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"ONE CHILD AND ONE COMMUNITY AT A TIME"

PROGRAMS

<u>DECEMBER</u>

Chair: Luci Cramer

NO PROGRAMS IN DECEMBER

**JANUARY** 

TO BE ANNOUNCED

DECEMBER CLUB CALENDAR

### NO CLUB MEETINGS UNTIL JANUARY 13,2021

Dec.28\_Blood Drive-Pontiac Convention Center Dec.29\_Blood drive-Pontiac Convention Center

Nov.28—Dec. 04 \_\_\_\_Meals on Wheels

Dec.07 Dec. 11 Meals on Wheels
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DATE	GREETERS CHAIR: LON COPPERNOLL	RAFFLE CHAIR: Maury Frey	<b>DEVOTIONS</b> CHAIR: Ed Timmer	SERVERS CHAIR: Linda Bontly	SINGING CHAIR: Wayne Olson
					Singing
	No participants	Until	Further	Notice	is
					Not Yet
					Permitted

December: REFRESHMENTS January:

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

#### PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Fellow Members Greetings!

Most of you have heard we are suspending regular club meetings until Jan. 13th. No question many members are staying away from meetings due to Covid outbreak. We still get charged by Rotary \$120 per meeting so the board found it best to postpone meetings until we can get vaccinated (a long shot by mid January) or Wisconsin is no longer a hot spot. The board will be in contact with everyone as to resuming meetings so look for an email, a phone call or notice on our Facebook page or website. I appreciate your understanding.

On another subject the board voted to go ahead with this years Truck on Ice campaign. A huge shout out to John and Dave P and Dave T for making this happen. Watch for instructions on where to get your tickets, selling tickets and

bringing funds back to your captain. This is certainly a big change from other years but the board feels we can pull it off and make some money for the kids in the community.

Year End Appeal is in the mail and many thanks to Maury and Jerry for taking over for Bob Douglas as he recovers from a stroke. Please be generous!!

Wishing everyone a happy and safe Christmas. I know most of us are not traveling or having family over. It's a painful but necessary thing we all must do to stop this virus.

Happy Holidays !!!

Jom Neuman

President Blackhawk Golden K 608-751-4504 Cell neumann@ticon.net

**BOARD of DIRECTORS** Meeting: 11/25/2020

Call to Order: 8:00 a.m. by President Neuman

Attendance:

President: Tom Neumann Directors:
President Elect: Bruce Jorenby Don Anderson
Vice President: John Janes
Treasurer: Greg Turco Linda Servais
Secretary: Paul Neitzel Gregg Dickinson

Past President: David Kemp

Others Present: Lonnie Coppernoll Maury Frey

Richard Johnson Dave Peterson
Darlene Johnson Jerry Langdok

Dave Thill

#### Secretary's Report

Paul reported that the invoice for membership dues was received and given to Greg Turco for payment. The payment sent to Kiwanis International was for \$5,354.

#### Treasurer's Report

Greg reported that our Service account is still very liquid at \$22,041 but our administrative account is down considerably. After payment of dues, joker pool (\$1,000), 2 months rent(\$747), and masks (\$288), we now have \$1,874 remaining. Greg voiced a concern about losing money each week because we are not taking in enough money at each meeting to cover the cost of donuts, coffee, juice and rent. With fewer members in the club and fewer attending, we are losing about \$30 per meeting. We may have to consider raising the weekly fee by a dollar at some point in the near future.

#### .---- OLD BUSINESS -----

#### **Bylaws and Club Policies**

Linda Bontly stated that the policies are in the process of being reworded and updated and will present these changes at our next Board meeting.

#### Year End Appeal

Maury Frey informed the Board that the Appeal Letter was sent out with a return envelope and instructions for returning donations.

#### .---- NEW BUSINESS -----

#### Club meetings

After discussing whether or not to continue club meetings during this health crisis, the Board decided to temporarily discontinue meeting until Jan. 13th, 2021. This date is tentative and will be re-evaluated during a Board meeting to determine when we will meet again. The Board voted to go ahead with the Truck on Ice fundraiser and the Board will discuss the details of distribution of tickets, collection of \_money and promotional aspects of this project during the Zoom meeting. The T.O.I. kick-off is Dec. 9th. Between the Smoke Signal, Facebook page and mailings, we will attempt to keep members informed of the T.O.I. status.

#### **Salvation Army**

Linda made a motion that the club should donate \$500 in lieu of not being able to do the bell ringing this year to the Salvation Army and was seconded by Tom Neumann and approved.

