

**A Monthly Publication of Janesville, WI Blackhawk Golden "K" Kiwanis Club**  
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2015 Glen Jablonka  
 Tom Ward  
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 Dave Peterson  
 2017 Maury Frey

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

**PROGRAMS**

**May** Chairs: *Luci Cramer, John Nevins*  
 06 Robotics \_\_\_\_\_ *Tom Heiss*  
 13 Police Use of Force \_\_\_\_\_ *Dave Moore*  
 “A Local Perspective”  
 20 DNR: Coyotes \_\_\_\_\_ *Michael Foy*  
 27 Gardens of Vancouver \_\_\_\_\_ *Mark Dwyer*  
**Jun**  
 03 Rock Valley Housing for Vets \_\_\_\_\_ *Marsha Galvin*

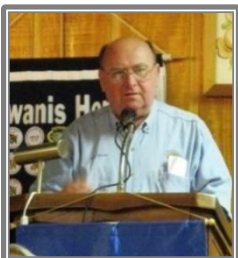
**MAY CLUB CALENDAR**

06 \_\_\_\_\_ 9:30 *Annual Club Meeting @ S.O.N.*  
 06 \_\_\_\_\_ 2:00 *Bingo @ Rock Haven*  
 13, 20 \_\_\_\_\_ 9:30 *Club Meetings @ S.O.N.*  
 16, 17 \_\_\_\_\_ *Renaissance Faire @ Traxler Park*  
 27 \_\_\_\_\_ 8:30 *Board of Directors Meeting @ S.O.N.*  
 27 \_\_\_\_\_ 9:30 *Club Meeting @ S.O.N.*

	GREETERS <i>(Chair: Gary Sullivan)</i>		RAFFLE <i>(Chair: Bruce Pierson)</i>	DEVOTIONS <i>(Chair: Ed Timmer)</i>	SINGING <i>(Chair: Phil Selgren)</i>
May 06	<i>Carl Cramer</i>	<i>Gary Sullivan</i>	<i>Maury Frey</i>	<i>Ed Timmer</i>	<i>Glen Jablonka</i>
May 13	<i>Lon Coppernoll</i>	<i>Gene Sheppard</i>	<i>Luci Cramer</i>	<i>Lon Coppernoll</i>	<i>Richard Johnson</i>
May 20	<i>Linda Servais</i>	<i>Luci Cramer</i>	<i>Gil Klukas</i>	<i>Glen Jablonka</i>	<i>John Sarnow</i>
May 27	<i>Mel Lemirande</i>	<i>John Sarnow</i>	<i>Dick Fay</i>	<i>Ed Timmer</i>	<i>Phil Selgren</i>

**From our PRESIDENT**

**Ron Shuler**



Many of us have started taking advantage of the nicer weather to plant gardens, mow lawns, and other jobs around the house, in addition to staying active with Golden K. When openings came up for leadership positions on committees or as officers, members volunteered to take on the responsibilities. Sometimes we feel "burned out", but someone else keeps the fire going. Sometimes we have health concerns that may slow us down, but we tend to do what we can as an active member of Golden K. Sometimes a program inspires us to go an extra mile, such as a member offering to match up to \$250 for the Craig and Parker closets. The good news is that our club surpassed that offer.

Recently, we were informed that Mauritania has become the 36th country to be added to the list of countries where Project Eliminate has been successful. We can be proud of what we do, but there are still more challenges ahead. The one challenge that I am most aware of is reaching the goal

of Project Eliminate, now in its fifth year, of successfully supplying neonatal tetanus care for 23 more countries. In this the centennial year of Kiwanis I would ask that you consider making a thoughtful donation to help Project Eliminate save lives and reach its worldwide goal.

**TREE SALE @ Rotary Gardens**

**“THANK YOU”**

To all who helped with the sale of trees at Rotary Gardens. This was my first year at this fundraiser and I learned a lot from Glenn Disrude and Maury Frey about how to operate at peak efficiency.

I also had a few suggestions on how to even make it better, which will be considered for next year. Not all the trees had been sold at print time, so I don't have an exact amount of money made. However, after expenses it should be close to \$1,900. Chair: *John James*

## **INTERCLUB NEWS**

Chair: *Carl Cramer*

We had two events in April.

For the first time, we visited the Kiwanis Club of Ft. Atkinson on Monday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 pm. They are an active club with about 30 members. They meet the Salamone's Italian Restaurant. The program was presented by the Circle K Club at the UW-Whitewater. The outgoing President and the incoming President spoke about their club. Their faculty sponsor was present.

Attending were: *Wiley Kissinger Ron Shuler*  
*Dave Peterson Luci Cramer Carl Cramer*

On Tuesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, at 3:00 pm, our club visited our Kiwanis sponsored Lincoln Elementary School, K-Kids. Friends of Noah, an animal rescue group, presented the program. A couple of owners and their dogs were shown and discussed. Later, the children were presented with Friends of Noah t-shirts. The kids used supplies to write on the shirts and to make tie-dye designs on them.

Attending were: *Glenn Disrude Luci Cramer*  
*Linda Servais Carl Cramer*

## **ROCK HAVEN NEWS**

Chair: *John Holcomb*

On April 1<sup>st</sup> my thanks to the following members and friend who helped bring bingo to 40 of the residents at Rock Haven.

