

A Monthly Publication of Janesville, WI Blackhawk Golden "K" Kiwanis Club
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2017 Maury Frey
2018 John Sarnow
 David Thill

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

PROGRAMS

Oct Chairs: *Luci Cramer, John Nevins*
 07 Farming and Food _____ *Sara Handley*
 14 Benefit Services for the Elderly _____ *Josh Hinz*
 21 Eagles _____ *Kurt VanGalder*
 28 Changes for the Jvl. School Board _____ *Kevin Murray*
Nov
 04 Turtle Creek Chamber Orchestra _____ *Gregory Roy*
 In Europe 2017

OCTOBER CLUB CALENDAR

07 _____ 9:30 **Club Meeting @ S.O.N.**
 07 _____ 2:00 **BINGO @ Rock Haven**
 14 _____ 9:30 **Club Meeting @ S.O.N.**
 21 _____ 9:30 **Club Meeting @ S.O.N.**
 28 _____ 8:30 **Board of Directors Meeting @ S.O.N.**
 28 _____ 9:30 **Club Meeting @ S.O.N.**

	GREETERS (Chair: Gary Sullivan)		RAFFLE (Chair: Bruce Pierson)	DEVOTIONS (Chair: Ed Timmer)	SINGING (Chair: Phil Selgren)
Oct 07	John Janes	Gil Klukas	Bruce Pierson	Ed Timmer	John Sarnow
Oct 14	Curt Larson	Richard Johnson	Luci Cramer	Lon Coppernoll	Phil Selgren
Oct 21	Wiley Kessinger	Charlie Mowbray	Glenn Disrude	Glen Jablonka	Glen Jablonka
Oct 28	Luci Cramer	Richard Peck	Gil Klukas	Phil Selgren	Richard Johnson

From our PRESIDENT

Rocke Schroeder

Our club exists to "Serve the Children" and we have developed many ways to do that. **Our Goals for 2015-2016**

In order to carry out our mission we will strive to:

- Continue efforts to seek new members, invite friends and acquaintances to meetings and outings. Once on board we need to mentor them, make them feel welcome and quickly involve them in club activities.
- Create better communication between the committees, the board of directors, and the officers. This should continue to be a priority. Good communication creates camaraderie and our member retention will be strengthened.
- Increase club visibility through the sharing of information to the membership via the Smoke Signal and web site. We will also increase our clubs visibility in the community by our active participation in club fundraisers and service projects.



As Chairman of Peanut Days 2015, we ended the fundraiser with a little over \$4,000 profit.

39 of our members participated (*that is just under 50% of our membership*) and did a great job raising over \$5,000 in 110 hours. I just wonder how much better we could have done if we would have had a larger percentage of our members involved in this project.

By Comparison

<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
10 sites	12 sites.
55 shifts (110 hrs.)	69 shifts (140 hrs)

13 of our members stepped up and worked more than one shift and there were 14 hours provided by Friends of Kiwanis. 24 unsold boxes of peanuts were purchased by members.

Peanut Days are one of the major fundraisers for our mission to help kids. We need a larger percent of our membership to participate in this major fundraising event.

Rocke



ROCK HAVEN NEWS

Thanks to the following members who helped 31 residents with the Bingo event on September 2nd

Luci Cramer
Maury Frey

Carl Cramer
Phil Selgren

INTERCLUB NEWS

Chair: Carl Cramer



Six members of our club visited the Clinton Kiwanis club on Tuesday, September 15th. This was a lunch meeting and we ordered off the menu.

Attending were:

Phil Selgren Dale Henning Wiley Kessinger
Ron Schuler David Thill Carl Cramer

The club is small with 9 members attending. They discussed their budget for the new year. They have the \$10 increase in dues; they also have decided to prorate the dues of new members. We have done the same. A nice time was had by all.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Will Reck

2014-2015 Year As Of: September 16, 2015				
ACCOUNTS			Admin	Service
Assets			8,988	12,075
Liabilities	Scholarships			4,500
	Dues		5,816	
	Joker Pot		719	
	Net		2,453	7,575
FUND RAISERS			Budget	Actual
Truck on Ice	Revenue		16,000	15,985
	Expenses		6,500	5,949
	Net		9,500	10,036
Tree Sale	Revenue		4,850	4,769
	Expenses		1,850	2,446
	Net		3,000	2,323
Peanut Day	Revenue		5,600	5,884
	Expense		1,800	1,800
	Net		3,800	4,084



The Boys' & Girls' Club of Janesville's Umpire Class of 2015 joined the previous classes of 2013 and 2014 on the field this year and excelled at a very high level in multiple tournaments around the state.

One first-year umpire not only performed extremely well, but also played baseball on the 13U team that represented Janesville at the World Series in New York State where he was named the Defensive Utility Player of the World Series. This young man is Clark Schmaling. (*centered in the picture*)

Two second-year students Victoria Pulcine, a high school senior, and Sidney Zimmerman, a sophomore, both graduated from ASA National School and are umpiring college-level fall softball.

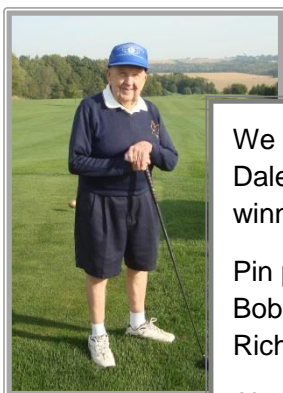
Two additional students of this school, Taylor Hayden and Jarod Wason, have also graduated from the ASA National School.