#### Gift Cards

Maury made a motion to donate four \$30 gift cards to the staff of RotaryGardens for all that they do for us as a thank you to them. The motion to donate \$120 was seconded by Tom Neumann and was approved.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

Submitted by Secretary, Paul Neitzel

#### **Craig Closet Update**

Just wanted to give you all the final results on the CRAIG CLOSET CHRISTMAS CARES CAMPAIGN.

We made Christmas a little brighter for 13 needy students this year.

We were also able to give them a check for \$450 to buy bus tokens, school supplies and other needed items. Thanks to all of you for your generous donations. I hope you enjoyed hearing from some of the students and their situations. I will share their thanks you notes with you sometime in Jan/Feb. Stay safe & well & thanks again.

Jerry & Vicki Langdok

#### Year End Appeal

Once again, we are having a year end appeal for donations. This year it is very important and we need your help. We have had all, of our fund raising projects cancelled due to covid this year. In addition the club paid your \$120 annual dues. You might want to keep that in mind as you decide how much to donate. As a result our finances are low and we need a "jump start".

You should have recently received a letter in the mail about this appeal. Donations can be made or given to us

Thanks for your help!

Jerry Langdok Maury Frey

#### Upcoming Meals on Wheels

Nov. 28—Dec.04 Dec. 07—Dec. 11

#### **December Birthdays**

Dec 05	
Dec. 06	Ed Ťimmer
Dec. 15	Bruce Piersom
Dec. 20	Curt Larson
Dec. 26	
Dec. 31	Curlý Bold

#### **Blood Drive**

There is a blood drive on Dec.28 and 29 at the Pontiac Convention Center. Help is needed. If you can pitch in call or text John Janes at 608-756-0466.

#### From the Editor

This edition of the "Smoke Signal" will not be physically printed but will only be available on-line, (kiwanisblackhawk.com) as will all editions until further notice.

If you have any items, of interest, in the club personal or otherwise, that you would like the others in the club to know forward them to me.(bpierson@charter.net or 608-346-0890.)

Reverse spin dancing in the rain

Paradox foreign aid

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# Truck on Ice - 2021



With COVID-19 still running rampant, the Truck on Ice campaign this year will not be like ones we have experienced, but more like the first campaign our club created back in the winter of 2003-2004. In that first year, members were the base for ticket sales, where they made sales to family, friends and interested parties. From that base, Bob Johnson and Pete Kealey helped expand interest to the public, fueled by regular Gazette articles telling of the creation of the truck, the purpose, challenges, and goals for creating the campaign. They explored ways to directly sell to the public, resulting in what we call card table sales today.



This year, our campaign will resemble much of that first year. Missing will be the presence of our card table sales to the public, meaning we also do not have the challenge of securing outlet locations, signup sheets, transporting the truck between a variety of locations. Plus, we are not encumbered with guidelines involving masks, sanitizing, and social distancing conversation with strangers.

#### Key Dates for our campaign this year

#### Dec. 05 2020, Jolly Jingle Reverse Parade

We announce the campaign and keep our signature project visible to the public

#### Dec. 09 2020, Kick-Off

Get the material in the hands of captains and members, review the overall campaign, and introduce the latest procedures and social media involvement.

#### Feb. 13 2021, Last Sales Date

All sales (Tickets and Money) must be received and recorded.

#### We will have:

#### Captain Teams (Dave Peterson, Lead)

With assigned Captain/Member teams, operating without in-person club meetings. Captains will be working closely with assigned members to collect, record, and deliver team sales to bankers using a procedure that is still being refined at the time of this publication.

### Bankers (Lon Coppernoll, Lead)

Available to collect sales from Team Captains at a location and time that is still being determined at the time of this publication.

#### The Truck (John Janes, Lead)

Will be in the Jolly Jingle parade, and at a permanent location for public display. John will coordinate all correspondence with the city and Davis Citgo for on and off the ice approvals.

#### What is new?

#### Prize Money

TOI Grand Prize has been reduced from \$3,000 to \$2,000

#### **Publicity**

#### Standard Media (Glenn Disrude, Lead)

Gazette, WCLO, WJVL, and WSJY will be refined to align with the changes this year, and the most effective time to get the community involved.

#### Social Media (Greg Turco, Lead)

Greg has offered to develop a trial means of offering direct sales to the public as an alternative to our loss of card table sales.

#### Dental Sponsorship

Janesville Pediatric Dental Care is a new sponsor that will have their advertising displayed on posters that will be attached to the truck.

#### Macs Pizza

The coupon on the tickets has been updated and the discount has been increased from \$1.00 Buffet to \$5.00 for Eat-In, Carry Out, or Delivery.

Truck on Ice Committee