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

PROGRAMS

Chair: **Luci Cramer**

Mar

07 SSM Health/St Mary's Hospital _____ **Angela Sullivan**
 14 History of Parker Pen _____ **Bob Douglas**
 21 Oak Park Place _____ **Betty Fischer**
 28 TBA

Apr

04 I-Plan Update, Telling our Story _____ **Luci & Dave P.**

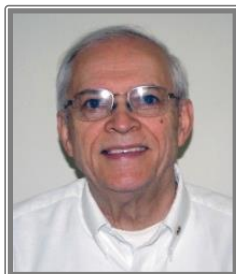
MARCH CLUB CALENDAR

07 _____ 9:30 **Club Meeting @ S.O.N.**
 _____ 2:00 **BINGO @ Rock Haven**
 12, 13 _____ **Blood Mobile @ Cargill Methodist**
 14 _____ 9:30 **Club Meeting @ S.O.N.**
 _____ 11:30 **TOI Removal @ Determine Winners**
 21 _____ 9:30 **Club Meeting @ S.O.N.**
 26 -> 30 _____ 11:00 **Meals on Wheels**
 28 _____ 8:30 **Board of Directors Meeting @ S.O.N.**
 _____ 9:30 **Club Meeting @ S.O.N.**
 31 _____ **Easter Lily Day @ Jvl. Locations**
 April 2 -> 6 _____ 11:00 **Meals on Wheels**

	GREETERS <i>(Chair: Lon Coppernoll)</i>	RAFFLE <i>(Chair: Bruce Pierson)</i>	DEVOTIONS <i>(Chair: Ed Timmer)</i>	SINGING <i>(Chair: Phil Selgren)</i>
Mar 07	<i>Tom Newmann Dick Fay</i>	<i>Maury Frey</i>	<i>Ed Timmer</i>	<i>Wayne Olson</i>
Mar 14	<i>Ed Timmer Marlen Moody</i>	<i>Lon Coppernoll</i>	<i>Lon Coppernoll</i>	<i>John Sarnow</i>
Mar 21	<i>Curt Larson Carl Cramer</i>	<i>Luci Cramer</i>	<i>Glen Jablonka</i>	<i>Phil Selgren</i>
Mar 28	<i>Curly Bold Dave Peterson</i>	<i>Glen Jablonka</i>	<i>Phil Selgren</i>	<i>Glen Jablonka</i>

From our PRESIDENT

Carl Cramer



Kiwanians, we are in a time of change. The month of March, with Spring arriving on the 20th, gives us opportunities to end and begin new projects. Congratulations to all club members on our successful Truck On Ice activity. I hope you know some of the 15 cash winners. It is impressive that we did so well this year with the TOI fund raiser. It funds many of our community improvement activities for youth.

We can look forward to Daylight Savings Time on March 11. Also, on the 12th and 13th, we have the opportunity to help in the Red Cross blood drive. Also, as a club, we will have a Nominating Committee to recommend candidates for the coming Kiwanis year. We will need a new Vice President and two Board of Directors. I encourage our newest members to consider these

positions of leadership. You will receive a lot of assistance in your office.

Lily Days are at the end of the month, Easter is April 1st. Our collections support Camp Wawbeek in Wisconsin Dells, for children with disabilities. All working together, we can make a significant difference for a better world.

Finally, we will be hearing soon about getting Out the News on the good things that we do in Kiwanis to support the community. New members are always welcome and needed for helping kids. Keep up the good work.

Red Cross Blood Drive
Cargill Methodist Church
 March 12th and 13th

John Janes

BOARD of DIRECTORS Meeting: 1/31/2018

Attendance:

President: Carl Cramer	Directors:
President Elect: David Thill	John Sarnow (Abs)
Vice President: David Kemp	Linda Servais
Treasurer: Will Reck	Luci Cramer
Secretary: Paul Neitzel	Robert Douglas
Past President: Richard Johnson	Jerry Burhans

Others Present: Pete Kealey Phil Selgren Dave Peterson

Call to Order: 8:30 a.m. by President Cramer

Secretary's Report:

Minutes, approved as printed in the Smoke Signal.

Treasurer's Report:

Will informed the board that all accounts are liquid and begin contributing money that we have budgeted for scholarships. There is \$1,000 in scholarships from 2016-2017 that haven't been claimed. That unclaimed amount will be removed from the liabilities column, making it available to the Service Account on the Balance Sheet. Will moved that the report be filed as submitted, seconded by Richard Johnson, approved.

Old Business:

Information on Community Foundation of Southern Wisconsin and/or the District (WI/UP) Kiwanis Foundation for club donations:

Carl Cramer informed the board of his conversation with Gary Smith from the Community Foundation. Discussion centered on what the club could possibly do with large donations to the club that are designed for the benefit of the club and to help more children. Some of the advantages of investing these donations with a foundation include a tax deduction and maximizing the donations through an investment vehicle that can generate interest. By spending just the interest earned through the foundation, the club would always have a source of funds in perpetuity. There was also discussion on whether we as a club should even consider being part of an endowment. It was decided that more information and discussion is needed before making any decisions.

Progress on Club By-Laws

Carl stated that we need to have at least two club meetings in March to go over the approved changes to the by-laws with the membership before submitting them to Kiwanis International for approval.

