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It seems like only a few months since I started as your President but here it is, the ninth month of this Kiwanis year. The best part of the past eight months has been working with you on club service and funding projects that greatly benefit our community. As I labored with many of you at the Pancake Breakfast I noticed a few things that might not be noticed by some, especially newer members:

1. The number of family members and friends that volunteer for our projects.
2. The number of members who may not be able to make our weekly meetings but always show up to help with our projects.
3. The number of non-members who volunteer for our projects (Santa Pictures and Pancake Breakfast are two that come to mind) which confirms to me how favorably Kiwanis is thought of in our community.

So, thinking of our service to the community, I'd like to share the following quotes and poem on Volunteerism:

*Here's to all volunteers, those dedicated people who believe in all work and no pay. ~Robert Orben

*Volunteers are paid in six figures... S-M-I-L-E-S. ~Gayla LeMaire

*Those who can, do. Those who can do more, volunteer. ~Author Unknown

*Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless. ~Sherry Anderson

*It's easy to make a buck. It's a lot tougher to make a difference. ~Tom Brokaw

*The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intention. ~Oscar Wilde

*How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world. ~Anne Frank

*The purpose of life is not to be happy - but to matter, to be productive, to be useful, to have it make some difference that you have lived at all. ~Leo Rosten

*The true meaning of life is to plant trees, under whose shade you do not expect to sit. ~Nelson Henderson

*Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in. ~Author Unknown

Valuable is the work you do
Outstanding is how you always come through
Loyal, sincere and full of good cheer
Untiring in your efforts throughout the year
Notable are the contributions you make
Trustworthy in every project you take
Eager to reach your every goal
Effective in the way you fulfill your role
Ready with a smile like a shining star,
Special & wonderful, that's what you are

Dennis Wilson, President 2011-2012
"We make a living by what we get;
we make a life by what we give."



Linda DeFosse and Mary Delzell



Natasha Long and Jerry and Lynn Parks



Jim Baker and Warren Schultz



Carol Broakaw and a Steelers Fan!



Above: Kay Breuer and Larry Turley

Below: Bob Prall and Jon Hart



Bob Reid and John Dodge



Jim Corder and Great Grandson



Above Dan Weidemeier and Jim O'Neill

Right: Mike Norris and Dana Johnston



Tom Pilcher, Brandon Kipp and Jim Sleister



Dave Vavroch





***Kiwanis Night Out
Hollywood Squares Fun!***



***Save the
Date***

*Kiwanis Family
Outing*

*Thursday,
August 9th*

Burlington Bees



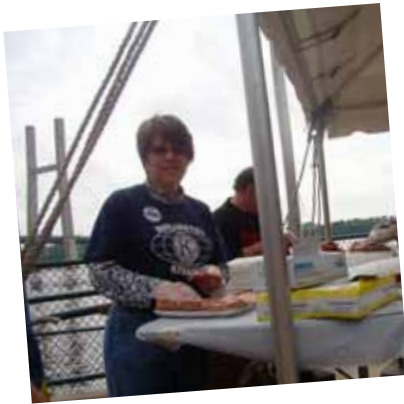
*Lois Blythe and
Jim Corder receive
the Mayor's Lifetime
Achievement Awards.*

So, Why Are YOU a Member?

My daughters and I moved to Burlington in October of 1988, after I had been offered a library managerial position. I was encouraged by the Administrative Librarian, Kay Weiss (a Rotarian) to look into becoming a Kiwanian. She thought it would be good for the library to have a presence within the organization and being new to the community a way for me to meet people. Rocky Roxlau invited me to a meeting and became my sponsor and the rest is history.



I was inducted into the club (the fifth woman inductee) in May of 1989, which for some women might have been a bit intimidating, but I fit right in having been raised with five older brothers. The men in the club shifted gears, not always gracefully, but it was a major change for their organization to admit women. I can remember plopping myself down at each meeting at a different table to introduce myself to the "good ol' boys". I was young then so they were old. I indoctrinated them quite well, not only was I a woman, but single with two little people. Then I married and had a baby (he's 19 now) whom I brought to Kiwanis with me in a car seat. I think it helped pave the way for other professional working parents to become involved. I myself think the club is much stronger as a result of men and women coming together for a common purpose-to make our community a better place for everyone.



My Dad always told me it was important to become part of the community that you live in and I have strived to do that. Kiwanis is more than an organization it is a large extended family to my family. My family and I have been blessed by being part of an extended family of people dedicated to making the lives of others better and an added benefit is that our lives have been forever changed too. Kiwanis is a way of life-- a way of making a difference.

Lois J. Blythe

Your Board of Directors

Your Board of Directors approved the following funding requests at the May board meetings:

- \$500 to Community Action to purchase new cribs for their Early Head Start classrooms. A friendly competition was issued to other service clubs in the community to match our commitment.
- Sue Cohoon and 3 Key Club members will be attending the Key Club International Convention this summer, with our club paying for a third of their expenses. What a great opportunity for these students!

Please welcome Captain Jeff Russell and Sarah Schwartz to our club! They were inducted as new members on May 17 - we are happy to have them join us!

Submitted by
Michelle Randall,
Vice President



Programs

Arranged by Gary Young

June 7, Kay Weiss, Des Moines County Historical Society, Current Exhibits
June 14, Elizabeth Sanning, BHS Science Research Class, Science Fair Projects
June 21, Dr. Dave Camp and Mr. Rodney Botts, Southeast Iowa Air Show
June 28, Commandant Patrick Mackey, Dr. Todd Lange and John Brown, Des Moines County All Veterans Memorial Project

Invocations

Arranged by
Bruce Widbin



To Be Announced
at Meeting



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5 Board Meeting 5 pm, The Drake	6	7 Kiwanis Meeting Noon, Comfort Suites DMC Historical Society	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 Kiwanis Meeting Noon, Comfort Suites BHS Science Projects	15	16
17	18	19 Board Meeting 12 pm, The Drake	20	21 Kiwanis Meeting Noon, Comfort Suites SE Iowa Air Show	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 Kiwanis Meeting Noon, Comfort Suites All Veterans Memorial	29	30