*Carl Cramer Linda Servais Phil Selgren*  
*Duane Durrant Jack Biddick Sue Mueller*  
*John Holcomb (Chair)*

*We take a summer break after the May 6<sup>th</sup> Bingo*



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

***Mark Your Calendars !!***

### **RENAISSANCE FAIRE, @ Traxler Park**

May 16, 17 10:00am – 6:00pm

Staffing is needed at the front gate and beverage area.

*Additional information at May meetings.*

*Gordy Drake*

### **GOLDEN K GOLF OUTING**

June 11 and August 20

Save these dates for our golf outings.

*More information coming in May.*

*Glenn Disrude*

### **RONALD McDONALD CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Beloit Country Club

Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>

Lunch:11:30am Start Time:12:30pm

*Sign-up sheets will be available in June*

*Jerry Langdok*

## **2015 - EASTER LILY PROJECT**

On April 04<sup>th</sup>, 2015 36 Kiwanians and 6 Friends of Kiwanis, participated in our Easter Lily promotion program. Easter Lily lapel pins were handed out at 10 local businesses in the city of Janesville. All proceeds will go to Camp Wawbeek at Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin. Funds raised provide scholarships for handicapped individuals from southern Wisconsin.

### **Donations Collected Currency \$4,278.00 + Coin \$457.81 = Total \$ 4,735.81**

93 Hours on Collections and delivery to bank. Collectors were credited with 1/2 hour to deliver money to bank central from each site (*see list below*).

The credit unions were 3 hours each.

No Hours, or pick up vehicles, were used this year because of a change in procedure.

22 Hours Receiving Money (*Chuck & Pat McNulty, Frank Douglas, Wiley Kessinger*)

34 Hours Administration & Insurance (*Curt Larson, Carl Cramer*)

Money, Bank Deposits, Records (*Will Reck*)

### **149 Total Volunteer Hours for Project**

### **Participating Kiwanians**

*Adams, D. Anderson, Biddick, Castro, C. Cramer, Delo, Disrude, F. Douglas, R Douglas, Drake, Fay, Hay, Henning, Holcomb, Janes, R. Johnson, P. Kealey, Kellogg, Kessinger, Knudson, Langdok, Larson, C. McNulty, Pat McNulty, Moody, Neitzel, Olson, Peterson, Reck, Sarnow, Schroeder, Selgren, Shuler, Sullivan, Thill, Timmer.*

### **Friends Of Kiwanis Who Participated**

*Doris Henning, Andrea Hughes, Kailey Hughes, Mary Peterson, Marcia Phillips, Mary Larson*

**Thank you** to Chuck and Pat McNulty for letting us use their home as money central.

Thanks also go to the McNulty's for the great snacks and refreshments which they provided.

If any names are missing from any of the categories please accept our apologies.

**Chair:** *Curt Larson*



## **BOARD of DIRECTORS**

Meeting: 4-29-2015

### **Attendance:**

<b>President:</b>	Ron Shuler	<b>Directors:</b>
<b>President Elect:</b>	Rocke Schroeder	Lon Coppernoll
<b>Vice President:</b>	Richard Johnson	Maury Frey
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Will Reck	Glen Jablonka
<b>Secretary:</b>	Paul Neitzel	Dave Peterson
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**Others Present:** John Janes Pete Kealey

**Call to order:** 8:30 a.m.

### **Secretary's Report:**

Submitted as published in the April Smoke Signal and approved.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Will reported that the Easter Lily campaign was very successful and that the \$4,736 raised has been sent to the Easter Seals organization in Madison, WI. Will also gave an update on the status of the administrative and service accounts and said that they are in good shape. Will moved that the report be filed as submitted and it was seconded and approved.

### **Club Correspondence:**

Our club received a letter from the 4C Helping Communities Help Children Organization (a child care resource and referral agency). Their goal is to help ensure all children have access to developmentally appropriate toys, books and resources during the early learning years that are so critical to a child's development. They are seeking our consideration to support this project. The board would like more information before committing to this project.

### **Old Business:**

#### Fee Increase:

The Board decided to table this matter until fall.

#### Umpire Funding:

Dave Peterson spoke on behalf of supporting the Umpire Fund and how this fits in with our mission statement. Dave made a motion to request financial support of this program and Glenn Disrude seconded to open up for discussion. Discussion centered on not only supporting the Boys and Girls Club but a separate one time funding amount to be determined. After some discussion, it was determined to allocate \$300 for this program. The Board proposed that we talk to Jerry Burhans and ask him when he needs the money for this program. The motion was seconded and approved.

#### Dine 4 A Cause at the Lube:

Ron Shuler discussed the process of getting involved in this type of fundraiser and after some discussion about expenses, man-hours involved and possible net return from this endeavor, it was decided not to do it for a variety of reasons.

#### Nominations:

Glenn Disrude explained the nomination process for the 2015-2016 election of officers. The nominees are: President: Rocke Schroeder - President-Elect: Richard Johnson - Vice President: Carl Cramer - Treasurer: Will Reck - Directors: John Sarnow & David Thill.

#### Membership Drive:

Glenn Disrude expressed a concern about the decline in membership not only within our club but all service organizations. Discussion centered on ideas to generate new members.

### **New Business:**

#### Tree Sales:

John Janes gave an overview of our successful tree sales and proposed that we give a donation to Rotary Gardens for their help with our fundraiser. After some discussion about how much to donate, Richard Johnson made a motion to give \$500 and it was seconded by Glenn Disrude and approved. The preliminary numbers show that we raised over \$2,400.

**Meeting Adjourned:** at 9:13 a.m.

Submitted by Secretary: Paul Neitzel