New Business:

March 21st Club Meeting:

At the meeting on the 21st of March, our guest speaker would like to supply the donuts. We normally pay \$3.00 per meeting which pays for the hall rental and coffee and sweet rolls. Carl said he would talk to Maury Frey to work out the details of supplying the donuts and payment to the Sons of Norway.

Mid Year Kiwanis Meetings:

There are two dates left for attending this years Kiwanis District Meetings:

- March 24th in Wisconsin Dells
- April 21st in Iron Mountain-Kingsford, MI.

The agenda will include details for the annual meeting in La Crosse, WI. held Aug. 24-26; the 100th anniversary for WI/UP District.

If anyone is interested in attending one of these meetings, please contact one of the board members for the necessary forms.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:08a.m.

Submitted by Secretary, Paul Neitzel

ROCK HAVEN NEWS Chair: Phil Selgren



BINGO on February 7th. We had four of our regular members available to help 21 residents at Rock Haven with their Bingo activity. Residents sure enjoy this activity and it is a rewarding experience.

Thank you for your support.

Linda Servais Luci Cramer
Phil Selgren Carl Cramer

HOPE INSTITUTE OF UGANDA: Ron Shuler

For the past three years Golden K has provided tuition for Timothy Muguwa, a current 5th grader at the Iganga Boys School in Uganda. The scholarship program was started here in Janesville as the Hope Institute of Uganda in 2008 and is a non-profit organization. 100% of the money that we give goes directly for the scholarship.

The Jinga Fair Trade store at the corner of N. Ringold St. and Mt. Zion Ave. is the headquarters for the Hope Institute of Uganda and they sell hand crafted items from Uganda. Their motto is "Changing Generations One Life at a Time".

You will have opportunities to contribute to Timothy's scholarship at our weekly meetings in March starting on the 14th. A full year's tuition is \$650.



The Edison Builders Club raised \$273.96 for the fight against leukemia in a recent penny wars activity.

Ron Shuler



Our Blackhawk Golden Kiwanis Club sponsors two elementary school K-Kids Clubs. The K-Kids Club of Lincoln Elementary School did a

super job in raising money to help a school in Anguilla, a small island in the Caribbean, that was severely damaged in Hurricane Irma. They sent \$1,344.73 to help replace educational supplies that were lost in the storm. The club did a fundraiser at Chipotle, held a Penny War at their school, and sold "Save Anguilla" bracelets.

This picture is the K-Kids Advisor making the presentation to the school principal in front of the Adrian T. Hazell Primary School. It may look like there was no damage, but I saw pictures of the roof gone and all the water damage inside.



Thank you to all who were able to support the Chipotle Fundraiser and to our club for sponsoring K-Kids.

Luci



Valentine Dinner

Twenty eight members and guests enjoyed a tasty Italian House buffet at our annual Valentine dinner.

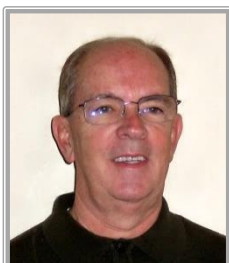
Magician Jerry Cox provided entertainment with a variety of his entertaining tricks.



February 13, 2018



Meet Your Fellow Kiwanian **Dave Peterson**



I joined the Blackhawk Golden I in October 2007, sponsored by Paul Will. Shortly after joining the club, I was able to help Don Eckert solve difficulties he was having as the editor of the newsletter and web site. After Don's passing, I am still enjoying the price of my compassion, as the Smoke Signal and web site have become a routine part of my life. As Paul sponsored my membership, I felt obligated to help him with the club's financial reviews and continued doing these reviews for two years after he was no longer able. I served a three year term as director from 2014-2016, and am presently the lonely member of the committees called Smoke Signal, Web Site, and Photographer.

I grew up in Rockford IL in a three generation household with one brother. Dad was a design engineer and mom a "domestic engineer". My pastimes included baseball, golf, and music (*accordion*). I was not that great at baseball, a little better at golf, and most successful as an accordionist. After graduating from Rockford East, I pursued an industrial engineering discipline at Rockford College and Iowa State.

Mary and I were a blind date at Iowa State and married in November 1962. We began our family in Rockford, where I was employed by a new division of Sundstrand Corporation. This division was in the development stage of hydrostatic transmissions for use in the lawn care and agricultural markets and within a year, moved to a new production facility in Peru, Illinois. While at this facility, we built our first home and I was blessed with the opportunity to enter the early phase of IBM mainframe computing for manufacturing environments and have been there ever since.

Our oldest daughter was born in Rockford and our second daughter was born while we lived in Peru. We moved to Janesville in 1969, to take advantage of a computer programming position at The Parker Pen Company. Shortly after joining Parker, I became registered as a certified computer professional (CCP) and managed development and support for computer information systems at Parker Pen, Sta-Rite Industries in Delavan, and Gilman Engineering and Manufacturing in Janesville until my retirement in 2002.

Both daughters are married to wonderful spouses and we have 2 married grandchildren living in Edgerton. Since retiring, I enjoy spending time golfing, biking, traveling, relaxing with my accordion, helping friends and family with computer issues, and working with our Kiwanis activities noted above. *Life is good* ☺