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My fellow Kiwanians,

It is not often that I am at a loss for words. When I was asked by our nomination committee to join the clubs leadership was one such time. Today is another. I am extremely thankful for the trust and confidence you have placed in me to serve as your 2017-2018 club president.

As with so many of our previous outgoing presidents, Melissa did an outstanding job of leading our club. She is so passionate about seeing our club grow by injecting sunshine and fun. I think you will agree that she was flawless (save for one item involving a baseball game...) I appreciate the focus Melissa placed on having fun and keeping things light. To keep momentum rolling we will have 2 meetings designated as Fun Committee days this year.

Join me in welcoming Chuck Brockett and Dave Schmitt as your new board members. We have some great dialogue at our meetings and invite anyone from the club to join us the 3rd Tuesday of each month. I also thank Brent Hartley and Cassie Gerst for stepping into leadership roles under short notice this year. Our club has a bright future.

This year I would like to celebrate our individuality. We all have different experiences and stories to tell. There are also great stories all around us if you are open to hearing them. Some of you will be called upon to share some of those stories with the club this year. I hope you will consider. At our numerous events and projects throughout the year open your minds and hearts to the stories being told around you. That is food for the soul. Energy we all need to continue to serve the children of the world.

Life is so rich!
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SAVE THE DATE!

There's lots going on in Kiwanis in October,
November and December. You won't want to miss
out!

Veteran's Day Celebration Thursday, November 9

Feather Party (aka BINGO to win Turkeys)
Thursday, November 16



Coats for Kids Collection
Thursday in December at
Club Meeting

Shopping Spree for Children in Need Saturday, December 2 6:30 - 8:15 am, Target

Ding A Lings (Ringing the Salvation Army Bells) Date TBA

Holiday Celebration and Kiwanis Singers December 21 Club Meeting

Kids Day
December 28
Club Meeting



Board of Directors Update

Your Board of Directors approved the following funding requests at the September meeting:

- \$300 to provide self-defense training for individuals with sight impairments to allow them to be more self-sufficient
- · Up to \$1800 to buy a book for every PreK-5th grade student at Mediapolis Elementary School through the "Change A Child's Story" initiative
- · \$500 to the Kiwanis Neuroscience Research Foundation (formerly known as Spastics Paralysis Research Foundation)

Respectfully Submitted, Michelle Randall, Secretary

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Le Roy Award

In 2003, our club introduced a recognition award that mirrors and measures everything good as exemplified by its name and the person it emulates.

This award has been given to a select few who go beyond the mediocre and commonplace. This award is a simple acknowledgement, but the person it symbolizes was far from simple.



This award is referred to as the "Le Roy" in honor of one of the many heroes in this Kiwanis Club. Mr. Le Roy Pease, was a true gentleman and a man of distinction in our club, our schools and all over town.

Le Roy was a man that earned respect by all. A man with vision and purpose and a man that represented all that is good. He gave freely and expected little in return. This award recognizes quality and excellence in Kiwanis work over the years. Le Roy Pease was a true Kiwanian story. The 2016-2017 recipient of the Le Roy was awarded to a very deserving individual in late September.



Rocky Roxlau is a Burlington native, with his real name being Paul, but not many people call him that! Rocky and his wife, Phyliss, have two sons. At the age of 13, Rocky started working at Olivia's Bowling Alley on Main Street as a pinboy. He never looked back! He started working at Bowl Inn Lanes on Madison Avenue when he was 14 and remained there until he retired.

Rocky purchased Bowl Inn in 1980 and Roosevelt Lanes in 1983. He became active in the state and national Bowling Proprietors Association and received two Lifetime Achievement Awards from the Bowling Proprietors Associations. He is also a member of the Burlington Bowling Hall of Fame. During the late sixties, Rocky started teaching bowling in the elementary schools and then brought them to the lanes to continue learning about bowling.

Rocky has been a member of Kiwanis since 1976 and was President in 1987-88. Rocky is known best as our greeter at the registration table each week, always a friendly smile as we join in for the weekly meeting. Rocky says, "Kiwanis is my weekly therapy and it is the best that you can get!" Rocky has always loved being involved in Kiwanis.

Congratulations to Rocky Roxlau as the 2016-2017 Le Roy Award Recipient.



Past Recipients of the Leroy Award

> 2003-2004 Bob Prall

2004-2005 Dave Vavroch, Wyman Weinbeck, Gene Van Dewoestyne, Bob Reid

2005-2006 Ruth Ann Sandrock, Dan Weidemeier

> 2006-2007 Ed Larson, Cliff Calhoun

2007-2008 Jim Garnjobst, Phil Bartleson

2008-2009 Tom Cameron

2009-2010 Jim Corder

2010-2011 Lois Blythe

2011-2012 Jerry Parks

2012-2013 Bob Engberg

2013-2014 Sharon Graham

> 2014-2015 Craig Smith

2015-2016 Kay Sackville Breuer Richard Goughnor Rod Bell

Mark Your Calendar...

5 – Installations of Officers and President 19 – To be announced at meeting

12 – Minister's Day and Birthday Table 26 - Leopold Landscape Alliance, Steve

12 – The Hawk Eye, Ellis Smith Brower

17 – Board Meeting, 12 pm @ Bees Stadium Programs arranged by Dave Wiemer



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