





# A Monthly Publication of Janesville, WI Blackhawk Golden "K" Kiwanis Club Post Office Box No. 2712 kiwanisblackhawk.com

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Meeting Each Wed: 9:30AM @ Sons of Norway Lodge, 418 W. Milwaukee St. Janesville, WI

Wisconsin / Upper Michigan Governor: John Collins

Division 5 Lt. Governor: Jim Buskel

#### **OFFICERS**

President: Richard Johnson Past Pres: Rocke Schroeder Pres. Elect: Carl Cramer Vice Pres: David Thill Treasurer: Will Reck Asst. Treas: John Sarnow Secretary: Paul Neitzel Asst. Sec: **Ed Timmer** 



# 2017 Maury Frey 2018 John Sarnow Linda Servais 2019 Luci Cramer Robert Douglas

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

PROGRAMS					
<u>Dec</u> Chairs	: Luci Cramer, John Nevins				
07 Soccer	Bill McCabe				
14 Salvation Army	Major Bob				
21 Frances Willard	Elizabeth Martiniak				
28 TBA	,				
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DECEMBER CLUB CALENDAR					
03 5:00	Janesville Christmas Parade				
07, 14, 21, 28 9:30	Club Meetings @ S.O.N.				
07 2:00	BINGO @ Rock Haven				
1211:45	Service Clubs @ Pontiac Conv. Ctr.				
12, 13	Blood Mobile @ St. Williams				
14 9:30	Truck on Ice Kickoff @ S.O.N				
14 5:00	Christmas Party @ Elks Lodge				
21, 22	Salvation Army Bell Ringing				
28 8:30	Board of Directors Meeting @ S.O.N.				

	GREETERS (Chair: Lon Coppernoll)		RAFFLE (Chair: Bruce Pierson)	DEVOTIONS (Chair: Ed Timmer)	SINGING (Chair: Phil Selgren)
Dec 07	Linda Servais	Dave Peterson	Luci Cramer	Ed Timmer	Phil Selgren
Dec 14	Curt Larson	Richard Johnson	Lon Coppernoll	Lon Coppernoll	Glen Jablonka
Dec 21	Dick Fay	Don Kellogg	Linda Servais	Glen Jablonka	Richard Johnson
Dec 28	Wiley Kessinger	Bruce Pierson	Glen Jablonka	Phil Selgren	John Sarnow

#### From our PRESIDENT

#### Richard Johnson

Here are a couple of items to think about during the next year. I am not making any comments. These are possible ideas.



- First, since there are many individuals in Kiwanis who volunteer on a regular basis and also many
  - others who volunteer we could possibly have a meal for all volunteers. This meal would be covered by Kiwanis. There would be no extra program since the activity would focus on volunteers.
- Second, there are clubs who are growing in membership because they offered a catered meal. Would it be to our benefit to serve a catered meal? Would this appeal to new members?



## YEAR END APPEAL

By now, everyone should have received their "yearend appeal" letter. Hopefully, you did not just discard it but are considering a donation. Last year, around \$3,000 was raised and for the past three years, since the appeal letter started, over \$10,000 was raised.

We are a great volunteer club. Some of us may not be able to do a lot of volunteering for various reasons, so why not consider donating a little extra. Whatever you give is appreciated.

Maury

Janesville Community Blood Drive St. William, 1820 Ravine St.

Monday, Dec. 12, 10:30 – 3:30 Tuesday, Dec. 13, 1:00 – 6:30



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#### **BOARD of DIRECTORS** Meeting: 11-30-2016

#### Attendance:

President: Richard Johnson **Directors: President Elect:** Carl Cramer (Abs.) Maury Frey Vice President: John Sarnow David Thill Treasurer: Will Reck Linda Servais Secretary: Paul Neitzel Luci Cramer (Abs.) Past President: Rocke Schroeder Robert Douglas (Abs.)

Others Present: Pete Kealey Dave Peterson

Call to Order: 8:31 a.m. by President Johnson

#### Secretary's Report:

The minutes were approved as printed in the Smoke Signal

#### Treasurer's Report:

Will reported that the \$6,000 budgeted for Craig and Parker H.S. scholarships will be reduced to \$4,500 due to either three students not earning the award or not applying to accept the money. That money will go back into the Service Account. Will made a motion to file the report as submitted and was seconded by John Sarnow and approved.

#### **New Business:**

#### **Retention of Financial Documents:**

Paul Neitzel brought to the attention of the Board the idea of retaining any correspondence dealing with financial transactions such as gifts to the club or donations to charities in an effort to have supporting evidence when doing year-end financial reviews or in the unlikely event of a tax audit. Paul agreed to keep a file of all financial correspondence.

#### Overhead Projector:

Will Reck received an invoice of \$892 from Pro & Home Electronics to cover the cost of the overhead projector and made a motion to pay the bill. It was seconded by David Thill and approved.

#### Stipends for Reimbursement Fees:

There is a \$25 fee to be paid to Kiwanis International for all members needing a background security check. This would affect 3 members for a total of \$75. Rather than have the individual members pay this out of pocket expense, John Sarnow made a motion to have the club reimburse these members. After some discussion, the motion was denied due to a lack of information and will be brought up again when more is known

#### Meeting was adjourned at 8:47 a.m.

Submitted by Secretary, Paul Neitzel

# The Christmas Communitree Competition and Show

At the Pontiac Convention Center,

Ron Shuler created the pictured entry for our club.

