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Fellow Kiwanians,

It is with this Newsletter that I begin the 2nd half of my term. How time has flown. In my eyes the year has progressed well and I hope you see it that way too. In March, we completed the Shamrock Shuffle. What a roaring success. In our third year with this project we had our best year ever. The event drew the most participants ever AND raised the largest sum of money ever for our Club to put to use serving the children of our community and beyond. If you haven't, you should reach out and thank the committee members on this fund raising project. Melissa Jones, Brent Hartley, Jeff Strause, Michelle Randall, Tom Jones, Jason Strandberg, Kay Sackville-Breuer, Tom Jones, Mike Norris, Phil Young and Kim Taeger - all deserve a ton of credit for making this event what it has become. From myself to all who helped (and sorry if I missed a name or two), a great big Thank You. This event is actually generating a bit of fun competition with the Pancake Breakfast as our biggest fund raiser.

Next up is our Kiwanis Night Out. I hope to see all of you the evening of April 23rd, at the Comfort Suites for our evening with Dueling Pianos. We plan to have a great event with not only our Club, but with members of some of your neighboring Clubs as well.

Just around the corner at the end of May is the Pancake Breakfast. The Pancake Committee is meeting to plan this event as I am typing this. Jeff Strause and George Rinker are heading up this project for us this year. This event requires a fair amount of planning, but it requires even more volunteer help the day before and the day of the event. Mark your calendar. We will need your assistance on Friday late afternoon, May 27th and on Saturday morning, May 28th. When the sign-up sheets are put out at our Thursday meetings, sign up early and sign up often. Don't be afraid to work more than one shift.

Over the next month or two, your Nominations Committee will also be getting together to find officers and directors to serve our Club. If you have a desire to fill a spot on the Board of Directors or would like to be an officer of the club, please reach out to Melissa Jones or myself. On the other hand, if we reach out to you, I hope you will give it some thought...and then say YES!

This Club is once again on track to raise over \$50,000 during our calendar year. WOW. As I look back at the last 6 months and forward to the next 6 months, I can say I am almost always amazed at the efforts of our members. Don't rest on your laurels and keep up the good work.

It is really an honor to serve as the President of this Club.

With honor and thanks. Jon Hart, Club President



Shamrock Shuffle a HUGE Success!

***Thank You
to All!***



***1,173 Participants
120 Volunteers
Proceeds \$24,400
March 11, 2017***

Board of Directors Meeting

Please welcome Mary Weinand and Kevin Dameron, Jr. to our Kiwanis Club! Mary is very familiar with our club, as she was a former member. Please introduce yourselves to Mary and Kevin and help them feel part of the best service club in the area!

Funding Requests were granted to:

- \$300 to the local 1 Touch Project to better serve people who are sight impaired.

- \$275 to sponsor a Burlington Little League team during the 2016 season
- \$700 to Burlington Steamboat to help sponsor Kids' Day and provide 250 bike helmets to children who participate in the bike rodeo
- \$250 to Team Beast's Beaster Bunny 5K for kids

Michelle Randall, Club Secretary

Pancake Breakfast

May 28, 6:30 AM



Kiwanis Night Out



Dueling Pianos

Saturday, April 23, 2016

Comfort Suites, Burlington, IA

Social time 5-6:30 pm

Dinner 6:30-7:30 pm

Entertainment 7:30-9 pm

RSVP by April 15 to ljblythe@gmail.com

\$30 per/guest

Checks payable to Burlington Kiwanis Club

Mark Your Calendar...

7 - Congressman Dave Loebsack

14 - Des Moines County Board of Supervisors, Tom Broeker

19 - Board Meeting, 5:30 pm @ The Drake

21 - No Meeting, Roundtable at Peaches

23 - Kiwanis Night Out, Comfort Suites

5 PM Social Hour

6:30 PM Dinner

7:30 PM Dueling Pianos

28 - Capitol Theater, Jerry Johnson

Programs arranged by Jerry Parks



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