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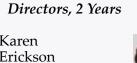
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#### Dear Fellow Kiwanians,

We asked and you told us. Through our member survey back in April/ May, we asked you what you thought our club needed to improve upon. You'll see some of those changes in the next few months as well as into next year.

One thing that was mentioned is that some of you are concerned that our new members may not realize the "job description" of our Sgt. At Arms. We will be adding to our new member orientation information on the role that this important person plays in our club's fun-filled approach. We'll also be using some of the SAA's time to get to know our newest members a little bit more – it should be fun learning all about them!

Also, your Board of Directors would like to see one meeting every other month dedicated to club business. Things like more member appreciation, more committee sharing and information on upcoming events could be highlighted. We hope that this focus on increasing communication and appreciation will be welcomed by you. This change will begin in October, as programs for the rest of this program year have already been established.

There was a comment about the format of the health report/prayer request being part of the invocation. If you have a prayer request or have information on the health of a member, please let either myself know or the person doing the invocation for that week's meeting. This is usually listed in the monthly newsletter, or at least the organizer of that month's invocations is listed in the newsletter. Or, you could contact Craig Smith, who is our Spiritual Aims/Invocations Committee chair. He will pass it on to the appropriate person.

Yours In Kiwanis Service, Michelle Randall

### **Programs Arranged by Sam Larson**

11 - Russ Fry, Photographs of Burlington



18 - Col. Mark Deschnes, U.S. Corps of Engineers, Rock Island, Illinois

25 - XPO Brian Cross, Executive Petty Officer, U.S. Coast Guard, Keokuk, Iowa

### **Kiwanis Family Outing**



We have combined the Family Picnic and Sports Day this year! Kiwanis will provide your game ticket, sandwich, chips, and a drink. Kids Activities include a Bounce House, Speed Pitch, and we will have time for autographs with the players!!

When: Thursday, August 1st (No Noon Meeting)

Where: Burlington Bees Park 2714 Mt. Pleasant Street

*Time: 5:30 PM gates open 6:30 PM game starts* 

RSVP required, sign up at meeting



### We Congratulate Our Centurions!

A Centurion is a member whose age plus years in Kiwanis equals 100 or more. We welcome Dennis Wilson to this group for the first time this year! At our June 6 meeting, we celebrated our Centurions:

Jim Baker Jim Corder Ralph Cushman Bob Engberg Richard Goughnour Bud Hart Ed Larson Ben Lundell Al Lunning Tom O'Keefe Larry Paule Philip Paule Tom Rexroth Rocky Roxlau Ruth Ann Sandrock Warren Schultz Charles Siekman Larry Turley Charles Walsh Richard Weiss Dan Wiedemeier Dave Wiemer Dennis Wilson

## Super Crayons

Super Crayons can help brighten the day of a child who is sick, hospitalized or suffering. You can help by bringing to a Kiwanis meeting any old or broken crayons that you or your grandchildren are no longer using. They will be melted and then molded into larger crayons that are more suited for children who cannot hold or effectively use standard sized crayons. They will be molded into a variety of shapes, such as butterflies, dinosaurs and footballs.



#### *Giddy up and Git a long little doggies! Santa Claus is Coming to Town.*

The Kiwanis Club of Burlington and the Burlington Bees are hosting an evening of family fun on *Friday, July 19* at Community Field. The Burlington Bees Baseball Club is providing free entrance tickets to over 450 kids, young and old. The Salvation Army and Community Action of Southeast Iowa will disperse the tickets to families within their service areas.

The ballpark will be decorated for Christmas complete with a tree. Santa's coming all the way from sunny San Antonio, Texas, dressed in typical cowboy garb. Santa's reindeer are taking a



much needed rest at the North Pole so Santa has to find a ride to the ballpark. While in Texas he's been brushing up on his ridin' skills so expect some mighty fine ridin'.

All children 12 and under who come to the ballpark will be treated to a picture with Santa and make a Spin Art project. Kids who bring an item to donate for the local food pantry will be entered into prize drawings which are held throughout the evening.



Above, the winner of the Bike in 2012.

Santa and his "sleigh" to the right.

#### *Club Financial Review*

A BIG thank you to Christine Stensland, John Bentler and Bob Prall! These three individuals poured over the financial records of both the Activities Corporation and the Club Account. To our knowledge, our club accounts have never had an audit or financial review. If you would like copy of their full report, please let either myself or one of them know. Volunteers are needed to give out tickets for Santa Pictures and Spin Art at the gate beginning at 5:30 p.m., collect donated food items, and to work at the prize table. Please contact Dara Henneke or Lois Blythe if you can help in any way.



Here is the conclusion of their review:

The financial records of both Boards are well documented. Financial reports tie to the bank statements and investments. Findings were minor and immaterial, but there is ample opportunity for financial misconduct outside of the office of Treasurer. The most risk of misappropriation occurs prior to the handling of funds by the Treasurer. We have identified some internal control weaknesses that are beyond the control of the Treasurer. Several recommendations

### *P a n c a k e Ticket Sales*

Ticket Revenue = \$23,974. This is a 3% increase from last year.

Our Non-member sales (Sales Outlets and Ticket Partners) were 878, which was a 25% decrease from last year.

Our members sold 2,213 tickets which was a 5% decrease from last year.

The total advance sales of 2,577 tickets was down 8% from last year.

At Door sales of 514 was a 26% decrease from 2012. The weather certainly did not help our at door sales, nor the numbers served (2,614 from 3,133, a 17% decline).

could strengthen internal control. Several recommendations have been made to provide better protection for the Treasurer. In the end, the Boards will need to decide the exposure risk and determine if changes, especially in the handling of cash, are warranted.

The boards of the Club and the Activities Corp will meet on July 2 and try to correct the recommendations that were addressed in the review. Thanks again to everyone involved in the process of making our club's financial procedures even better.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Planning Session 5:00 pm The Drake	3	4 Independence Day No Kiwanis Meeting	5	6
7	8	9	10	Birthday Table Kiwanis Meeting Noon, Comfort Suites Photographs of Burlington	12	13
14	15	16 Board Meeting 12 pm, The Drake	17	18 Kiwanis Meeting Noon, Comfort Suites U.S. Corps of Engineers	19	20
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28	29	30	31			