This year, the theme of the tree is "A Retro Christmas" representing the late 1950s to the mid- 1960s. The aluminum tree fell from popularity when Charlie Brown mocked a pink one in "A Charlie Brown Christmas" in 1965.

The tree is decorated with beaded ornaments which were popular to make from craft kits at this time. The tree is lighted by a color wheel because putting strands of lights on the aluminum branches would be very dangerous.

#### Reminder:

The tree that wins the People's Choice category wins \$300 for the organization. Voting ends Dec. 23rd.

("Thanks Ron!")

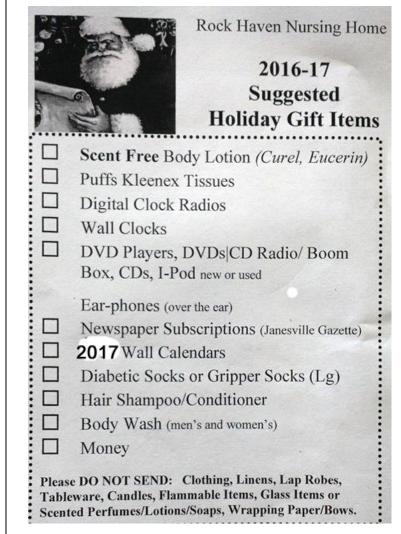
#### **ROCK HAVEN NEWS**



Thanks to the following members who helped 37 residents play Bingo on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. We could do a better job with 6 members. Can you find a couple hours?

Linda Servais Marcia Phillips Phil Selgren







## **Craig Cares Campaign 2016**

**Thanks guys**. Through your generosity, **\$499** was raised and we will be helping 4 students (#32, #48, #50, #51) at Craig High School have a merrier CHRISTMAS this year.

We will be getting them \$100 gift certificates from the store of their choice along with some stocking stuffers that Vicki and I will pick out. They always ask for the usual things like soap/shampoo/ deodorant and one girl from the 10<sup>th</sup> grade wanted some SOCKS and CANDY.

You should all feel good about helping out with this event and if you have any questions please let me know.

Thanks again for what you are doing and Vicki and I wish you a MERRY CHRISTMAS and SUPER 2017.

Respectfully, Jerry Langdok



# Jolly Jingle Parade Saturday, December 3

Thanks to Davis Citgo for taking the truck out of storage and putting it in their big shed in order for it to be washed and decorated for the parade.

Pete Kealey, John Janes and Dick Heshelman washed the truck and decorated it. More lights were added to the truck and to the bed of Davis' wrecker.

Thanks to Rotary Gardens for the use of their generator.



# Meet Your Fellow Kiwanian **John Janes**



I am the son of Marvin and Grace Janes, born on January 6, 1946 at Mercy Hospital. I am number 4 of 10 children. I have 6 brothers and 3 sisters.

I have lived in or around Janesville all my life except for 4 years of service in the U.S. Air Force during the Vietnam conflict. I was stationed at a support base in Aviano Italy.

I married Katherine Schimek on May 6, 1967 in Milwaukee, WI and we have 2 children, Joseph and Julie.

- Joe lives in Denton, TX and is married to Mariela. They have 1 daughter, Gabriela who is 5 ½.
- Julie lives in Wauwatosa and is married to Tim.

Bob Johnson asked me to join Kiwanis in 2008, the year I retired from Dean Foods after 38 years working at the Janesville and Rockford plants. I worked in the cottage cheese production department.

I was President of our Kiwanis Golden K from 2011-2012.

I am a jack of all trades. I am always willing to take on a new adventure, love to tinker on motors, build houses, trim and remove trees. I am handy at just about anything.

I volunteer at the House of Mercy, GIFTS Men's Shelter, St. John Vianney and Rotary Gardens (hanging lights in trees for the Christmas Light Show).

I love to play golf, watch a good football game and work outside in the fresh air.

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# Truck-On-Ice

# Sink the Truck & Save the Kids

# Can we sink it again? Yes We Can!!

We are the old, The decommissioned, The caring, The capable, The effective "  $The\ Janesville\ Golden\ K$  "

## We need your;

**1. <u>Time</u>** Please volunteer for the shifts at cooperating outlets.

**2.** <u>Talent</u> Selling the guesses and getting the money.

**3.** <u>Treasure</u> Please buy guesses as stocking stuffers for your

kids and grandkids.

# This fundraiser is a **WIN-WIN** endeavor.

## Kids win;

- 1) Shelter, clothing, supplies for homeless high school children
- 2) Scholarships, for Blackhawk Tech & U-Rock students
- 3) Guidance, for youth at Boys & Girls Club
- 4) Help, for Boys and Girl Scouts

## We win;

- 1) LOVE, for our community children
- 2) <u>JOY</u>, *of giving to others (charity)*
- 3) PEACE, of mind knowing that we are trying
- 4) PATIENCE, of doing fundraisers year after year
- 5) <u>KINDNESS</u>, The great purpose of the fundraiser
- 6) DECENCY, It is the right thing to do.
- 7) FAITHFULNESS, It is our fourteenth year
- 8) GENTLENESS, This is a noble endeavor
- 9) <u>SELF-CONTROL</u>, *Selling guesses instead of shopping*

#### **EDUCATIONAL MOMENT**

What has a body that everybody looks at, nobody wants, and has raised over \$140,000 for charity?

The answer will be in the Smoke Signal next month.

### **BOTTOM LINE SELL THE GUESSES, GET THE MONEY**

Glen Jablonka & Pete Kealey

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