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Dear Fellow Kiwanians,

April brings the first full month of spring and countless April Fool's pranks on April 1st (at least if you have been in the education field or have children!).

Have you ever been on the receiving end of an April's Fool prank? Have you been the instigator of an April Fool's prank? Have any ever backfired on you? Take a moment to dust off a few cobwebs in your memory bank. A few good laughs can be good medicine!!

March brought another successful Shamrock Shuffle. Co-chairs Melissa Jones and Dominique Palermini with their core committee did a fantastic job of organizing the event. Many thanks to the club members and community members who volunteered to help make this event successful.

April 1st brings the start of the implementation of the procedures relating to when a member is considered to be a member not in good standing. Remember the intent of these procedures is to implement good business practice in collecting dues and fees. Being a realist I recognize that some members who are more than two months in arrears may elect to leave the club. It makes it even more important to invite guests and then encourage them to become members.

Co-chairs Dennis Wilson and George Rinker are busy with their committee planning and organizing things so we can have another successful Pancake Breakfast on Memorial Day Weekend. Let's work hard to sell more tickets as individual members and as a club than we did last year.

April 9th finds us hosting a mega-club inner club at our regular meeting. Patrick Stout, the District 19 Lieutenant Governor, will be the speaker for that day.

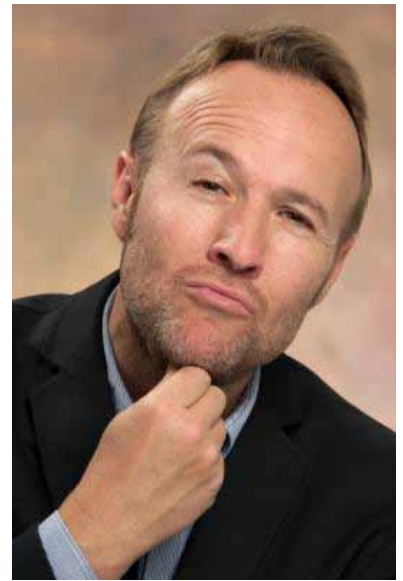
There will be no general meeting on April 16th as the club will have its Kiwanis Night Out on April 18th. There will be a Round Table at noon on April 16th. Kiwanis Night Out will feature comedian Scott Long. It should be a great opportunity for us to bring our spouse or significant other and enjoy the company our fellow club members and their spouses or significant others.

On April 16th we are scheduled to do a service project preparing meals for the Kids Against Hunger Program. More information on this later.

In late April and early May we will conduct a membership drive based on the Rich Goughenour model that he used when he was President. Nearly 50 new members were added that year. We realize that was in a different era but it is worth trying it again. More information later.

Sincerely, Jim Sleister 2014-2015 Kiwanis President

KIWANIS NIGHT OUT!!
SATURDAY, APRIL 18TH
COMFORT SUITES
6 PM SOCIAL HOUR
7 PM DINNER
8 PM ENTERTAINMENT



Kiwanis Night Out is offering you a giggle and a smirk.....maybe even a guffaw or a bellow. Please join us for an evening of good food, great friends, and lots of laughter as Comedian Scott Long entertains us!

Kiwanis Night Out is a special occasion to show appreciation and gratitude to our members for their hard work raising funds and participating in our many activities throughout the year. There is no charge for Kiwanis members but spouses and guests are \$25.

Dinner includes Filet Mignon and Stuffed Chicken Breast, Spring Mix Salad, Vegetable Risotto and a Black Forest Chocolate Parfait for dessert!

RSVP by April 10 at a club meeting or email Craig Smith, craig@sterzingchips.com

Kiwanis In The 1950's

During the 1950s the number of Kiwanis clubs and the number of Kiwanians in the United States continued to increase. Kiwanis International was outgrowing its headquarters again. In the late fall of 1957 a ground breaking ceremonies was held for a new headquarters just west of North Michigan Avenue. In October of 1959 the dedication of the new Kiwanis International Building was held. This would be home for KI for the next 22 years. The Kiwanis Clubs continued to sponsor the same type of activities as they had in previous decades. Kiwanians in Detroit took 17,860 children to the Joe Prance Day Camp. Other clubs engaged in similar activities. Our local Kiwanis Club sold the Kiwanis Pool Complex to the City of Burlington. The City fixed the facility up and continued to use it for public swimming. In 1958 the club started the Travel and Adventure Fund raiser. We know it today as Travelouge.



Board of Directors Meetings

Your Kiwanis Board of Directors voted to approve the membership of Dennis Imler. We are happy to have Dennis a member of our club once again. Please welcome Dennis!

There were no funding requests at the past board meeting.

It's Pancake Time!

Your Pancake Committee is ready to kick off our 27th Pancake Breakfast effort at our April 9th meeting. Last year our club bottom line was just under \$27,000 but this year we've set a goal of over \$30,000 with the addition of a new sponsorship program (similar to the very successful Lion's Club Oktoberfest sponsorship program they've used for 15 years). Below is a portion of a flyer we'll hand out with the tickets to our membership for your use in selling these sponsorships.

Your Co-Chairman: George Rinker & Dennis Wilson



New This Year...Corporate Sponsorships

The Burlington Iowa Kiwanis Club is the largest and oldest community volunteer service organization in the Burlington area. As Kiwanis Members, we are dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time.

Each year our club participates in fund raising events supporting over 23 local youth oriented programs such as, After School Program, Coats for Kids, Dictionary/Thesaurus Project, School Nurse Aid program. In 2014, we contributed over \$35,500 to these programs.

The Annual Memorial Day Weekend Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast is our largest fund raising event that we have been conducting for 27 years. The success of the event is due to the thousands of folks to attend each year to get a great breakfast and have an opportunity to greet old friends.

We are asking for your financial support to help us continue our assistance to these groups who need our help. The support is in the form of sponsorships. The sponsorship categories are as follows. Each sponsor will be given the specified number of tickets to be used at this year's Pancake Breakfast. We would like to thank you for your consideration to help us and we hope to see you at this year's breakfast event on May 23rd.

Copper Level \$150.00 - includes 2 tickets Bronze Level \$400.00 - includes 6 tickets
Silver Level \$500.00 - includes 8 tickets Gold Level \$700.00 - includes 10 tickets
Platinum Level \$1,000.00 - Includes 14 tickets

Interested sponsors should fill out the form in their packet or contact George Rinker with the following information of the sponsor: Sponsor Name, Contact Person, Phone, Email, Address and Payment or Invoice Request.

Return to George Rinker, fax 753-6929 or email grinker@deerybrothers.com Deadline May 4 for poster, May 11 for Newspaper or May 18 for event recognition.

After School Program Update

Below is a report from the Stone After School Program that supports the continued success of our funding and efforts. Look at the dramatic differences from year to year.

3rd Quarter Data	13-14 School Year	14-15 School Year	Difference	Percentage
Number of Failing Grades (All Classes)	230	173	-57	-25%
Number of Failing Grades (All Classes)	181	100	-81	-45%
Number of assignments missing at end of the quarter	2316	1693	-623	-27%

Mark Your Calendar...

2 - Annual Meeting

9 - Mega Inner Club, Birthday Table

16 - No General Meeting

16 - Round Table at Peaches, 12 PM

18 - Kiwanis Night Out, 6 PM

21 - Board Meeting, 5:30 @ The Drake

23 - Steve VanZant, CNH

30 - Happy Birthday Burlington

Kiwanis! Celebrating 92 Years!

30 - Doug Beard, Burlington Chief of Police

Programs arranged Jon Hart



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