We currently have a core group of working umpires of about 12 out of 15 who have been trained at the Boys' & Girl's Cub.

Thanks to the club for supporting my efforts in this program

Jerry Burhans

The weather was great for our last golf outing of 2015



We had thirteen golfers participate with the team of Dale Fulton, Tom Ward and Rocke Schroeder winning with a three under par 33.

Pin prize winners were Rocke Schroeder, Tom Ward, Bob Pedersen, Art Castro, John Janes, Sam Thurner, Richard Peck and John Olson.

Also, John Olson (1984) our most senior Blackhawk Golden K member and Wiley Kessinger (1987) third on the list, greatly enhanced our golf group with the quality of their play and charismatic personalities.

Glenn Disrude



BOARD of DIRECTORS

Meeting: 9-23-2015

Attendance:

President:	Ron Shuler	Directors:	
President Elect:	Rocke Schroeder		Lonnie Coppernoll
Vice President:	Richard Johnson		Maury Frey
Treasurer:	Will Reck		Glen Jablonka
Secretary:	Paul Neitzel		Dave Peterson
Past President:	Glenn Disrude		Tom Ward (Abs.)

Others Present: Carl Cramer Luci Cramer Gordon Drake David Thill

Call to order: 8:30 a.m.

Secretary's Report: The minutes were approved as published.

Treasurer's Report:

Will reported that our club did well with Peanut Day Based on what we budgeted for the project and our net profit of \$4,084. Our club will start out the new fiscal year in good financial shape. Will moved that the report be approved as submitted and it was seconded and approved.

Old Business:

Kiwanis Park Playground:

Maury Frey and Gordy Drake discussed the meeting that took place with Ben Coopman and Tom Presny from the Janesville Noon Kiwanis Club in regards to the Kiwanis Park Playground. The city wants to spend \$25,000 on new playground equipment and the grounds. The Noon Club is willing to donate \$5,000/year for five years and would like our club to join in the effort and donate as well. Maury expressed concern about how our money would be spent since no specifics were given. It was felt that the equipment is still in good shape and that the playground gets limited use. Another concern is that we might not have the funds to donate to this project and that our money might be better spent elsewhere. Their recommendation was to put funding this project on hold until we get more defined information. The board voted to table this project until more is known.

Audit Committee:

Dan Heerey and Ray Cummings would like to meet with the board and members of the fundraising committees to get feedback to their communiqués. Due to foreign travel, they would like to meet at 8:45 a.m. on Wednesday, October 7th. The board agreed to this special meeting.

Installation Breakfast:

Ron gave an update on the number of people attending and payment and planned to announce to the membership that anyone who has won awards in the past should wear them to the Installation Breakfast.

By-laws:

An update to our by-laws describing the new fee structure payment for new members was discussed. The graduated fee of 100%, 75%, 50% and 25% remains the same. The dollar amounts have changed to reflect the increase in dues.

New Business:

Passing the Can:

The board felt that passing the can to help with Kiwanis sponsored causes such as Salvation Army and Echo is fine to continue but that we should not pass the can for each speakers cause. If members want to donate to a guest speaker cause, they are free to contribute based on hand-out information through the mail or directly to the speaker.

New Member Approval:

Carl Cramer recommended that Edward Waddell be approved for membership into our club after a brief introduction to the board. Dave Peterson seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Christmas Parade:

Ron brought up the idea of having the truck from Truck on Ice be in the X-Mas Parade. Discussion about lighting the float and how to display the truck on the Davis Wrecker ensued. Glen Jablonka moved to pursue the X-Mas Parade idea and was seconded by Dave Peterson. The board approved the motion.

Christmas Tree / Pontiac Convention Center:

Ron proposed the Blackhawk Golden K Christmas Tree entry at the Pontiac Convention Center and it was approved.

Meeting Adjourned: at 9:02 a.m.

Submitted by Secretary: Paul Neitzel

2014-2015 in Review



Passing the Gavel
September



Trunk or Treat
October



Golf Outing
August



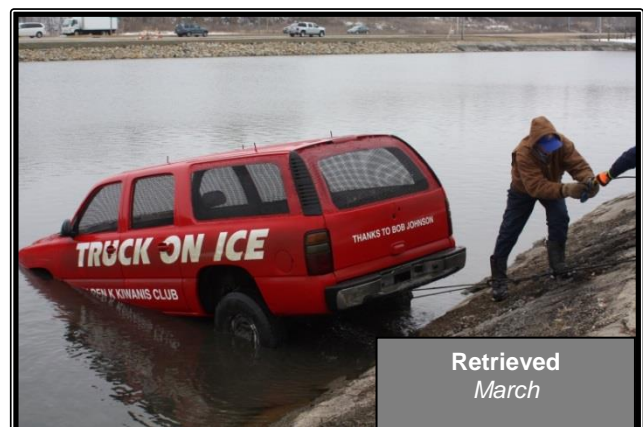
Comunitree
December



Flag Retirement
June



Top Organization Bell Ringer
December



Retrieved
March



On the Ice
February



Valentine Party
February