John Holcomb</i>

"Thank You", for your Rock Haven support

Welcome, to our Newest Member

Sponsored by:
Dick Peck



Dale Fulton
November 27, 2013



TRUCK ON ICE

TRUCK SINKS INTO LAGOON, KIDS SURVIVE

This year our focus is on homeless high school students. So we are going to **sink the truck to help raise the kids.** The gift that requires the most sacrifice on our part is to give to others our time, our talent, and our treasure. Our Truck-On-Ice fundraiser requires us to tap into all three. Our personal reward for doing this is the peace of mind that cannot be purchased at any price. The breakdown of the personal cost is as follows;

1. **Time**, we volunteer for the shifts at cooperating outlets.
2. **Talent**, we use our head to sell the guesses and get the money
3. **Treasure**, buy tickets as stocking stuffers for your kids and grandkids.

Homeless and high school used to be a contradiction in terms. It is like wisdom and Washington D.C. However Homeless High School Students are a reality in our community today. We can help by emphasizing that that is where much of our money from this fundraiser is going. Every school kid deserves a safe shelter and we going to help preserve that secure shelter for as many as we can.

Spiritually, you know that there is something in you that is a riverbed of mercy. It is vast, silent and resourceful. It is telling you that this fundraising effort is a right thing to do. You are doing it;

1. **To shelter**, homeless high school students
2. **To provide**, scholarships at high school & higher levels
- 3) **To guide**, youth development with donations to the Boys & Girls Club and the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts.

To emphasize the charitable aspect of this effort rather than the prize money attach a pocket insert from your packet to the guess. It will change their whole perception of the purpose of the event.

Bottom line — Sell the guesses, Get the money

Merry Christmas



BOARD of DIRECTORS

Meeting: 11-27-2013

Attendance:

President:	<i>Glenn Disrude</i>	Directors:	
President Elect:	<i>Ron Shuler</i>	<i>Robert Paull (Abs)</i>	
Vice President:	<i>Rocke Schroeder</i>	<i>Tom Ward</i>	
Treasurer:	<i>Will Reck</i>	<i>Glen Jablonka</i>	
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Past President::	<i>Carl Cramer</i>	<i>Dave Peterson</i>	

Others Present: *Gordy Drake* *Maury Frey*

Call to order: 8:31 by President Glenn Disrude

Secretary's Report:

Submitted as published in the November Smoke Signal with no changes and approved. Paul discussed a members concern on where board minutes are kept. Further action deferred.

Treasurer's Report:

Will distributed the treasurer's report. He reported that we are liquid and no payments were made from the Service Account in November. He noted the increased income to the Happy Box coming from the Joker Pot raffle. Will moved to file report as submitted, seconded by Dave. *Passed.*

Old Business:

Kiwanis Standard Form Club Bylaws and Policies:

Glenn Disrude completed a review and discussion of the optional policies section where topics for further discussion were noted. We have until September 30, 2014 for final approval from International and want to get it complete from the first submission. Subcommittee (*Glenn, Ron, Gordy, Carl, Rocke, Dave*) will review the current draft, existing policies, and prepare the next draft to present to the board. Glenn will schedule the meeting time. Once developed by the board, copies will be made available for membership review.

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Blackhawk Golden K Policies: Tabled. Covered in above discussion.

Club funding for the Janesville Joint Service Club

Meeting: Motion made by Carl to have the club pay \$8.75 for members attending the Joint Janesville Service Club meeting to be held on Dec 9 at Rotary Gardens. Motion died for lack of a 2nd.

New Business:

Year End Appeal: Requested by Maury Frey to consider a year end financial appeal to our members as done by other not-for-profit organizations. Motion made by Carl Cramer for an appeal to club members for a non-deductible contribution to the club's Administrative Fund, 2nd by Rocke. Passed by majority vote. Letter will be prepared by Carl and Maury.

Alternative Meeting Date for January 1: Motion made by Dave to cancel any alternative meeting date for January 1. 2nd by Ron. Passed.

Posting the budget on our web page: This request from a member was deferred to later date. Glenn and Dave will meet and develop guidelines for posting information to the club website and present concerns and options to the board.

Monthly Reports: Tabled due to lack of time.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:21 a.m.

Submitted by: *Dave Peterson*

INTERCLUB NEWS

Chair: *Carl Cramer*



Seven members visited the Beloit State Line Golden Kiwanis club on Tuesday, Nov. 12th.

We enjoyed the fellowship with the small club and a program about excessive alcohol usage in Beloit. Debbie Fisher and her aide presented the results of their surveys. They mentioned that in Wisconsin, 20% of the alcohol consumed is by those under the age of 21. They also presented information about the large amount of alcohol advertising available and the low tax rate.

Attending were:

<i>Dale Henning</i>	<i>Dave Knoerr</i>	<i>Gordon Drake</i>
<i>Phil Selgren</i>	<i>Ron Shuler</i>	<i>Luci Cramer</i>
	<i>Carl Cramer.</i>	

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



The Red Cross Blood Drive was held at St. John's Lutheran Church; on November 25th and 26th. This was a busy week with the blood drive and the Thanksgiving holiday

We collected 64 units on Monday and 62 units on Tuesday. We exceeded the goal on both days. It was a great drive overall.

We had four members who donated blood. Those units could save as many as 12 lives.

Sixteen members of our club, aided by being donor room aides, refreshment aides and greeters. Twenty of our members spent an additional 30 hours delivering posters to businesses in the area

In total, this Service Project was a total of 84 hours.

"THANKS",
for taking time out of your busy schedule.

The next blood drive will be at:
Bethel Baptist Church
Jan 27th, 10:30 – 3:30 and
Jan 28th, 1:00 – 6:30

Everyday items that may Help Others

- Box Tops for Education
- Aluminum can tabs
- Campbell's Soup Labels
- Eye glasses no longer used

It's simple

Just collect them and bring them to a meeting

*Don't forget the gifts for Rock Haven.
Every gift is appreciated by their residents*